

# The Friday Notes

Our 226<sup>th</sup> Season  
January 29, 2016

## Principal's Corner

This week all students attended our annual Geography Bee in the Hilton Gymnasium. Congratulations to our 2016 Geography Bee champion, Jackson DeMarco and runner-up, Gregor Acker. Third place went to James Tucker. Additional congratulations to all of our finalists: Eddie Munyak, Sophie Cohen, Carson Fruchtmann, Emma Bauer, Alexandra Nesi, Caitlin Roberts, and Sara Mazzei. Special thanks to Mr. Farmer, who once again planned this special event for West Side. With one week to go, our 4<sup>th</sup> graders have now taken the lead in our LightSail Reading Challenge. During the first three weeks of the Reading Challenge, our students read for almost 30,000 minutes; that is simply incredible! Parents of our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade FLES students attended Voki celebrations this past Tuesday, Thursday and Friday in Señora Tassani's room. Students showcased their Spanish speaking Vokis (avatars) on the SMARTboard and asked and answered questions with their classmates in Spanish about their Vokis. Muchas gracias to all parents who attended our celebration! To complete this project, students selected a name, age, hair color and eye color for their Vokis and wrote a paragraph describing them. Next, they used a computer program called Audacity to create an MP3 voice recording for their Vokis. They logged onto Voki classroom, created their avatars and uploaded their MP3s to give them voices. Many thanks to our technology assistant, Ms. Audrey Balzano, for her help with this project! Finally, thank you to Mrs. McCarey and our PTG volunteers for another great Movie Night! Students and parents enjoyed eating pizza and popcorn while they watched *Hotel Transylvania 2*.

## After School Program

The next session will begin next week, February 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Health Screenings

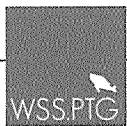
Health screenings which provide an overview of vision, hearing, and scoliosis are mandated by the State of New York for children in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade (vision only), 3<sup>rd</sup> grade (vision and hearing), 5<sup>th</sup> grade (vision, hearing, and scoliosis), and 6<sup>th</sup> grade (scoliosis only). They will be performed between February 4 – 11 and February 25<sup>th</sup>. In the Community Room by Ms. Schaul, our school nurse.

## Outdoor Recess

We are trying to get our students outside for recess as much as possible. Please make sure your child brings a winter coat, hat and gloves to school each day. Thank you for your support.

## Kindergarten Registration

If your preschool child will be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2016, he/she is eligible for kindergarten in September 2016. Please contact the District Registrar, Gloria Albert (631 367-5910) to ensure that your child's name appears on the District census. Only those families whose child's name appears on the census will receive a registration packet from the Superintendent. Registration begins in February.



## Yearbook

Yearbook Sales are now open!! The yearbook is a beautiful keepsake for your child. School events, portraits, candid photos and so much more. Every grade is represented in the yearbook. Yearbooks will be sold online only. Order your book today!

Just follow the steps below:

Step 1: Visit <http://www.memorybook.com/parentpay>

Step 2: Enter your pay code 78934 and click next

Step 3: Buy a yearbook for \$30.00 or yearbook with personalized name for \$32.25

Order online through: April 20, 2016

If you have any issues with your order, please contact Ingrid Wright at [wrights103@aol.com](mailto:wrights103@aol.com)

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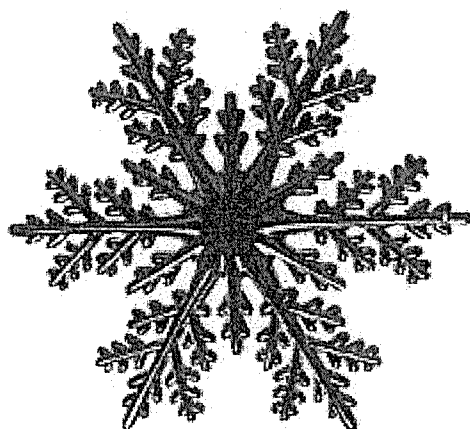
### Upcoming Events

<b>PTG Meeting</b>	Tuesday, February 9 <sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM in the Community Room
<b>BOE Meeting</b>	Tuesday, February 9 <sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM at District Office
<b>Mid-Winter Recess</b>	February 15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup>
<b>SIT</b>	Thursday, February 25 <sup>th</sup> at 3:30 PM in the Conference Room

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# *West Side School* *After School Program*



