

# Newsletter

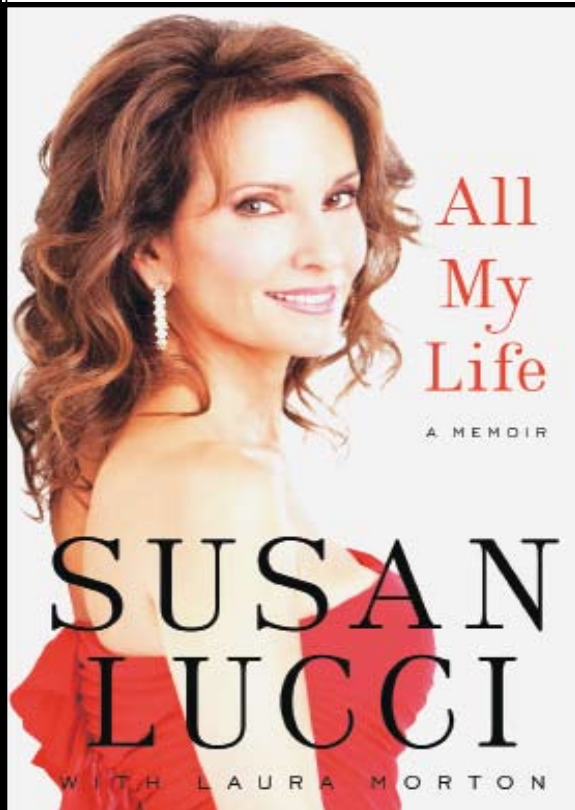


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**AUTHOR VISIT**

## SUSAN LUCCI



**ALL MY LIFE: A MEMOIR**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 11  
7:00 PM**

When Susan Lucci and *All My Children* were introduced to the world in 1971, American television changed forever. Susan's character, the beautiful, spirited, and mercurial Erica Kane, was an original—the first vixen viewers loved to hate. But while millions have enjoyed getting to know Erica's many sides—and have been awed at how this character has continually remade herself—the woman who plays her has remained a mystery.

In *All My Life*, this very private actress, wife, mother, daughter, grandmother, sister, friend, and entrepreneur pulls back the curtain to reveal her story. Warm, candid, and inviting, *All My Life* chronicles Susan's journey from growing up on Long Island to playing Erica Kane and from finding true love to living that "Cinderella moment" when she finally won her Emmy, bringing the world to its feet in celebration. *Continues on Page 5*

Books will be available for purchase courtesy of

**BARNES & NOBLE  
MANHASSET**

## 2011/2012 BRYANT LIBRARY BUDGET MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On Tuesday, May 17, from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Roslyn High School, you will have the opportunity to vote on the Proposed Annual Bryant Library Budget for the 2011/2012 fiscal year. **The Library Budget will appear, as it does each year, as Proposition #2 on the Ballot.**

As community members, the Library Trustees are striving to balance the excellent service you expect with the economic realities we all face. This year we are confronted with multiple challenges: a 41.54% increase in our NYS Retirement costs, the imposed Sewer Tax, and a decrease in revenues due to low interest rates.

Nassau Library System (NLS) provides many services to the 54 public libraries in the county. One of the most valuable is the delivery service that brings books and other materials requested by patrons to or from another library. As a result of **five** years of cuts in State funding, each library has been asked to help support NLS by assuming the cost of the delivery service. We have taken all this into account in preparing the budget.

**The proposed 2011/2012 budget reflects an increase to the taxpayer of 2%** and the operating budget will represent a .49% increase over this year's projected actual budget. The following cost saving measures have been applied to offset the increase in the amount raised from taxation:

**NEW MEASURES**

- A hiring freeze remains in force.
- Participated in the NYS Retirement Incentive to target a full-time position.
- Reduced staff hours.

**CONTINUING MEASURES**

- Obtaining state grants that help defray the costs of our telecommunication services.
- Partnering with the Friends of Bryant Library who support the Library with programs, such as the popular Museum Pass Program. (Contributions to the Friends are tax deductible).
- Partnering with local community's non-profit institutions to lower the cost of programs and services.
- Purchasing cooperatively with the Nassau Library System. The Virtual Core Collection of databases and the Nassau Digital Doorway Consortium saves the Library \$30,000 annually.

**Your Bryant Library is used more than ever.** Library patrons checked out 9% more items this past year (300,661). More than 181,364 people visited the Library while 30,111 attended library programs. Over 35,299 patrons signed up to use a computer.

**eBooks and eReaders** have become one of the most popular trends in the last decade. As a member of the Nassau Digital Doorway Consortium, Bryant is purchasing eBooks that can be downloaded to Sony eReaders, the Barnes and Noble Nook and Nook Color. Circulation figures for eBooks and audio books have reached the 100,000 mark. *Continues on Page 3*



Pictured (l-r) is Roslyn Schools Community Relations Manager Barry Edelson, Assistant Library Director Joan Casson Sauer, Library Attorney Benjamin Truncale, Town of North Hempstead Receiver of Taxes Charles Berman, Library Board Vice-President Julie Klein, Library Director Cathy Mealing, Nassau County Legislator Wayne Wink, Library Trustee Deirdre Duke, and Project Architect Robert Bee at the elevator ribbon cutting ceremony on April 14.



**CD RELEASE PARTY & PERFORMANCE**

**SHERI MILLER TUESDAY, JUNE 7 7:30 PM**

Sheri Miller returns to Bryant to perform selections from her new CD that will be released in May. Sheri released her first critically-acclaimed debut record in 2008, *Mantra*. Upon releasing *Mantra*, Sheri was asked to join a 4-part vocal harmony group in Nashville, The Delilahs, which soon signed to Sony Music. Sheri began co-writing with icon J.D. Souther (The Eagles), Jill Sobule, Shawn Mullins, Marcus Hummon (Dixie Chicks), Al Anderson (NRBQ) and many other incredible songwriters. But the group fell apart, and Sheri came back to New York with new inspiration, passionately writing hundreds of pages of loose-leaf-strewn lyrics, dozens upon dozens of songs; and finding new routes to make a living as a working musician. Sheri poured her struggles, inner demons and angels, and heart-drenched stories into creating a new, magnificent album; an album with integrity, soul, and artistry she'd be proud of. That record is *Winning Hand*. Join Sheri for this evening of celebration and song.



