

MONTAUK LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



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Ireland'98 Raffle

WIN A TRIP TO IRELAND FOR FOUR PERSONS

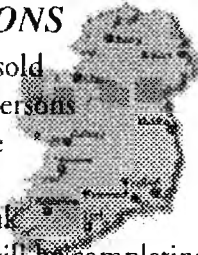
There will be only 650 tickets sold for a fabulous trip to Ireland for four persons to be raffled on August 16, 1998 at the Montauk Library.

This raffle benefits the Montauk Library Building Fund. This year we will be completing the Meeting Room - and moving on to finish the mezzanine before the turn of the century.

The prize for four persons includes:

- Round trip limo from Montauk to JFK
- Round trip wide-body flight to Ireland
- Round trip transfers between airports, rail stations and hotels.
- Two nights in the deluxe Dromoland Castle
- One night in the deluxe Ashford Castle
- Three nights in the deluxe Burlington Hotel in Dublin
- Daily Irish breakfast
- Welcome Medieval dinner at Bunratty Castle
- A City Sightseeing Tour of Dublin
- First class rail between Limerick and Dublin
- Farewell Dinner at the Abbey Tavern
- PLUS \$1,000 cash spending money

Each chance to win this Trip to Ireland for Four costs \$100. Applications for rickets must be filled out and returned to the Montauk Library/Trip to Ireland'98.



BUDGET VOTE

Saturday, April 25, 1998
at the Montauk Library
2 p.m. - 8 p.m.



The Board of Trustees asks you to approve a budget of \$268,885 for the year 1998-99, of which \$259,420 will be from tax revenues, and \$9,465 from fees, fines, etc.

See the next page for more details.

TRUSTEE ELECTION

Barbara Borth, one of the original trustees, is running for a new 5 year term. Barbara has served as Secretary of the Board of Trustees for 18 years. She has headed many committees and currently is organizing the Archival Room for the Library.

Robert Silverstone, who served as President of Friends of the Montauk Library for several years, and has served as a trustee since 1996. Bob heads the Technology Committee for the Library. Bob is running for a five year term.

James Sullivan is running to fill the unexpired term of Irene D'Agostino. Jim was appointed to the Board in 1997 and serves on the Building and Grounds Committee and the Budget Committee. This term is for two years.

FINANCIAL PLANNING SEMINAR

The month of May will bring a Seminar in Financial Planning to the Library. Ed Porco, who has recently retired to live in Montauk full time, will lead a seminar covering many aspects of Financial planning. Mr. Porco, who has been a financial consultant since 1961, retired from Wall Street four years ago and has taught courses on Investments at Molloy College and Southampton College. On May 5th and May 12, two consecutive Tuesdays at 7:30 pm, Mr. Porco will give two hour seminar on topics such as how to plan for future monetary needs including: short, medium and long term goals; what should be included in a portfolio of investments; a description of the different types of stocks, bonds, and mutual funds; and the concept of reward and risk. Please reserve a seat for yourself at the Library for this interesting and informative two evening seminar.



BUDGET INFORMATION FOR 1998 - 99

Personnel	\$ 142,000
Equipment	2,000
Technology	17,000
Books	13,390
Audio/Visual	3,090
Periodicals	2,500
Office Supplies	4,500
Telephone	5,040
Postage	1,500
Printing	3,200
Travel	750
Professional Fees	5,600
Subscription/Dues	3,700
Office Repair	2,000
Book Processing	1,000
Utilities	22,000
Custodial Supplies	615
Building/Equipment Repair	12,000
Insurance	9,000
Building Services	11,000
Programs	3,000
Misc.	2,000
Contingency/Annual Vote	1,500
Literacy Volunteers	500
TOTAL	\$ 268,885

Tax Revenue	\$ 259,420
Unanticipated Revenue (fees, fines, copier, etc.)	<u>9,465</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 268,885</u>

This year the ballot will read:

RESOLVED: that the proposed budget of expenditures of the Montauk Library for the fiscal year 1998-99 in the amount and for the purposes shown in the statement of estimated expenditures adopted by the Board of Trustees, be and the same hereby is approved and the amount thereof shall be raised by a levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the school district.

There will also be ballots which ask you to vote for three trustees. Barbara Borth, James Sullivan and Robert Silverstone are running unopposed.

Registration will take place on Monday, April 20, 1998 from 4 - 8 p.m at the Montauk Library.