## *14 week program* **Session 2 Schedule**

### Weeks of:

February 1<sup>st</sup>  
February 8<sup>th</sup>  
February 22<sup>nd</sup>  
February 29<sup>th</sup>  
March 7<sup>th</sup>  
March 14<sup>th</sup>  
March 28<sup>th</sup>

April 4<sup>th</sup>  
April 11<sup>th</sup>  
April 18<sup>th</sup>  
May 2<sup>nd</sup>  
May 9<sup>th</sup>  
May 16<sup>th</sup>  
May 23<sup>rd</sup>

Classes begin on Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.  
*You must register by Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.*

*For class descriptions, please go to the West Side School website.*

**NEW: MORNING PROGRAMS- LEGO ROBOTICS**

Classes fill quickly! Please register by January 27<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Monday:	All Sports	2-6	Gym	\$125.00
	Homework Club	2-6	Library	\$125.00
	Kleiner's Kids Newspaper Club	5-6	Computer Lab	\$125.00
Tuesday:	Homework Club	2-6	206	\$125.00
	Beyond the Hour of Code 7:30- 8:30 am	2-4	Computer Lab	\$125.00
Wednesday	No classes held			
Thursday	Lego Robotics 7:30-8:30 am	4-6	Computer Lab	\$125.00
	Homework Club	2-6	206	\$125.00
	Chess Nuts <i>This class will run 13 sessions</i>	2-6	Art Room	\$207.00
Friday	Basketball/ Capture the Flag <i>10 week class</i>	4-6	Gymnasium	\$90.00
	Crafty Kids	2-6	TBA	\$125.00

Please be prompt when picking up your child.  
Classes end at 4:15.

## Changes in Our Winter Schedule

Classes will begin on February 1<sup>st</sup>. *Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup> are half-days. Classes will be held from 12:00-12:50. There will be no after school program held on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> due to staff development. Chess will run for 13 sessions.*

### After School Program

Most of the classes will be conducted for fourteen weeks from 3:15 - 4:15 PM. The fee for the program is \$125. Outside vendors often charge additional fees.

MATERIAL FEES ARE DUE ON THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS. Please do not send materials fee with registration. Send the fee in with your child for the first class.

Registration is by mail only and must be  
POST MARKED BY Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.

*Mail checks, payable to the WSSPTG, and mail registration forms to:*

Melissa Newman  
80 Wildwood Drive  
Laurel Hollow, NY 11791

Registration is on a first-come first-served basis. We cannot accept phone reservations or registration forms without checks attached. Otherwise, it is unfair to those students who want to get into the classes. Classes will generally contain between 10 - 20 students. Class limits are set by the instructors and will be on a first-come first-served basis. If there is insufficient enrollment, the class will be cancelled, and you will be notified.

Registration will not be permitted without a check for the correct amount accompanying the registration forms.

A separate check is required for each class your child takes. *If you have more than one child attending a class, you may write one check for the total amount.*

If you should have any questions, please contact:  
Mrs. Newman 516-692-4275

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Registration Form  
*Please make checks payable to the*  
WSSPTG.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Checks should be made out to the WSSPTG.

A separate check is required for each class your child takes. If you have more than one child attending a class, you may write one check for the total amount.

All registration forms must be postmarked by Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.

Changes and Refunds

Changes in course selection may be made within the first two (2) weeks of the start of each session.

Refunds will NOT be given after the first two (2) weeks.

Please be prompt when picking up your child.  
Classes end at 4:15

# OPERATION GRATITUDE

**West Side Kids Care** will be collecting items to send to our brave men and women who are on active duty in the military. If your family would like to participate, please send a small personal item to school with your child before **Monday February 1**. This is a great opportunity to discuss what it means to serve our country with your child and how much these small items might mean to a soldier who is away from home and family. Suggestions are included below but the entire list of requested items can be seen at: [www.operationgratitude.com/wishlist](http://www.operationgratitude.com/wishlist)

- men & women's socks
- gum
- lip balm
- toothpaste & toothbrushes
- individual packets of towelettes
- hand & foot warmers
- mini-flashlights with extra batteries

Students will be invited to make Valentines and thank you cards during recess on Feb. 2 to include with these care packages.



# TIRED OF MINDLESS MINECRAFT?

*Huntington Historical Society*

Break up the 2016 Winter Break! Bring the kids down to one of Huntington's Historic properties for one, two, three or all four of our fun and creative historical activities! There is something for everyone, grades 1 -5. Snack is included.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>: MINUTE MEN (AND WOMEN) 9:00 -12:30 at The Arsenal (across from the Kissam House, which is located at 434 Park Avenue).

