A Resource for Everything

The library offers a variety of resources for you to borrow. This includes digital newspapers: The Press of Atlantic City, Philadelphia Inquirer, NY Times, Wall Street Journal, and many more. We also offer eBooks and digital audiobooks, streaming videos, crafting videos, hotspots, Roku, museum passes, DVD players, as well as digital magazines and music. Please call the library at (609) 487-7403 or check out our website for more information: longportpubliclibrary.org.

We look forward to helping you!

Longport Public Library & Museum
Summer 2022

2022 Summer Reading Program, Town Scavenger Hunt

Our summer reading program kicks off on Saturday, June 25. It is open to all ages. Read books and earn prizes all summer long. The town-wide scavenger hunt begins Saturday, May 28 and goes until Labor Day. Residents will notice signs throughout town with the library logo. These signs have a code on it that you can scan with your smart phone to learn about Longport history. Complete the scavenger hunt and earn a prize.

Movies, Cooking Classes, Concerts, Authors, and More

We are super excited about this summer. We have authors, cooking classes, concerts, and more. The summer begins with our kickoff event on Monday, June 6th, at 1pm. This event will include food and music at the Guild Hall, 20th and Atlantic Avenues.

Our kids’ summer reading kickoff is Saturday, June 25th, at 10:30. We will have face painting, mermaid craft, Pokémon, and pizza.

Registration is required for both these events.

New Mobile App

We are pleased to announce a new Longport Library App to make accessing all your library resources so much easier. You can download eBooks, read newspapers, stream movies, search the library catalog, and find out about programs all in a set location. Search Longport Public Library in your mobile app store and download it today.
Family Bingo
Tuesday June 7 and June 14, 6:30pm
Tuesday July 12, 6:30pm
Tuesday August 2, August 9, 6:30pm
Monday, August 15 and August 29, 6:30pm

Kids’ Programs

Sunday Storytime and Craft
Every Sunday starting June 26th at 10:30am

Wednesday Morning Pokémon Club
Every Wednesday at 11am starting July 6th
Trade cards, play games

Special Saturday Family Events
6/25 at 10:30am Summer Reading Kickoff Party
7/09 Aquarium Visit-10:30am
7/23 Pirate Show-10:30am
7/30 Magic Show 10:30am
8/06-Cape May Zoo Visit at 10:30am
8/20-Jugglers at 10:30am
Please call the library to register for these events.
Music Series
(All events at 6:30pm at the gazebo behind Borough Hall. In the event of rain, event will be held inside.)
Registration Required
Monday, May 23—Atlantic Brass Band
Monday, June 20—Black Magic Swing Band
Tuesday, July 5—Fabulous Silver Wings Band
Monday, July 18—Mel & Tony
Monday, August 1—Tommy Allen Band
Monday, August 22—MOVE!

Author Series
(All events at 6:00pm at the gazebo behind Borough Hall unless noted. Registration required)
Thursday, May 19, at 2pm in library
Author Molly Golubcow
Monday, July 11 (Rain Date July 12)
Author Fiona Davis
Monday, July 25 (Rain Date July 26)
Author Paula McLain
Monday, August 16
Author Laurie Zaleskie

Adult Programs
(Registration is required for all events.)

Summer Kick off Celebration: Monday June 6, at 1pm
Longport Needlers Knitting Group: Mondays at 10am
Sign Language: Thursdays from 11-12:30 (June 23-August 11)
Lecture: Creating a Certified Wildlife Habitat: Friday, June 3, at 2pm
Lecture: The Daughters of Yalta: Monday, June 27, at 6:30pm
Trivia: Tuesdays at 6:30pm-May 31, June 28, July 26, August 8, August 30
Adult Craft: Tuesday, May 17 at 1pm, Friday at 10am- June 17, July 22, August 12
Tuesday Tasting at 6:30pm at Guild Hall: May 17, June 21, July 19, August 23
Sandy Pages Book Club: Mondays at 1pm: May 16, June 20, July 18, August 15
Yoga: Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30am starting June 07-September 8

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A Longport Memory
by Mary Sue Lovett

Longport began the year 1912 with the election of a new mayor, Ralph Harcourt, who was proclaimed as the youngest mayor in the world. A former football player at Swarthmore and the University of Pennsylvania, Harcourt was only 23.

A storm in June swept away 10 feet of 11th Avenue. Later that summer the town council voted themselves out of a job by setting up a 3-man commission form of government.

Early November brought another flood causing several cottages to be undermined. But it was only two days before Thanksgiving when the town faced a potential catastrophe.

The raging 16th Avenue fire began with an overheated stove in a small frame cottage. Percy Houch, clerk at the Borough Hall on 25th Avenue, returned to his home in the early afternoon to find the interior in flames. He alerted his neighbor Mrs. J.R. Minnich, wife of the Longport Postmaster, who helped him try to contain the fire using hand held equipment. Mrs. Minnich was later hailed as the heroine of the day because she sacrificed the furnishings of her home while fighting the fire.

By now the main fire had spread to the nearby cottages of R. A. Rosenthal and W.W. Lamborn, Philadelphia artists. Handicapped by poor water service and a feeble stream of water, Captain Black and the firemen from Ventnor and Atlantic City eventually brought the inferno under control.

Although there were no serious injuries, several of the fire fighters emerged from the last two cottages in a semi-conscious condition. The Atlantic City Boardwalk Inspector, William Lamb, had been knocked over by a stream of water from the Ventnor hose. As he rolled down the wooden shingled roof, Lamb was caught by others climbing towards the peak of the house.

According to a Philadelphia Inquirer article printed on November 27, 1912, the fire completely destroyed six cottages at a cost of $50,000.