The **Annual Budget Meeting** of the Montauk Library will take place on Wednesday, April 15, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. at the library. If you have questions about the budget, please come to this meeting. There will also be budget handouts available at the library from March 5 - April 25.

The **Annual Vote** will take place on **Saturday, April 25, 1998** from 2 pm to 8 pm at the Montauk Library.

Now the library costs \$6.91 per \$1000 of assessed valuation. The Proposed budget will cost \$9.14 per \$1000 of assessed valuation...or an increase of 2.23 per \$1000. If your assessed valuation is \$5000, you would pay \$45.70 for your library service for 1998-99. Good value for your tax dollars!

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

In order to be eligible to vote on any library matter, you must be a registered voter. If you are not registered:

Registration will be at the library on Monday, April 20, 1998 from 4 pm to 8 pm. In order to register you must be:

- 18 years old
- A US Citizen
- A District Resident for at least 30 days prior to April 20, 1998

Proof of Legal Residence is:

- the address on your a)driver's license,b)Federal Income Tax Forms.c)automobile registration.and/or
- d)Government registration forms.

TO VOTE YOU:

- do not have to own property
- do not have to have a library card
- must be a registered voter

If you cannot vote on election day, you can register and be ready for the next election.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Applications for absentee ballots can be obtained at the office of the School District Clerk. Such applications must be in to the Clerk (Regina Stone) 7 days before the vote if the ballot is to be mailed, or one day before if it is to be hand delivered. All absentee ballots must be received by the Clerk no later than 5 pm of the day of the vote at the library.

LOWER LEVEL II CONTRACTS AWARDED

Construction will begin this Spring on the Meeting Room. On February 24, the Board of Trustees awarded the 3 contracts for the completion of the multi-purpose room which will seat 125 people in a small, elegant auditorium, and will also be able to be used for workshops.

The contract for General Construction was awarded to J.T. Reilly of Bayport, the Electrical contract went to Conserve Electric of Patchogue, and the HVAC contract went to Lowell Mechanical of Medford. Construction will begin this Spring, and we hope to open the entire Lower Level in late 1998.

PARKING LOT

The Board of Trustees is now working with the Town on our parking lot expansion. As part of the Montauk Athletic Field Project, the Montauk tennis courts are planned to be moved to the State Right of Way just east of the library, and the old tennis court site will become a rollerblade rink. We will share our expanded parking lot with the tennis courts, thereby making 80 total parking spaces available to us. At present we have 32, and those who attend programs at the library know how cramped the parking lot is now. We are in the process of obtaining the surveys and plans required by the State Department of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for use of the land, and hope for a speedy resolution of this issue.

