Hello Island Trees!

I definitely am not a fan of Winter but boy July was too hot, I am hoping August is not too bad! Maybe it’s my age but I am looking forward to Fall!

So in case you didn’t know, in June the building was opened to staff who immediately got to work preparing for Contactless Pick Up which was implemented Monday, July 6 and it has been a huge success. Contactless Pick Up takes place at the Farmedge Road entrance as we do not have a parking lot yet (see page 2 for a picture and page 3 for details). All returns are placed in quarantine for 7 days before being checked in by staff and recirculated. There will be no fines for these items while in quarantine as long as they were returned by your due date. Librarians are in the building to help you with your reference needs.

Some museums have either opened their grounds or in some cases buildings and you can check out the Museum Pass Reservation page on our website to see which ones are available. Some are Print at Home passes and some you can arrange for Contactless Pick Up.

Of course we are all looking forward to getting the library open to you and we are working diligently to make that happen. However we will still all have to get used to the fact that there will be changes. In order to adhere to social distancing rules and guidelines we will still only be able to have a certain number of people in the building at one time. That means things like consolidating the public use computers from 8 to 3 and registering in advance to use them. We will still not be able to offer in-house programs and so invite you to take advantage of the online programs that are being offered on a regular basis. These programs can be found on our Event Calendar on our website.

Construction on the new building next door is ongoing and exciting to watch (see page 2 for some pictures!). We are all looking forward to our new library and hope you are too. Due to construction needs like shutting down the electricity or water etc. there are going to be days where the library is completely closed, we apologize in advance for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience.

As always, we wish you good health and happiness and hope to see you soon!

Debi Santiago, Newsletter Editor
PICTURES!

Contactless Pick Up

Community Room (It’s Huge!)

One of our 2 new Book Drops

Above the Children’s Area

Inside View of new Book Drop
**CONTACTLESS PICK-UP**

Remember we do not have a parking lot right now. You will need to park in front of the library on Farmedge Rd and walk to the front door/book drop area to retrieve your materials.

If you would like to utilize our Contactless Pick-up, please adhere to the following steps:

1. Starting Monday, August 3 call the library anytime between 10:00am and 4:00pm Monday through Friday to speak with a librarian in order to reserve materials.

2. After speaking with a librarian you will be transferred to a Circulation Clerk who will need the following information, your name, library card barcode and email address.

3. The clerk will check out the items to your account and bag them, label with your name and email you due dates.

4. You will need to come to the library prior to 4:00pm. Upon arrival you will call the library to announce you are there at which time a clerk will place your call on hold and bring your bag to a covered table outside. Once the clerk has told you it is in place, you may retrieve your bag.

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**SEND US YOUR QUARANTINE STORY!**

*This project is for EVERYONE & ALL AGE GROUPS!!!*

We would like to hear about your experience with quarantine, social distancing, home schooling and however it affected you and your family, good or bad. With your permission we will share some of these stories on Facebook (posting w/ first names only.) But all will be printed and kept on file at the library as a living history of this time and how it affected our community.

Submit your stories to debisantiagoti@gmail.com

If you are participating in the NYS Summer Reading Program you can be rewarded for your story:

**Children:** Submitted stories score 100 points toward your Summer Reading total. Last day for submission is Saturday, August 8.

**Young Adult/Teens:** Submitted stories will score 2 hours of Community Service. Last day for submission is Wednesday, August 19.

**Adults:** Submitted stories will be entered into a drawing for gift card to a local business. Last day for submission is Saturday, August 22.

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**New Hours**

**Call & Pick-Up**

Monday - Friday
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Step 1**

Visit our website islandreepubliclibrary.org and view our online catalog of books, DVDs and CDs. When you are ready, call the library at 516-731-2211 between 10 AM - 4 PM to place a hold.

**Step 2**

The librarian will get your items from the shelves, you will need your barcode and email. We will check out the items and email you the return date. You will have until 4 PM that day to pick up the items.

**Step 3**

Call us from your car when you are outside the library and ready to pick up your items.

**Step 4**

The staff member will bring your items out in a bag and place them on a table outside the building. When the staff member goes inside, you can retrieve your items. Please note the library is not open to the public at this time.

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**We Are Extending Our Book Drop Hours (again)!**

Starting on Monday, August 3 patrons will be able to drop off books Monday - Friday from 8:30 AM - 7:00 PM using the Drop Box

We will NOT be accepting returns inside the building!
Adult Programs

- **Adult Summer Reading Program Ends**
  Saturday August 22

- **Name That Tune with Theresa**
  Tuesday, August 4, 7:00pm

- **Book Chat - The Book Charmer**
  by Karen Hawkins
  Thursday August 13, 2:00pm

- **Instant Pot Cooking 101**
  Monday, August 17, 7:00pm

Ongoing Adult Programs Already Started

- **Chair Yoga with Barbara Siems**
  Mondays at 1:00pm

- **Exercise Series with Barbara Pando**
  Walk 15, Body Sculpting & Zumba
  see our website for details
  DAYS & TIMES VARY

Young Adult Programs

- **Teen Summer Reading Ends:**
  Wednesday, August 19

- **YouTube Crafts:**
  Friday, August 7 at 2:00pm - Comic Collage
  Friday, August 14 at 2:00pm - Bookish Bookmarks
  Tuesday, August 18 at 8:00pm - Percy Jackson
  Saturday, August 22 at 2:00pm - Mug Cakes I
  Saturday, August 29 at 2:00pm - Mug Cakes II

- **New Virtual Escape Rooms**
  Monday, August 3, available at 9:00pm - Escape From Wonderland
  Monday, August 17, available at 9:00am - Escape the Lost Island

- **Virtual Teen Meditation**
  Friday, August 21, 4:00pm
  Friday, August 28, 4:00pm

- **Online Teen Spa Night**
  Thursday, August 20, 7:00pm

- **Virtual Paint Party - Baby Yoda**
  Monday, August 24, 4:30pm

Children’s Programs

- **Last Day to Submit Reports**
  Saturday, August 8

- **Online Fairytale Storytime**
  **Ages: 22mos to 5yrs**
  Wednesdays at 12:00pm

- **Page Turner Adventures** *remember each event only lasts for 24 hours*
  Mondays - Live Shows
  Tuesdays - Kids Crafts
  Wednesdays - Author Talks
  Thursdays - Tween Crafts
  Fridays - Special Guest Shows

- **Family Trivia Night: Disney Movie Edition**
  Thursday, August 13, 7:00pm

- **Happy Birthday Percy Jackson Trivia!**
  Tuesday, August 18, 4:00pm (AGES: 8-11)

For all information on all of these programs including how to access them please go to our website: www.islandtreespubliclibrary.org

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