During the Revolutionary War, Huntington had its very own militia of minute men. Learn about them, and make your own minute man uniform of shirt, tri-corner hat, and powder horn! Once we have our uniforms, we'll see who can be ready in a minute!!

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> BE YOUR OWN FAMILY HISTORY DETECTIVE 9:00-12:30, Conklin Barn, 2 High Street

Learn about your own family and History and how to research it! We will discuss family trees, and everyone will put one together! Come with names of as many relatives as possible, and old photos

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18<sup>th</sup>: CIVIL WAR IN HUNTINGTON AND BEYOND 9-12:30, Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Building 228 Main Street

The action may not have taken place here, but the whole nation was affected by the War between the States. Learn about the Civil War in the North, and the Huntington men who gave their lives for our Country. make a Spy Wheel, and design your own quilt square, used to guide slaves to freedom in the Underground Railroad.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup>: DOLLY AND ME TEA 1:00 -3:00, Conklin Barn, 2 High Street

Bring your favorite American Girl or other Dolly, and "doll" yourself up for a doll discussion and delightful high tea and refreshments at the Historic Conklin Barn.

**COST PER CLASS: \$30 per class for members, \$35 for non-members. (FOR any two classes, \$55/60 for three classes \$80/85, for all four classes, \$105/110).**

**CLASS SPACE IS LIMITED, CALL SOON TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT!!!!**

Please contact Wendy Andersen (631) 427-7045 ext. 404 or email  
wandersen@huntingtonhistoricalsociety.org.



## WHAT IS DEKHOCKEY? NO SKATES!

It's like street hockey -- but without the traffic!  
Dekhockey is a running game similar to ice hockey,  
played on a large rink with a low-impact plastic  
surface. **NO BODY CHECKING ALLOWED.**

Ten-game season and team shirt for only \$150  
Schedules and player stats on [nsdekhockey.com](http://nsdekhockey.com)  
Hour-long games - Sat or Sun. (w/ occasional Fri)  
Sat/Sun start times from 9 am-5 pm  
Season runs from Feb thru early April

Required equipment: Leg pads, elbow pads, gloves and hockey helmet with cage or a full shield

Discounted equipment packages available for \$150 if preordered

Registration for ages 5-7, 8-10 & 11-13 now through Sunday, January 31



A not-for-profit organization

## PAL KIDS DEKHOCKEY LEAGUES

AT

**Nassau-Suffolk**  
DEKHOCKEY  
115 Sherwood Avenue  
Farmingdale, NY 11735

(1 mile south of Adventureland off Route 110)

Leagues also available for 14-17, Adult Men and Women!



**REGISTER TODAY!**

(631)249-4412 or online at [www.nsdekhockey.com](http://www.nsdekhockey.com)

## DEKHOCKEY REGISTRATION

Child's name : \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Goaltender? Only / Never /Want to try

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone# ( \_\_\_\_\_ )

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency contact/telephone#: \_\_\_\_\_ / ( \_\_\_\_\_ )

I/we, the parent(s) of the above named child, hereby give my/our consent for participation in the above activity and do claim that he/she is in perfect physical condition to participate in said activity. Furthermore, I/we, the parent(s) of the above named candidate for a position on a league team hereby give my/our approval to his/her participation in all league activities during the current season. I/we, assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation including transportation to and from the activities; and I/we do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify and agree to hold harmless the Police Athletic League, Inc., associated organizations, the organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants and persons transporting my/our child to or from activities, for any claim arising out of an injury to my/our child, except to the extent and in the amount covered by accident liability insurance.

The Suffolk County Police Athletic League has adopted a zero tolerance policy for violence. This includes physical acts of violence, threats of violence or threatening behavior. A violation committed by any participant (player, coach, referee) parent or fan, will result in immediate expulsion from the League and a fine to the organization to which he/she belongs.

Parent(s)/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Suffolk County PAL is a not-for-profit organization. This notice is distributed to students solely as a community service by the school district. Such distribution should not be considered an endorsement or approval by the district of either the sponsor or the activity.