Sheri Miller

## FROM THE BRYANT ROOM ARCHIVES

BY MYRNA SLOAM, ARCHIVIST

# WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT ON THE RIGHTS OF WORKINGMEN

**Note:** March 25, 2011 was the 100th anniversary of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire which killed 146 workers, mostly young immigrant women, in lower Manhattan. Out of this tragedy came an increased public awareness of working conditions in these sweatshop factories, a galvanized union movement, and ultimately, many safety reforms in the garment industry and beyond. It is interesting to note that the anniversary of this tragic event comes at a time when the value of unions and the right to bargain collectively are being debated once again across the country. In light of these events, it is appropriate for us in Roslyn to look back even further, to almost exactly 175 years ago today, to see what the Bryant Library's founder, William Cullen Bryant, had to say about unions and the rights of workingmen.

Respected nationally and internationally as a poet, Bryant (1794-1878), was also a noted journalist. As editor and owner of the New York Evening Post newspaper for nearly fifty years, Bryant used his editorial page as a forum to advocate for political and social reforms. He was an ardent opponent of slavery and his support for Abraham Lincoln is well documented. Less remembered is Bryant's support for the rights of workingmen to organize and to strike. In the fall of 1835 a newly formed group, The Society of Journeymen Tailors increased its rates and won its demand after a short strike. A few months later their employers combined to rescind this increase and the tailors struck again, resulting

in fights with strike breakers. On May 30, 1836 twenty one journeymen tailors were convicted in a New York court of "conspiring injurious to trade and commerce." In a series of editorials, from May 31 to June 16, 1836, Bryant voiced his objections to their conviction and repeatedly gave his support to the formation of trade unions. The following is excerpted from his June 13, 1836 editorial, which can be found in the book, *Power For Sanity*, compiled by William Cullen Bryant II, published in 1994 by Fordham University Press.

"Sentence was passed on Saturday on the twenty 'men who had determined not to work.' The punishment selected, on due consideration, by the judge, was that the officers appointed for the purpose should immediately demand from each of the delinquents a sum of money which was named in the sentence of the court... The fine was paid over as required. All is now well; justice has been satisfied.... What was their offense? They had committed the crime of unanimously declining to go to work at the wages offered to them by their masters. They had said to one another, 'Let us come out from the meanness and misery of our caste. Let us begin to do what every order more privileged and more honored is doing everyday. By the means which we believe to be the best let us raise ourselves and our families above the humbleness of our condition. We may be wrong, but we cannot help believing that we might do much if we were

true brothers to each other, and would resolve not to sell the only thing which is our own, the cunning of our hands, for less than it is worth.' What other things they may have done is nothing to the purpose: it was for this that they were condemned; it is for this they are to endure the penalty of law....

They were condemned because they had determined not to work for the wages that were offered them! Can any thing be imagined more abhorrent to every sentiment of generosity or justice, than the law which arms the rich with the legal right to fix, by assize, the wages of the poor? If this is not SLAVERY, we have forgotten its definition. Strike the right of associating for the sale of labour from the privileges of a freeman, and you may as well at once bind him to a master, or ascribe him to the soil. If it be not in the colour of his skin, and in the poor franchise of naming his own terms in a contract for his work, what advantage has the labourer of the north over the bondman of the south? Punish by human laws a 'determination not to work,' make it penal by any other penalty than idleness inflicts, and it matters little whether the task-masters be one or many, an individual or an order, the hateful scheme of slavery will have gained a foothold in the land...."

## BYTE SIZE NEWS

BY COMPUTER SERVICES LIBRARIAN MICHELE LIPSON

### KEEPING UP WITH THE TIMES

On March 28th, the NYTimes launched their new digital subscription program. A reader is now entitled to view 20 articles each month at no charge. However, after that, you will be asked to join. The least expensive subscription fee is \$15.00 per month. That's a pretty steep cost for something that you already have access to. That's right. Bryant Library cardholders already have full access to *The New York Times*, including reviews, op-ed columns, obituaries and all articles.

How? Go to our Web site and click on *The New York Times* link in our list of Electronic Resources or directly from our homepage. You will now be searching *The New York Times*. If you click on Advanced Search, and select 'on this date,' up to and including the current date, you can read the Times full-text, at your convenience and online.

We provide access to many other newspapers available in full-text such as *Newsday*, *The Village Voice*, *Washington Post*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Boston Globe*, *USA Today*, etc. in addition to *The New York Times*. Find them in our subject list of databases, under 'Newspapers and Magazines.'

**WE HAVE DATABASES AVAILABLE 24/7**

Find them on our Web site

**[www.bryantlibrary.org](http://www.bryantlibrary.org)**

under "Electronic Resources." If you have questions on these or any of our databases, please call or visit the Reference Desk for assistance.

### LET BRYANT LIBRARY HELP YOU...LEARN TO USE A COMPUTER

Call the Reference Desk and ask about our computer classes for beginners. We have one-on-one tutoring, taught by volunteers, for free! Our talented tutors will be happy to help you get set up with an email address, navigate the Internet or answer beginner questions about word processing. Call us at 621-2240 for more information!

### DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that you can use Learning Express and/or Testing and Education Reference Center to take practice AP exams? Let your student know that they don't need to buy those costly prep books -- use library resources instead!



Pictured above (l-r) is Senior Project Manager Danny Tanzi, Library Director Cathy Mealing, Library Board Vice-President Julie Klein, Library Administrative Assistant Mary Lindquist, and Library Board President Mark Yohalem at the elevator grand re-opening.