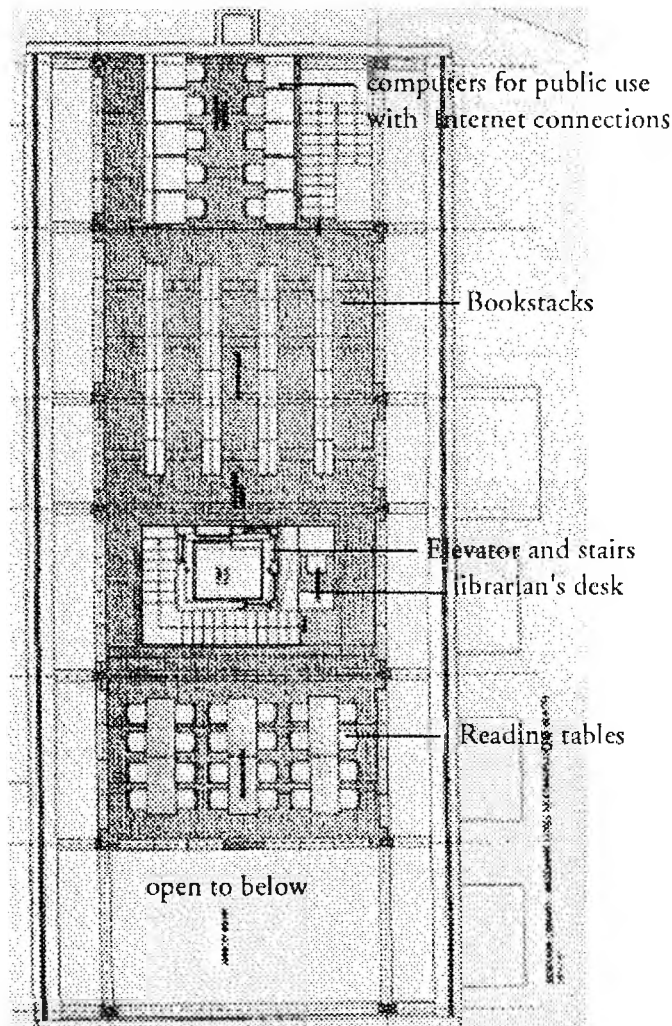
ARCHIVAL ROOM

Trustee Barbara Borth is working with Diana Dayton, a volunteer who is also studying Library Science, to catalog and organize the historic materials which we already have in the Montauk Library Collection. We are looking for historic documents and photographs of historic interest to Montauk to hold for the benefit of future generations of Montauk.

MEZZANINE GRANT

The Board of Trustees has received news that the State Education Department division of Facilities Planning has awarded the Montauk Library another LSCA Title II grant in the amount of \$20,561 to be used for construction of the Mezzanine Level of the Library. This is the last year for the LSCA construction grants. Federal money for libraries will be earmarked for Technological Development for the next few years. We, of course will apply for whatever grants we can for our library.

We have been very fortunate to have received many LSCA grants to help us build the Montauk Library. Our Library was one of only two in Suffolk County to receive grants in the last round. If all goes as planned, we hope to have all construction completed by the year 2000.



The mezzanine floats above the main level of the library. Above is the architect's rendering of the plan for that floor.

Friends of the



Montauk Library

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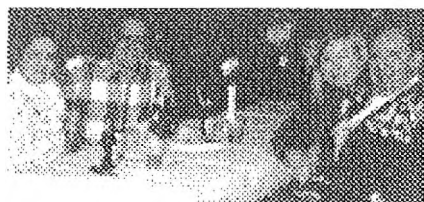
from the Friends...

WINTER HAPPENINGS

The Friends of the Montauk Library started off 1998 with a wealth of interesting and educational programs. Plans are being made for even more activities this Spring and Summer.

In January the Friends' annual Pot Luck Supper was held at the Montauk Firehouse. The popular event attracted more

then 80 persons who enjoyed good food and camaraderie. (Much thanks to the Montauk Fire Department's volunteers who helped set up for the event.)



In February Montauk resident and traveler Peter Lowenstein presented an extremely interesting slide show at the Library, which focused on his trips to New Guinea. Mr. Lowenstein delivered a commentary along with the slides illustrating his experiences above and below the waters surrounding the island off the coast of Australia. The presentation left the large audience well informed and hoping they could experience the same adventure someday.

On March 1, Prof. John Thierfeld, assistant professor of Arts and Humanities at Dowling College in Oakdale, once again visited Montauk to present a program on the opera "La Boheme." Prof. Thierfeld related the plot of the opera and showed two videos of performances by separate opera companies, which gave insight into different techniques used to perform the popular Puccini work.

As a follow up, the Friends sponsored a bus trip to see the opera performed "live" at Lincoln Center on March 21. The tickets sold out quickly.

Another bus trip, held in December, to see the annual Christmas Show at Radio City Music Hall was also a sell out.

FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIES

Robert Molnar and Jane Warr are to be commended for putting together the Friday Night Movie program this past winter. Reports are that the popular program drew many people to the library for movies and free popcorn. The last film "Captain's Paradise" was viewed on March 13.

UPCOMING EVENTS

INDIA

On Sunday, April 5 at 7 PM, Carissa Katz will present a commentary and slide show of her trip to India. Ms. Katz is a staff reporter for the East Hampton Star. You may remember the interesting accounts of her trip which she wrote for the newspaper.

RUSSELL DRUMM

On Sunday, May 3, another East Hampton Star reporter and Montauk's own author, Russell Drumm, will talk about his book, "In The Slick Of The Cricket." The book, based on the adventures of Montauk's notorious "shark man," Captain Frank Mundus, was well received in the New York Times Book Review Section in February.

BOOK SALE

Aside from the Annual Book Fair, plans are being made to hold a mini-Book Sale on Saturday, April 11, in the Library. The sale will offer brand new books for \$2.00. Watch for the scheduled hours at the Library.

BOOK FAIR

Bob-E Metzger, chair of the Book Fair, reports that books are stacking up for the Fair. We also have our permit from East Hampton Town for the use of the Green, so plans are moving ahead for the annual event on July 4th this year.

