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Long Island Library Resources Council*

Spring 2012 Documentary Heritage Program Workshops:

Title: Basics of Archives I

Date: March 9, 2012

Time: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Presenter: Antonia Mattheou, Archivist-Huntington Town Clerk's Archives

Place: Harborfields Public Library, Greenlawn, New York

This workshop is designed for people who work or volunteer in organizations that deal with the past—whether it's a museum, historic house, the city clerk's office, the library's local history room, a historic site, or a college archives.

Workshop participants will be introduced to basic archival principles and practices so they can collect, protect, and help people use the historical treasures in their care.

Title: Arrangement & Description of Historical Materials

Date: April 25, 2012

Time: 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Presenter: Antonia Mattheou, Archivist-Huntington Town Clerk's Archives

Place: Harborfields Public Library, Greenlawn, New York

This workshop introduces participants to the basic principles and practices for arranging and describing historical records, including personal and family papers, as well as business and organizational records.

Participants will learn core terminology; learn concepts and standards used by the archival profession relating to arrangement and description; and become familiar with access tools that can be developed to make historical records available for use. **(Pre-requisite for this course-Basics of Archives I)**

Date: May 16, 2012

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Title: Basics of Archives II

Place: Harborfields Public Library, Greenlawn, New York

A panel of archivists will provide information and “hands on” training for participants who have attended the Basics of Archives I workshop. This workshop will cover the very basics of what to do when you are given a collection to process. Topics to be covered include cleaning and re-housing of materials.

LILRC CONGRATULATES ELLY SHODELL

Elly Shodell, director of the Local History Center of the Port Washington Public Library, has received a Fulbright Specialist grant in the field of Library Science. The goal of the program is to promote increased connections between educational and cultural institutions around the world. Shodell will spend a semester in Mozambique providing training to archivists, records managers and graduate history students and lead workshops at the National Archives on disaster preparedness and oral history.

Looking Back on the 16th Annual Archives Month Conference *Long Island and the Sea—Part I*

The conference was held at the beautiful Village Club of Sands Point, New York on October 7, 2011.

The keynote speaker for the conference was Adam Grohman, Director of Student Conduct and Community Education at Long Island University, and author of many books relating to maritime history.

Guest speakers were: Barbara Russell, Brookhaven Town Historian, and Helen Didriksen, Trustee of the Southold Historical Society.

Please hold the date and join us on October 5, 2012 for Part II of “Long Island and the Sea”. Details will be available in 2012.



Pictured Above: Keynote speaker Adam Grohman (left) and guest speaker Barbara Russell (right)



Pictured Above: Guest speaker Helen Didriksen (left).

Congratulations to the Town of Brookhaven

The Town of Brookhaven has been designated by First Lady, Michelle Obama, as a Preserve America Community. Communities designated through this program receive national recognition for their accomplishments in preserving special places and telling the nation’s story.

Brookhaven is one of only four Long Island communities that received the Preserve America Community Certificate, the others are: Oyster Bay Hamlet, Shelter Island, and Great Neck Plaza.

Through cooperative projects between government and not-for-profit organizations, Hobbs Farm in Centereach was saved; buildings were restored such as the Swan River Schoolhouse in Patchogue and the Long Island Music Hall of Fame building in Port Jefferson. The newest building added to the list is the Terryville Union Hall circa 1887, which was restored through the efforts of Brookhaven Town Councilman Steve Fiore-Rosenfeld and the Cumsewogue-Terryville Historical Society. The historic photo exhibits that are held at the Village Center of Port Jefferson make the history of Brookhaven’s towns and villages available to the general public for both pleasure and education.

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