## ROSLYN ROTARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Pictured is Rotary Club Co-President Deborah Zenier, February Student of the Month Michelle Kung and her parents (Mr. and Mrs. Daniel), and Rotary Club Co-President Cathy Mealing.



## SUMMER LOANS

FOR BRYANT LIBRARY CARDHOLDERS

EFFECTIVE:

MONDAY, JUNE 20 – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

Please ask at the Circulation Desk for more information.

## 2011/2012 BUDGET MESSAGE

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**New Services to Be Introduced!** Bryant is one of six pilot libraries in Nassau County selected to participate in a **Radio Frequency Identification System (RFID)**. Funding for the project will be subsidized by ALIS Corporation (our Integrated Library Service). This new system will expedite checkout times for patrons, provide patron self-checkout stations, and improve materials inventory and security.

The Library's budget is presented to the voters at the same time as that of the School District. However, **The Bryant Library is a separate entity with its own budget that is presented as a separate proposition.**

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, thank you for your past support. During these challenging economic times your continued support is more important than ever. Please make your vote count on Tuesday, May 17, at Roslyn High School. **Remember that support of the Library is Proposition #2 on the Ballot.**

If you have questions or seek more detailed information, please call Library Director Cathy Mealing at 516-621-2240, x210.

Mark Yohalem, President  
Bryant Library Board of Trustees



Pictured above are the winners of the teen program Recycled Runway and below is Paster Victor Lewis and Library Director Cathy Mealing at this year's Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Event held at the Library.



## 2011/2012 PROPOSED BRYANT LIBRARY BUDGET PROPOSITION #2 ON THE BALLOT

	PROPOSED 2011-2012	CURRENT 2010-2011
<b>LIBRARY MATERIALS</b>		
Books / Pamphlets / Reference	\$182,500	\$188,900
Electronic Subscriptions / Internet	\$75,850	\$81,450
Audiovisual Materials	\$82,300	\$82,400
Periodicals	\$18,300	\$22,200
Binding	\$475	\$475
<b>Total Library Materials</b>	<b>\$359,425</b>	<b>\$375,425</b>
<b>STAFF</b>		
Salaries	\$2,599,250	\$2,715,400
NYS Retirement	\$396,298	\$280,000
Social Security / Medicare	\$207,280	\$211,350
Health / Dental Insurance	\$476,199	\$436,925
Worker's Compensation / Disability	\$27,700	\$34,500
<b>Total Staff</b>	<b>\$3,706,727</b>	<b>\$3,678,175</b>
<b>GENERAL OPERATIONS</b>		
Library & Office Supplies	\$47,150	\$42,000
Postage & Freight	\$7,600	\$11,290
Printing / Programs / Publicity	\$67,650	\$71,750
Staff Development / Programs / Workshops	\$15,850	\$11,600
ALIS Corp Contracts	\$46,500	\$47,000
Nassau Library System Funding Request	\$9,755	\$17,500
Professional Fees	\$43,500	\$33,100
Memberships	\$2,500	\$2,500
Equipment Repair / Maintenance / Lease	\$36,500	\$28,750
Contract Services	\$10,100	\$10,200
Insurance	\$37,700	\$37,700
<b>Total General Operations</b>	<b>\$324,805</b>	<b>\$313,390</b>
<b>BUILDING OPERATIONS</b>		
Telephone	\$5,500	\$5,500
Fuel & Utilities	\$98,000	\$101,700
Custodial Supplies	\$15,900	\$15,900
Repairs to Building & Building Equipment	\$28,500	\$28,500
Building Service Contracts	\$35,900	\$39,900
<b>Total Facilities Operation</b>	<b>\$183,800</b>	<b>\$191,500</b>
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>		
Computer / Equipment / Furniture	\$32,500	\$22,000
<b>Total Equipment</b>	<b>\$32,500</b>	<b>\$22,000</b>
<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT</b>		
	\$50,000	\$54,000
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>		
	<b>\$4,657,257</b>	<b>\$4,634,490</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Library System Grants & State Aid	\$4,700	\$4,300
Capital Improvement State Aid Grant	\$0	\$54,000
Late Fees, Rentals, Misc. Income	\$20,000	\$23,500
Commissions / Copiers)	\$2,500	\$2,500
Interest Income	\$13,000	\$40,000
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$27,000	\$10,000
<b>Total Anticipated Revenues</b>	<b>\$67,200</b>	<b>\$134,300</b>
<b>Amount Raised from Taxation</b>	<b>\$4,590,057</b>	<b>\$4,500,190</b>

## AN INTERVIEW WITH ROBERTA BALFUS BY JULIE KLEIN

I met Roberta in 2006, when I was first elected to the Bryant Library Board of Trustees. She impressed me as a warm and welcoming member of the community. But she also imparted a refined cultural intelligence and commitment to the Roslyn community. As a devoted officer of Friends of Bryant Library, Roberta has displayed these qualities and much more, as she avidly works to raise awareness of the Friends and continuously endeavors to garner support for their activities and fundraisers. The Friends, our Library and the Roslyn community are fortunate to have Roberta on their team.

Before moving to Roslyn over 43 years ago, Roberta and her husband Larry, a retired anesthesiologist, shared some wonderful experiences. While Larry was in the service, they spent almost two years in Japan. Roberta seems grateful for the opportunity to live overseas as she says, "Being in Japan opened many doors for understanding art and aesthetics."

The couple shares an interest in the arts, music and literature. Roberta says, "We love the opera, ballet and visiting museums." She and her husband are particularly fond of contemporary art glass and glass sculpture, something they first noticed in galleries on Madison Avenue some time ago.

Roberta has enjoyed several careers. She was educated at Queens College through graduate school and first pursued a career in teaching. She taught science in grades K, 1 and 2 in Roslyn. During the 1970s, Roberta describes a time when part-time teachers started to lose their jobs due to lower enrollment and competition with tenured teachers.