[www.nsdekhockey.com](http://www.nsdekhockey.com)  **631-249-4412**

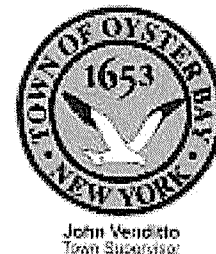
# We will be "Freezin' for a Reason" at the 3rd Annual Town of Oyster Bay Polar Plunge



**Special  
Olympics**  
New York

Saturday, March 19, 2016  
TOBAY Beach, Ocean Parkway

Check-in between 9:30 - 11:00 am  
**PLUNGE at 11:30am**



Last year over **400** Plungers braved the chilly waters while hundreds of spectators watched on. Help raise money for the athletes of Special Olympics New York by asking your friends, family, co-workers, etc. to support you in taking the PLUNGE! **Every Plunger that raises \$125 receives an official Plunge sweatshirt.....** raise more money and receive more great prizes!

**TOO CHICKEN TO PLUNGE  
JOIN THE CHICKEN COOP!**



## How do I get started?

Log onto [www.polarplungeNY.org/tobay](http://www.polarplungeNY.org/tobay) and click the **Register Here** button. You can start a team, join a team or join as an individual. Set up your Personal Plunge Page and you are on your way to "Freezin' for a Reason!" Check out the site or Facebook page for more great information about team building and fundraising ideas!



## Did you know?

Special Olympics New York has **65,665 athletes** training and competing year-round in 22 Olympics-style sports.

Our athletes and their families or caregivers are **NEVER CHARGED** to participate! Set your Plunge goal at \$400 and you have sponsored an athlete for an entire season!



**Sign up today!** [www.polarplungeNY.org/tobay](http://www.polarplungeNY.org/tobay)  
[facebook.com/SONYpolarplungeTOBAY](https://www.facebook.com/SONYpolarplungeTOBAY)

Contact Information: Jennifer Cantone at [jeantone@nysn.org](mailto:jeantone@nysn.org) or 631.254.1465 ext. 204

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For Kids & Teens! *Programs from Cold Spring Harbor  
Library's Youth Services Department. Registration Required!*

For Families!

Sunday, January 31, 2016 @ 3 pm

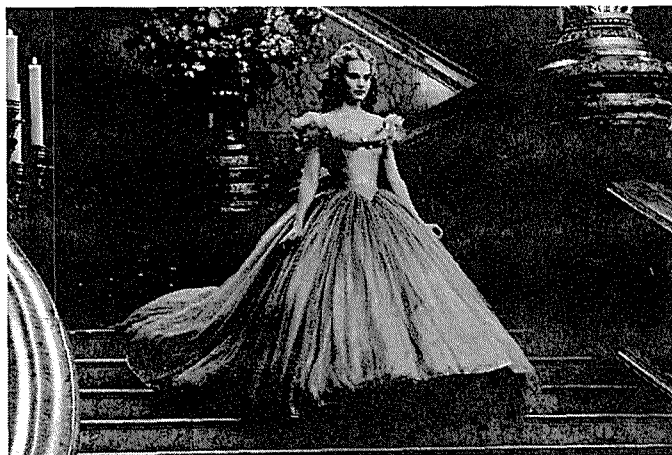
## *Cinderella*



Performed by Plaza Theatrical

The most classic of all fairy tales springs to life in this fast-paced musical production! Featuring a professional cast and live music, all the ingredients that have made the story a perennial favorite are here

- ragged Cinderella, her cruel stepmother and selfish stepsisters, the ball, the handsome prince looking for a bride, the fairy godmother, the glass slipper, the search for the foot that fits it, and the happily-ever-after ending! This musical will delight the young and the 'young at heart.'



For more information about any Kids or Teen Programs, contact a Youth Services Librarian  
at the Cold Spring Harbor Library - 631-692-6820



## ST. HUGH - ST. ELIZABETH INTRAMURAL BASEBALL & SOFTBALL 2015 SPRING REGISTRATION

### 2015 REGISTRATION FEES:

K-Clinic, \$100.00

\*Grades 1 & 2, \$150.00

\*Grades 3, 4, 5, \$175.00

\*Grades 6 thru 12, \$185.00

\*Divisions may be subject to a wait list.

**OUR 4TH YEAR  
WITHOUT A FEE INCREASE**

Boys 8th grade baseball will have the option of  
Playing in Pony or Senior Division

### Online Registration

Payment options: Credit Card or Check.

\* Credit Card Applications are subject to a 6% Merchant Fee.

### Final In Person Registration Dates:

Terry Farrell Park Clubhouse - (Cash or Check Only)

Wednesday Feb. 25 7:00 - 8:00pm

Saturday Feb. 28 9:30 - 10:30am

Tuesday Mar. 3 7:00 - 8:00pm

You may register anytime online via Credit Card or Check

**NO REFUNDS**



Price includes: uniform, trophy, team and individual picture, insurance,  
trained umps for 3rd-5th grade, professional umps from 6th-12th grade.