Future programs for the summer are in the planning stage, so look for announcements at the Library, local newspapers, and bulletin boards.

If anyone has an idea for a program let the Friends know. Also, if anyone would like to volunteer in the Friends' continued efforts in making the Library a more valuable resource, please give your name and telephone number to an employee at the Library.

STORY HOUR

The Children's Story Hour is held on Tuesdays in the Library at 10 am. Under the direction of Joyce Whitman the children enjoy stories read by her and Gloria Santoreno. Story Hour for pre-schoolers will continue at the same time until Summer when there possibly will be a schedule change. Any change will be posted in the Library.



CHILDREN'S CRAFT WORKSHOPS

Children had the opportunity to make special Valentine crafts in February under the direction of Christine Langerfeld with the assistance of Grace Lightcap, Dawn Stavola, Jeanne Stedman, and Virginia Garrison. The next crafts workshop, to be held at the Montauk Community Church, is scheduled for March 29. Geared for children in kindergarten through second grades the March workshop will cover the Springtime theme. Watch for future children's craft workshop information at the library.



MRS. D'S PROGRAMS

Once again Doris Donohue's special reading hours have been a success this winter. In January, Mrs. D. organized a "Winter Party" for the pre-schoolers who pretended to skate around the Library and were read stories appropriate for the occasion.



In February the children exchanged Valentine cards during a special story hour and were the recipients of hearts to celebrate the holiday.

Watch for a notice of Mrs. D's return from vacation and sign up at the Library so your pre-schooler can enjoy these programs.

DANCE AND MOTION

In March a new program was introduced for pre-schoolers at the Library. Lydia Burns conducted half-hour "Dance and Motion" sessions, which involved parents' participation. The last session was held on March 23.

COMMEND-A-FRIEND

Jane Liebell is an outstanding friend of the library. Her remarkable tenure as the Friend's Float Chairman has provided The St. Patrick's Day Parade with a Friends of the Montauk Library float for many years, always with fresh and funny ideas. Jane makes the floats as much fun to work on as to ride on, and keeps the spirit of the Friends efforts visible in the community. This year the Friends rode an antique bus called "Ride the Library Road" It was a good year to ride inside!

Jane served as Co-President of Friends of the Library with Donna Etzel. We'd like to thank Jane for the long and devoted service she has given to the library.

ABOUT THE FRIENDS

Friends of the Montauk Library is an organization whose function is to support the Library by sponsoring various programs and activities for the community, and by raising funds both to pay for these activities and to provide financial assistance to the Library for special purposes. Members give their time and energy to events ranging from selling raffle tickets to helping at the Book Fair. If you want to join, fill out the tear-off membership form and drop it off at the Library or mail it to the address on the form. If you are already a member of the Friends and would like to get more involved in our activities, call 668-9577.

WE NEED ALL THE FRIENDS WE CAN GET DEPARTMENT

To become a member, complete the information below and mail to:
Friends Membership Chairman, P. O. Box 700, Montauk, New York 11954, or leave at the Library.

Annual Dues:

_____ Regular Member	\$7.00
_____ Senior Citizen	3.00
_____ Family	10.00
_____ Sponsor	25.00
_____ Friend for Life	100.00

New Member Renewal

_____ Yes, I'd like to help. My special interests are _____

_____ No, I can't be active, but I'd like to be a supportive member.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Winter Address _____

SURFSIDE LUNCHEON



On Thursday, April 23, our annual Spring Luncheon will be held at the Surfside Inn on Old Montauk Highway at 12:30 pm. There will be door prizes, raffles and the customary great buffet lunch for which the Surfside is famous. The \$20 donation will benefit the Montauk Library Building Fund. Tickets will be available at the Library and the Montauk Laundromat.



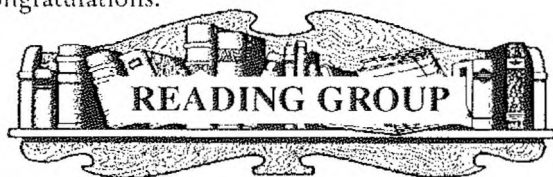
MONTAUK WRITES

Started last Fall the Creative Writing Workshop has been a hit. The group, led by Joan Powers, meets twice monthly on Fridays from 9-11 am in the Library. Further details on the program are available at the Library.