At that point she started on a path that would lead her to a number of other careers, all interesting and creative in their own right. She began working for an organization in Nassau County to interview prisoners who couldn't make bail, and were not arrested for violent crimes, to determine whether they could be released on their own recognizance. Later, she became active in the League of Women Voters in Roslyn. Roberta mentions, "That's where I learned how to create newsletters."

In 1979, Roberta was hired by the Bryant Library as a consultant to begin their newsletter. She worked for 18 years as a public relations person booking programs, preparing news releases and writing the newsletter. She is proud of her accomplishments in this capacity, adding, "I also started a 'Meet the Staff' column, which was very successful. An awful lot of people liked them. It's always about the people, when it comes right down to it."

In the early 1980s, Norma Perlman and Fay Leavy were two of the people who established the Friends of Bryant Library. Roberta handled their publicity as well and she joined their organization immediately. She describes the laudable goals of the Friends, "We are the fundraising and liaison entity between the Library and the community." Among other things, the Friends use their budget to help defray the cost of children's programs. Roberta adds, "When there's a need that arises, for enhancement of library services, for particular landscaping, or for programs or other services that are not in the Library's budget, but will add to that wonderful welcoming feeling you get at the Library, those are the kinds of things the Friends helps with."

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Our Remarkable Roberta -- Always at the heart of the Bryant Library Friends

# ADULTS

## CONCERT

PIANO RECITAL & DISCUSSION BY  
JOHN CARRANZA

SUNDAY, MAY 1 2:30 PM

This unique concert and discussion that will help people enjoy music more and it will be an asset to any future piano player. John was the owner of North Shore Pianos in Little Neck for 51 years. He has played the piano since he was six years old and he just celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. This concert will consist of classical music and cocktail style piano playing. John graduated from Syracuse University with a degree in Piano and attended Manhattan School of Music after that.

## LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

BOOK TALK WITH ELIZABETH OLESH  
MONDAYS @ 7:30 PM

MAY 9 *THE SURRENDERED* BY CHANG-RAE LEE  
JUNE 13 *THE PICKUP* BY NADINE GORDIMER

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**LEARN HOW TO USE YOUR NOOK**

TUESDAY, MAY 10 2:00 PM

**BARNES & NOBLE**  
MANHASSET



**BARNES & BRYANT TEAM UP TO TEACH YOU ALL THE FEATURES OF THE NOOK!**

### EATING FOR ENERGY

TUESDAY, MAY 17 7:00 PM

BY ROYA A. FOROUZESH, HEALTH COACH  
*Pre-Registration required. Please click on the event on our Calendar of Events on our Web site.* What would your life be like if you had an abundance of energy and vitality? Join me in this invigorating workshop and learn about the factors that contribute to your sense of energy and vitality. Learn about the foods that increase or decrease your energy.

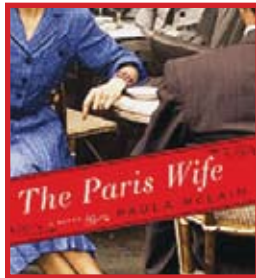
### VIRTUOSO SUPERSTARS OF CLASSICAL MUSIC

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 1:30 PM

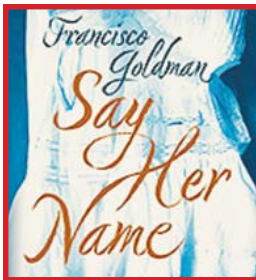
*THE SENIOR GENERATION*  
VIDEO PRESENTATION BY PHILIP MALAMUD  
This program focuses on artists in their 60s and beyond who still thrill us. Performers include Pollini, Perlman and others.

### DO YOU RUN TO GET THE BOOKS THAT ARE ... **HOT OFF THE PRESS?**

Bryant Librarians and Staff invite you to a lively discussion of the book that everyone is reading! We meet on the LAST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 1PM. Bring your book and your lunch. Dessert and coffee are on us!



MAY 31  
**THE PARIS WIFE**  
by PAULA MCLAIN



&  
JUNE 28  
**SAY HER NAME**  
by FRANCISCO GOLDMAN

Please call the Reference Desk for further information

### YOUR DEPENDENT WITH SPECIAL NEEDS: MAKING THEIR FUTURE MORE SECURE

TUESDAY, JUNE 14 7:00 PM  
WITH JOSEPH A. PARISI, SPECIAL NEEDS PLANNER, FINANCIAL REPRESENTATIVE, NEW ENGLAND WEALTH STRATEGIES

Families with children and other dependents with special needs, no matter what the age or disability, face many serious questions about how to best prepare for their future well-being. This workshop addresses such critical issues as protecting government benefit eligibility for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), creating Special Needs Trusts and the importance of a will. Taking steps now can help arrange for a loved one's well-being today and tomorrow.

### CURRENT EVENTS WITH IVAN KRAKOWSKY ON TUESDAYS

MAY 17, JUNE 21 1:00 PM  
Ivan Krakowsky will take you behind the headlines and explore current news items. Mr. Krakowsky is a former Head of Social Studies for Farmingdale Public Schools.

### HOME & ESTATE ORGANIZING SEMINAR THE FIVE SIMPLE STEPS TO PREPARING YOUR HOME FOR SALE



Please join Amanda Hill, M.B.A. and Judy Crabtree, M.B.A., founders of *So Simply Organized*, for an informative, interactive and always enjoyable workshop for people looking to downsize or have parents who are downsizing and learn the five simple steps to preparing your home for sale quickly and efficiently while helping those in need.

- Are your family treasures and cherished memorabilia being safely stored?
- Are your important documents accounted for?
- Are you or your parents overwhelmed with the thought of downsizing or elder-proofing?

Attendees of this seminar will be inspired and motivated to get started with the process of preparing your home for sale. Amanda and Judy will share their experiences and knowledge drawing from over 5 years of helping people move in and out of their homes.