Copy of Birth Certificate is Required for All New Players to the League.

You must be enrolled in Kindergarten as of September 2014.

The Town of Huntington requires Huntington Town ID Cards for All Players 13 years or older  
as of April 1, 2015. The Town ID cards are issued at Huntington Town Hall or the Dix Hills  
Skating Rink. Copies of ID cards must be given to the League prior to March 1, 2015. or the  
child cannot participate in the League.



**Serving The Youth of Huntington For Over 50 Years**

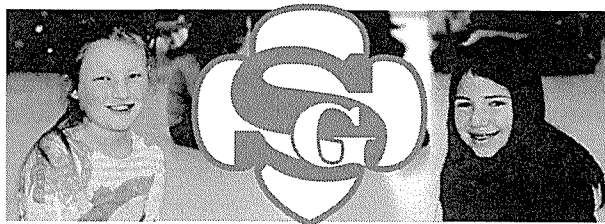
St. Hugh - St. Elizabeth's Baseball League, Inc. P.O. Box 1645, Huntington Station NY 11746

**[www.leaguelineup.com/sthstebaseball](http://www.leaguelineup.com/sthstebaseball) 631-673-6676**

St. Hugh-St. Elizabeth Baseball League is a Not-For-Profit 501(c)(3) Organization.

**CAMP ADVENTURE**

@ Winter Break

***SUPER GIRL JAM*****Feb. 16-19 from 9am-5pm****Camp Edey, Bayport****\$160 Per Girl, Grades K-6**

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It's up to every Girl to explore her **SUPER POWER** and use it to Change the World!

- Conduct awesome sound experiments
- Attend the ultimate dance party
- Unlock the secrets of soil
- Play super games
- And much more!

...

Plus, you'll get your own Journey Book from the *It's Your World-Change It!* series.

*Bus transportation available from Commack.*

**MORE INFO &  
REGISTER @ GSSC.US**

Questions? Call (631) 472-1625 or email [camp@gssc.us](mailto:camp@gssc.us)



*Not a Girl Scout? Not a problem! Only \$30 to begin your GS experience.  
For more info, email [membership@gssc.us](mailto:membership@gssc.us). Girl Scouts of Suffolk County is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. This activity is not affiliated or endorsed by the School District.*

# MORE EVENTS 4 KIDS

## at The Whaling Museum

### & Education Center of Cold Spring Harbor

*January 2016*

#### PECULIAR PENGUINS

SAT, JAN 30 | 2:30 pm

Celebrate National Penguin Awareness Day with explorations and crafts about penguins & frosty friends.



*February 2016*

#### SAILOR'S VALENTINES

SATURDAY, FEB 13 • 1-2 pm or 2:30-3:30pm

In honor of Valentine's Day, create a Sailor's Valentine, a beautiful shell mosaic based on the gifts sailors brought home from the Caribbean in the 1800s.

#### WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY!

MONDAY, FEB 15 • 11:30-12:30 pm or 1:30-

2:30 pm You are cordially invited to a birthday party for our Founding Father! Learn about whaling during colonial times, explore fun colonial toys, make a fun tin-punching craft, and enjoy birthday cake!

#### TOOTHPALOOZA!

SUNDAY, FEB 21 • 12-3 PM

It's National Children's Dental Health Month. Come touch whale teeth, hunt for shark teeth, see a whale tooth cavity, meet the Tooth Fairy, learn facts about teeth at our craft stations, create a keepsake box for your baby teeth, and enjoy face painting.

*February Break*

#### OCEAN EXPLORERS CAMP

MON-FRI, FEB 15-19 • 9:30-1pm

Dive into the world of our best-loved camp as we explore sharks, whales, and lots of ocean creatures with games, crafts, experiments, and activities.

Grades K-3.

Crew Leader: Gr 4.

CITS: 8th Gr & Up (Community Service).

Sibling discount.

Registration Online by Feb 8.

#### BUILD A BOAT! WORKSHOP

TUES-FRI, FEB 16-19 • 2-4 pm

Stop in this week to freely imagine, design, and build a wooden vessel to take home.

Adult and children both welcome!



### LOTS MORE ONLINE!

279 MAIN STREET COLD SPRING HARBOR, NY 11724  
(631) 367-3418 CSHWHALINGMUSEUM.ORG