LIBRARY VISITS...

Over the winter we have welcomed the English as a Second Language students in grades two through seven at Montauk School. Cub Scout Dens, led by Alan Burke, Sue Farnham and the Daunt's also visited the library.

During the February school break, students from preschool to 12th grade who had a Montauk Library card had the opportunity to guess and win the number of candies in our beautiful candy jar. The lucky winner was Alysha Staudenmaier of Montauk. Congratulations.

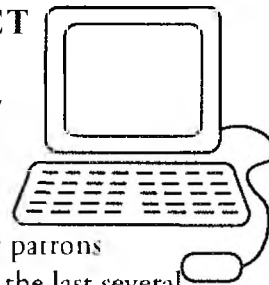


The Reading Group, which meets once a month on a Sunday at noon in the Library, has been active all winter. In March they read "All The Pretty Horses" by Cormac McCarthy. April's selection is "The Crossing" by the same author.

Participants in the group bring a bag lunch to the informal and unstructured discussions, which are open to all who enjoy reading and talking about books. Copies of the books to be discussed are available at the circulation desk. Those interested can always check at the Library for the next book to be read and date of the next meeting.

THE INTERNET AND THE LIBRARY

SuffolkNet
SuffolkWeb



We would like to thank all our patrons who have shown patience over the last several months with the Internet program which is offered through the Library System. The growth of SuffolkWeb has been astonishing, with many equipment upgrades necessary at the Suffolk Library System and the member libraries that support it with equipment located in their buildings. Even Bell Atlantic has not been able to keep up with this expansion, and has had to add equipment and services in Suffolk County to facilitate our journeys into cyberspace. If you have a home computer and have not yet signed up for your SuffolkWeb account at the Library, ask at the circulation desk for an application.

THE CD COLLECTION

The following CD's have been added to the collection, purchased by a special gift:

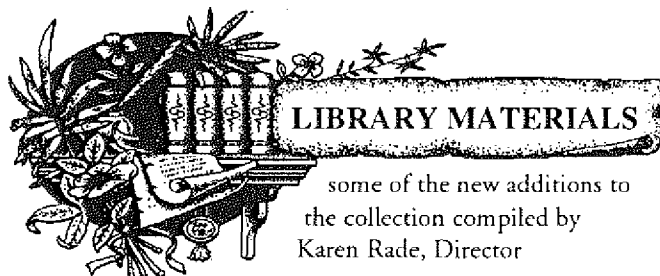
Jimmy Buffett, Songs You Know by Heart
Grease
Victor, Victoria
Benny Goodman, Sing, Sing, Sing
Windham Hill Sampler
Chicago/O.C.R.
Benny G., Moment
Puccini, Madame Butterfly
Yo-Yo Ma, Made in America



LVA

Literacy Volunteers of America

We have a very active English as a Second Language program for adults, thanks to some of the 12 tutors who were trained at the Montauk Library by Literacy Volunteers of America, during the October 1997 workshop. Quite a few of these groups meet in the library for their sessions.



LIBRARY MATERIALS

some of the new additions to
the collection compiled by
Karen Rade, Director

SPRING BROWSING ON THE LIBRARY SHELVES:

As 1998 has been one of the mildest winters in Montauk, and since the first pussy willows are opening, many of us are looking forward to spring and readying our gardens for the spectacular vegetables and blooms which will grace our homes this summer and fall. Look to your library for many helpful ideas.

GARDENING 630-635

Vegetables 635

Wild Flowers 582.13

Organic Gardening 635.0484

Herbs 635.7

Seaside Gardens 635.95

Garden Projects 681/684

Landscaping 712.

Trees 582/635.977

Non-Fiction

Love and Survival, Ornish, Dean

Making the Most of Your Money, Quinn, Jane Bryant

Rough Riders, Bak, Richard

Talking to Heaven, vanPraagh, James

Biographies

Steichen: A Biography, Niven, Penelope

Autobiography of a Tibetan Monk, Gyatso, Palden

Fiction

Black and Blue, Quindlen, Anna

Bringing out the Dead, Connelly, Joe

Charming Billy, McDermott, Alice

Eleventh Plague, Marr, John S.

Holding Out, Faulk, Anne O.