### FRIENDS FREE MUSEUM PASS PROGRAM TWO NEW MUSEUM PASSES ADDED THANKS TO FRIENDS OF BRYANT LIBRARY

The Bryant Museum Pass Program, sponsored by the Friends of the Bryant Library has 2 new Passes as of May 1st. **THE INTREPID SEA, AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM IN NEW YORK & THE GARVIES POINT MUSEUM AND PRESERVE IN GLEN COVE.** Take advantage of the opportunity to visit these new museums for free with no waiting in line! The program is offered to Bryant cardholders only.

The Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum Pass admits up to 6 people per day for free and allows access to Express members-only line and a discount of \$10.00 off parking at the Park Right Garage (located on 44th St. and 11th Ave.) The Garvies Point Museum and Preserve Pass admits up to 4 adults or 2 (13 or older) adults and 4 children and provides a 10% discount in the Gift Shop and Free parking.

Check out the other great museums that are part of Friends Free Museum Pass Program: **MUSEUM OF MODERN ART (MoMA), GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM (reciprocal privileges at BROOKLYN MUSEUM), AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, CRADLE OF AVIATION, LONG ISLAND CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, THE NASSAU COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART and OLD WESTBURY GARDENS**

Patrons can reserve passes online through The Bryant's Online Reservation System by going to our homepage @ [www.bryantlibrary.org](http://www.bryantlibrary.org) and clicking on the Museum Pass icon. Look for the Request Pass Button to see if the Museum Pass is available. Reservations can also be made at the Reference desk or from computers within the Library.

### TURNING YOUR DAYDREAMS INTO WRITING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 7:00 PM

A WRITING WORKSHOP LED BY  
YOUNG ADULT AUTHOR  
**LINDA FRANK**

Please register by clicking on the event on our Web site. All participants will receive a copy of Linda's book.

This workshop focuses on how participants can use their day dreams to improve their writing skills, and create interesting stories that are satisfying writing experiences for them. The workshop includes a Power Point detailing a day dreaming/writing exercise. It entails giving participants a framework of ideas to unlock their ability to turn their day dreams into writing. Linda will explain to the students how I progressed from a B student in writing to publishing a book by using my day dreams and the life experiences they produced. She will give tips on how to develop plots, characters, and settings. The workshop is open to and welcomes all would be writers.



## EXERCISE/HEALTH CLASSES

Registration underway. Class size limited. Check on availability. Checks only, made payable to Bryant Library

### YOGA WITH DONNA ROVEGNO

Fee: \$40 for entire class

Checks only, made out to Bryant Library

Class Dates: Tuesdays, May 10, 24, 31, June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 12, 19, 26, August 2, 9, 16, 23, 10:30am

### ZUMBILATES WITH MARLENE KIRSH

Fee: \$60, Class Dates: Wednesdays, May 11, 18, 25 (start time 11:15am), June 1 (start time 11:15am), 8, 15, 22, 29, July 6, 13, 20, 27 11:00 AM

Or

Fridays, May 13, 27, June 3, 10, 17, 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, August 5 9:15 AM

### THURSDAY NIGHT YOGA W/ DONNA ROVEGNO

Fee: \$27 for adults, \$17 for teens

May 5, 12, 19, 26, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 7:30pm

### THE ALEXANDER TECHNIQUE

#### LECTURE BY GARY ADELMAN

THURSDAY, JUNE 9

1:00 PM

The Alexander Technique is a practical method of re-learning to use our bodies in the natural, effortless way we used them as young children. Tension accumulates as our lives progress and becomes fixed in the body in the form of chronic muscular tension and disturbs our balance, poise, flexibility and coordinated movement. Breathing gets disturbed and sometimes there is pain and discomfort.

Thru hands on guidance and verbal cues, Alexander technique students learn to pay attention to how they use their bodies in their daily activities, to notice the level of effort and tension and to re-direct their thinking to change their body use to a more healthy, natural one. Movement becomes easier and more fluid, posture and breathing improve and there is a sense of increased energy and vitality as the body finds its own natural poise.

Gary Adelman has taught the Alexander Technique for over 16 years. He is a certified teacher and graduate of a 1600 hour teacher training course. Gary has a private practice in the Alexander Technique in Glen Head, NY. Gary has taught the Alexander Technique full-time at Princeton University as well as Babson College.



## AUTHOR VISIT *Continued from Front Cover*

### SUSAN LUCCI

#### ALL MY LIFE: A MEMOIR

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11 7:00 PM

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Susan Lucci won the Emmy award for best actress for her role as Erica Kane on ABC's All My Children in May 1999, garnered her own star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame six years later in January 2005, and was inducted into the Broadcasting Hall of Fame in 2006. Among her many honors, she was named one of VH-1's "200 Top Icons of all Time," one of E! Entertainment's "The Top Entertainers of the Year," and one of Barbara Walters's "Ten Most Fascinating People." She was also the only daytime actress to ever have won the People's Choice Award. In addition, Susan has participated on Dancing with the Stars, hosted Saturday Night Live, guest-starred in series on ABC and the Disney Channel, and starred in numerous television movies. Ms. Lucci's career also extends to theater and cabaret. In addition she has performed solo in her own nightclub act and with Regis Philbin before sold-out crowds nationwide. In 1999 she made her triumphant Broadway debut starring as Annie Oakley in the revival of Irving Berlin's Annie Get Your Gun. She is also a successful entrepreneur with her own signature line of beauty, jewelry, and fitness products which are sold on Home Shopping Network. She lives in Garden City, New York, with her husband Helmut Huber.



## FRIDAY FILMS @ 7:00PM

### MAY 13 BLACK SWAN

(2011, Directed by Darren Aronofsky, Rated R, 108 minutes)

A psychological thriller set in the world of New York City ballet. An insecure ballet dancer wins the lead in Swan Lake but slowly loses her grip on sanity when a seductive newcomer is out to steal her role. The film stars Natalie Portman, Mila Kunis, Barbara Hershey, Vincent Cassel and Winona Ryder.



### MAY 27 THE TOURIST

(2011, Directed by Florian Henckel Von Donnersmarck, Rated PG13, 103 minutes)

The film stars Johnny Depp, Angliana Jolie, Paul Bettany and Timothy Dalton. During an impromptu trip to Europe to mend a broken heart, Frank unexpectedly finds himself in a flirtatious encounter with Elise, an extraordinary woman who deliberately crosses his path. Against the breathtaking backdrop of Paris and Venice, their whirlwind romance quickly evolves as they find themselves unwittingly thrust into a deadly game of cat and mouse.



### JUNE 24 NO STRINGS ATTACHED

(2011, Directed by Ivan Reitman, Rated R, 108 minutes)

Emma and Adam are lifelong friends who almost ruin everything by having sex one morning. To protect their friendship, they make a pact to keep their relationship strictly 'no strings attached.' That means no jealousy, no expectations, no fighting, no flowers, and no baby voices. They can do whatever they want, whenever they want, wherever they want, as long as they don't fall in love. The question becomes: who's going to fall first? And can their friendship survive? The film stars Natalie Portman, Ashton Kutcher, Kevin Kline and Cary Elwes.



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### BRYANT FRIENDS FREE MUSEUM PASS PROGRAM

Two New Museum Passes added thanks to Friends of Bryant Library as of May 1:  
THE INTREPID SEA, AIR & SPACE MUSEUM IN NEW YORK &  
THE GARVIES POINT MUSEUM & PRESERVE IN GLEN COVE See story, bottom left

## ROSLYN MIDDLE SCHOOL ART SHOW

MAY 6 - MAY 31 (Length of the show may Change)

RECEPTION: MONDAY, MAY 9 7:00 PM

This year marks the 1<sup>st</sup> show of strictly Middle School student art work. The entire community is invited to the reception to celebrate the student's work. Along with viewing the creations of these talented young people, there will be live music provided by Roslyn student musicians. Enjoy the food, beverages, music and art at the reception.

## ART EXHIBIT BY AMY SCHENKER

JUNE 20-AUGUST 19 RECEPTION: TUESDAY, JUNE 21 7:00 PM

Amy Schenker was born in 1989 in Rockville Centre, New York. After graduating from Baldwin Senior High School with distinctions, she went on to attend Maryland Institute College of Art, where she just graduated, receiving a Bachelors Degree in General Fine Arts. She will continue her education at MICA until May of 2012 when she receives her Masters in Arts and Teaching.

Her work is mostly based on the beauty and colors found in nature, and the media includes painting, drawing, photography and installation. She transforms a space to make the viewers active participants, feeling as if they are not in the real world for a moment, but in a new fantastical place. Drawing her inspiration from natural things like flowers, galaxies and underwater sea life, growing forms take shape on her paper. Schenker is attracted to colorful and bizarre things in nature.

The forms she makes further explore the weird things that sometimes are real. As her work explores the shapes, patterns and colors of these changing pieces of nature, she has been able to step out of the rigid box and be more free and loose with her movements and strokes.

Schenker has recently had a solo show at the Bellmore Memorial Library and at Baldwin Public Library, as well as several group shows in various locations around Baltimore and New York State. She recently co-curated several small shows in a student gallery at MICA. She is currently working and living between Baltimore Maryland, and Long Island New York. A percentage of her sales will be donated to support and save the world's coral reefs. See more of her artwork at [www.AmySchenker.weebly.com](http://www.AmySchenker.weebly.com)



Library Director Cathy Mealing, Glen Cove Library Director Antonia Petrash and Library Board Vice-President Julie Klein at the reception celebrating the return of the modernized elevator to service.



Art by Amy Schenker

## MAIN FLOOR SHOWCASE

### MAY PAINTING BY JUDITH LEVY

Judith has lived in Roslyn Heights for 36 years. I have always been interested in art, and as a New York City school teacher for 33 years I often integrated it into my curriculum. But it wasn't until she retired in 2001 that I began to paint. "Since I love the look of watercolor, its lightness and its transparency, I chose that as my medium and have been painting and taking lessons at various art schools for the past ten years. I have displayed my work at several Long Island art shows.

### JUNE SCULPTURE BY STUDENTS OF CARLA RABEN

An assortment of sculptures by students of Carla Raben will be on display. Carla, who teaches at Roslyn Adult Education, is known for her figurative and contemporary non-objective design sculpture in stone and terracotta. Her award winning work has been exhibited throughout the metropolitan area and she has been affiliated with several prestigious galleries, including the Robley Gallery and Gallery Authentique, both in Roslyn, and Simply Soho in Mineola.

## SMILING FACES AT THIS YEAR'S ROSLYN SCHOOL DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL ART SHOW RECEPTION.



# CHILDREN

All registration dates refer to in-person registration and apply to children of Bryant Library cardholders. Please have library card with you on day of registration. Others may check on availability the day before the program.

## 18 MONTHS – AGE 5

Registration has begun. Call to check on availability.

**TINY TOTS** 18 MONTHS - 5 YEARS  
THURSDAYS: MAY 5, 12, 19, 26

10:15 - 11:15 AM or 11:30 - 12:30 PM or 1 - 2 PM  
A discovery program for 18 month – 5 years-olds with parent or caregiver. Each of the 4 sessions will include interesting crafts, movement activities, and songs. Some activities will be practiced each week. It's fun and exciting! Children must be 18 months old by May 1.

## HEIGHTS & HARBOR HILL ART RECEPTION

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11 3:30 – 5 PM  
Art created by first graders will be on display through the month of May.

## GRADES K- 5

Registration has begun. Call to check on availability.

**SACK FULL OF SURPRISES** GRADES 1 – 3  
FRIDAY, MAY 6 4 – 5 PM

May is National Bike Month and Get Caught Reading Month. We will share stories about outdoor fun and our favorite activities.