Paradise, Morrison, Toni

Street Lawyer, Grisham, John

Tales of the Night, Hoeg, Peter

NEW JUVENILE

Non-Fiction

Amistad Slave Revolt, Zeinert, Karen

Daredevils, Watts, Claire

Grand Canyon, Vieira, Linda

Miriam's Cup, Manushkin, Fran

St. Patrick, Tompart, Ann

Fiction

Little Farm in the Ozarks, McBride, Roger Lea

Little House on Rocky Ridge, McBride, Roge Lea

Poonam's Pets, Davies, Andrew

Snowboard Maverick, Christopher, Matt

NEW VIDEOS

Always

Pride and Prejudice

Porgy and Bess

Video Gardening
Foolproof Flower Beds
Garden Remedies
Rose Care
Solving Landscaping Problems

MEMORIAL FUND

The following memorial fund has been established at the Library this year. It is in memory of:

Corinne "Cory" Sanders
established by her son Richard S. Sanders

Anyone wishing to donate to this fund, please make your check payable to the Montauk Library Building Fund and send to P.O.Box 700, Montauk, N.Y. 11954

SUPPORTING OUR LIBRARY

...THROUGH YOUR WILL

The Montauk Library has traditionally supported and enriched the community by continuing to improve and expand its services. By including the library in your will, you will be taking a step toward ensuring the quality and availability of these services for future generations of patrons.

THE BUILDING FUND

We need the help of **all** Montauk residents to fulfill the dream of a completed library building. By raising the money without a bond issue, we hope to save our taxpayers the long-term interest they would otherwise pay. When the Lower Level is completed, it will be of benefit to every age group in Montauk for a variety of activities such as readings, recitals, art shows, children's workshops, etc. Please consider making a generous, tax-deductible donation to your library at this time. Checks should be made payable to the Montauk Library Building Fund, P.O.Box 700, Montauk, N.Y. 11954.

The **Building Fund** and the **Special Fund** are different entities. The Building Fund is for donations toward finishing the building. The Special Fund is for special gifts, memorials and endowments - for example, scholarships, special book collections, etc. If you would like more information about the Special Fund talk to Joan Lycke, the trustee in charge of gifts and donations.

Gifts to the Montauk Library are tax deductible. Gifts willed to the Library in the form of a bequest are favorable in light of today's tax laws. Many corporations offer matching gift programs for their employees. Please check with your employer if you are thinking of making a donation.

All gifts to the Library are recognized either in the Donor Book or on the plaques at the entrance to the William DePouli Reading Room.

Donor categories for plaques are as follows:

\$10,000 and up	Benefactor
5,000 - 9,999	Patron
2,500 - 4,999	Sponsor
1,000 - 2,499	Donor
500 - 999	Contributor

WHAT'S IN THE LIBRARY?

GENERAL CIRCULATION:

Non-Fiction and Fiction Collection
Adult and Juvenile - 21 day circulation
Shakespeare Collection
Paperback Exchange

PERIODICALS:

Local and National Newspapers
Magazines - 1 week circulation

REFERENCE COLLECTION:

Dictionaries, Atlases, Encyclopedia
Government Documents
Indexes
Directories
Long Island and Montauk History
Vertical Files of Information
East Hampton Star on Microfilm

MEDIA COLLECTION:

Audio language tapes - 3 week circulation
Audio Books on Tape - 1 week circulation
Videos - two tape limit -2 night circulation
Classic Compact Discs - 1 week circulation

TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT-FOR PUBLIC USE

IBM Compatible Computers
Macintosh LC 520 CD
Typewriter - for use in library
Photocopy Machine -.10 per copy
Compact Disc Player-use in library
Compact Disc Player - for loan
Micro Film/Fiche Reader/Printer

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:

CD ROM Network - reference sources
Inter-Library Loan Service-Lists of all materials available from Suffolk County and New York State Library Systems
Story Hour-Offered by Friends of the Library for preschool children
Summer Reading Program for children through the sixth grade
SuffolkNet Internet Gateway - free internet access
SuffolkWeb Graphical Internet Gateway

HOURS

MONDAY, TUESDAY, FRIDAY

11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SUNDAY

2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Telephone: 516-668-3377

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Membership in the Montauk Library is free to all residents of the Montauk Union Free School District. To obtain a library card proof of residency is required: a deed, tax bill, tax receipt, year round lease, driver's license or registration with a Montauk address, a voter's registration card or a student identification card. Non-residents can obtain library privileges for a \$30 annual fee.

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