Registration begins on April 29 for:

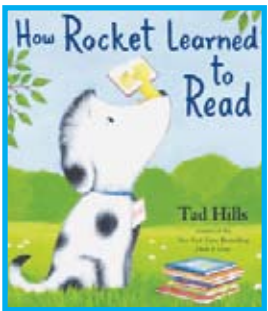
### FATHER'S DAY CRAFT:

**DAD'S WASTEBASKET** K – GRADE 5  
FRIDAY, JUNE 3 4 – 5 PM or 5:30 – 6:30 PM

Decoupage assorted images onto a wastebasket, personalize with markers, add sponge painting around the rim, then attach a shirt, tie and hankie for a terrific gift for that special man in your life.

Invitations available beginning Wednesday, May 11 for

**AUTHOR VISIT FRIDAY, JUNE 10**  
4 - 5 PM OR 5:30 – 6:30 PM



## TAD HILLS & HIS DOG, ROCKET! HOW ROCKET LEARNED TO READ

**KINDERGARTEN – GRADE 3**  
3 Older siblings welcome.

Tad Hills is the author and illustrator of the well known *Duck & Goose* series and, most recently, the bestselling picture book *How Rocket Learned to Read*.

Tad studied painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, creative writing, and poetry at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. but says that his greatest education came with the arrival of his two children. The seed idea for *How Rocket Learned to Read* was planted when my family and I got a dog and named him Rocket. We fell instantly in love with our puppy and I knew he would, in some way, inspire a book. A year later, I used him as the subject for a magazine cover illustration. That cover—an image of a dog sitting quietly with a little yellow bird perched on his nose reading—inspired the story. So I think I can say that I did not choose to write this story, it chose me.

*How Rocket Learned to Read* will be available for purchase and autographing at the event. Mark your calendar now to meet Tad and Rocket!

## SUMMER READING PROGRAMS



For independent readers in K-Grade 5



& For ages 2 - 6

## READ AROUND THE WORLD

**Read-To-Me Program**  
Bryant Library cardholders begin listing books Monday, June 13. Others may call the Children's Department on/after July 5 to check on availability.

### CALLING ALL WORLD TRAVELERS!

Don't miss out on the chance to read round the world! Pick up great prizes for reading each week, enter guessing contests, and more.

## 12 MONTHS – 24 MONTHS

Registration begins Friday, June 24 for:

**GIGGLES & WIGGLES** 12 – 18 MONTHS  
MONDAYS: JULY 11, 18, 25 AUGUST 1 OR  
TUESDAYS: JULY 12, 19, 26 AUGUST 2

9:45 – 10:15 AM

Music, fingerplays, toys, & simple stories will help develop early literacy skills. Parent or guardian must accompany the child. Child must be 12 months by July 15. The Friends of Bryant Library support the cost of "Born to Read" gift bags and books.

**LITTLE SPROUTS** 18 - 24 MONTHS  
MONDAYS: JULY 11, 18, 25 AUGUST 1 OR  
TUESDAYS: JULY 12, 19, 26 AUGUST 2

11 – 11:30 AM

Toys, books, and fun await little ones. Parent or guardian must accompany the child. Child must be 18 months by July 15. The Friends of Bryant Library support the cost of the gift book, *Read to Your Bunny* by Rosemary Wells.

## AGES 2 – 3 ½

Registration begins Friday, June 24 for:

**GLOBAL PALS: A STORY & A CRAFT**  
(WITH PARENT OR GUARDIAN)  
WEDNESDAYS: JULY 13, 20, 27 AUGUST 3  
2 – 2:45 PM OR 4 – 4:45 PM

We will share some of our favorite storybooks in this program for Toddlers with parent/caregiver. Stories, crafts and fun activities will bring these books to life.

## AGES 3 ½ - 5

Registration begins Friday, June 24 for:

**PAJAMA STORYTIME**  
WEDNESDAYS: JULY 13, 20, 27, AUGUST 3  
7 – 7:30 PM

For children Ages 3 ½ - 5 (For children not yet in Kindergarten) We invite children to bring their favorite sleepytime friends, and wear pajamas if they wish, while enjoying a variety of stories, activities and fingerplays.



## ENTERING GRADES 1- 6

Registration begins Friday, June 24 for:

# SIZZLING SUMMER SPECIALS

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Due to anticipated high demand, please select two of the following programs. Registration will re-open on Friday, July 8 to fill any remaining spaces.

**MARINE BIOLOGISTS**  
BY COLD SPRING HARBOR WHALING MUSEUM  
TUESDAY, JULY 12 OR THURSDAY, JULY 14  
5 – 6 PM OR 6:30 – 7:30 PM

**GLOBAL PILLOWS**  
PRESENTED BY SHIRLEY RUBY  
TUESDAY, JULY 19 OR THURSDAY, JULY 21  
5 – 6 PM OR 6:30 – 7:30 PM

**EARTH RESCUE SCIENTISTS**  
BY COLD SPRING HARBOR WHALING MUSEUM  
TUESDAY, JULY 26 OR THURSDAY, JULY 28  
5 – 6 PM OR 6:30 – 7:30 PM

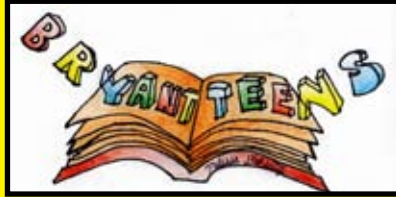
**READY, SET, GO!**  
PRESENTED BY LICM  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2 OR THURSDAY, AUGUST 4  
5 – 6 PM OR 6:30 – 7:30 PM



**IN PERSON!**  
**AUTHOR TAD HILLS & HIS DOG, ROCKET!**  
FRIDAY, JUNE 10



## YOUNG ADULT HAPPENINGS



### HOW TO PAY FOR COLLEGE WITHOUT GOING BROKE

SATURDAY, MAY 14 2 - 4 PM

Jan and Tony Esposito will teach you what you need to know to successfully navigate the road to higher education. They will share with you the proven techniques and strategies they use to help hundreds of families send their children to the college of their choice without going broke. This program is free! Please register in person or by phone at the Reference Desk.

### INTERNATIONAL FOOD DAY

SATURDAY, MAY 21 1 - 4 PM

Welcome to a family program for all ages! Our young adults have planned an international day of food and festivities. Please come and sample the traditional foods, music, fun, and games of various international cultures as you travel "around the world" with us! This program will be fun for hungry people of all ages. Come get your passport stamped with us! Materials fee: \$3 per person, with a maximum of \$10 per family. Sign up at Reference in person or by phone.

## GREAT GIFTS IN STORE @ FRIENDS BOOKSTORE

Are moms and dads, brides and grads on your shopping list? Check out our wide selection of brand new books for readers of all interests. And if you've got kids, a donation of excellent books for all grade levels has just come in. Most of those paperbacks are 50c and most hardcovers priced at \$1.00!

LOCATED ACROSS FROM THE LIBRARY ON PAPER MILL ROAD, HOURS ARE:

SATURDAYS 10 - 4  
TUESDAYS 12 - 4  
WEDNESDAYS 1 - 4



Roberta Balfus--Always at the heart of the Friends!

### INTERVIEW WITH ROBERTA BALFUS *Continued from Page 3*

Roberta's love of books inspired her to get involved with the Friends' Bookstore, which was begun by another Friends' member, Helen de Neergaard. Once Roberta took it over, she got the word out to the community and the book donations started flowing. She says, "We never took books that the Library discarded, instead, we accepted donations and received books in excellent condition and brand new books too."

The bookstore is open Wednesday afternoons and Saturdays as well as any day by appointment. Roberta's pleasure in running the store is palpable, as she adds, "I have a great love for retailing, I particularly enjoy meeting people who love the store and see it as a meeting place."

I asked Roberta what she is most proud of concerning Friends' activities and fundraisers. She quickly mentions the William Cullen Bryant Lecture series, originally established by Norma Perlman and Fay Leavy, "Many members of the Friends Board continue to work on this event, bringing to the community true luminaries in American Arts and Science.

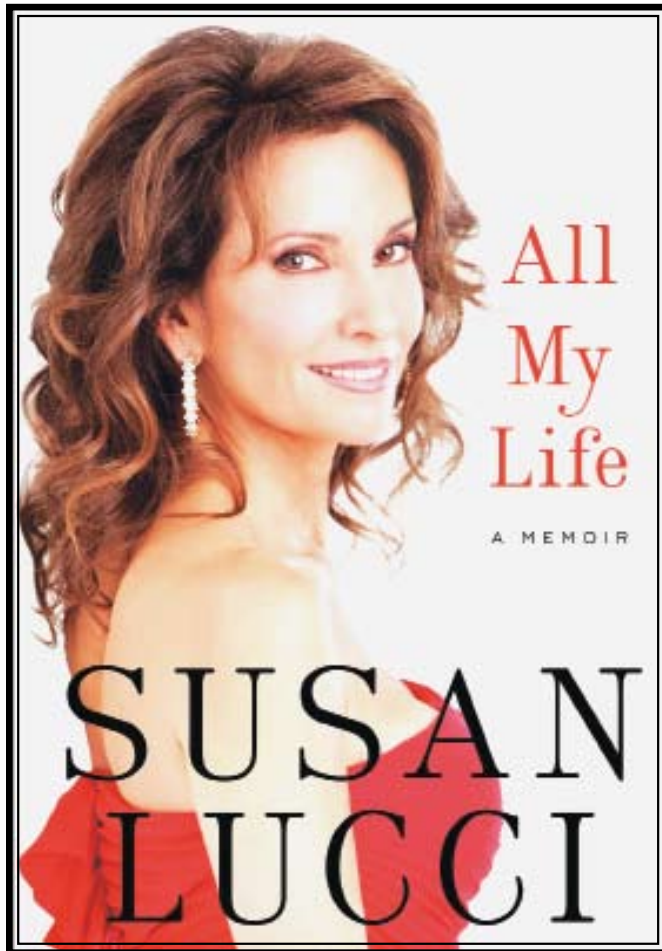
The outstanding list of people who have presented at these Lectures include Nobel Prize winners and major figures in journalism and science. It is another Friends' gift to the community."

As times change and technology evolves, Roberta notes the continued importance and relevance of today's reference librarian, "Patrons and users need help learning how to use the technology as it continues to change - librarians enhance this service."

She also adds how lucky we are to have Cathy Mealing as Library Director, "Cathy once told me that before she went to sleep at night, while others were reading mysteries, she'd be reading computer manuals. We have remarkable leadership at the Bryant Library, Cathy is a real gift to Roslyn."

As we closed the interview, I asked Roberta what the Library means to her. Here's what she said, "For me, it's been a very important part of my life, both as someone who enjoys receiving the services and for someone who helps produce them."

## WEVE GOT YOUR IN-PERSON AUTHORS!



**SUSAN LUCCI**  
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### TURNING YOUR DAYDREAMS INTO WRITING

A WRITING WORKSHOP FOR ALL AGES BY YOUNG ADULT AUTHOR

**LINDA FRANK**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18  
7:00 PM

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### LIBRARY HOURS

Weekdays, except Wednesday 9 - 9  
Wednesdays 10 - 9  
Children's Room 9 - 8  
Saturdays 9 - 5  
Sunday (May 1) 1 - 5

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Memorial Day Weekend Closed  
Saturday, May 28 Closed  
Sunday May 29 Closed  
Monday, May 30 Closed

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## LIBRARY BUDGET VOTE

TUESDAY, MAY 17

7 AM - 9 PM @ ROSLYN HIGH SCHOOL.

The Library Budget will appear, as it does each year, as Proposition #2 on the Ballot.

**BRYANT LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS @7:30 PM**

Monday, May 16 and Monday, June 20