



The

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LIBRARY

The Newsletter of the Northport-East Northport Public Library

FOR ADULTS

The Tyranny of Stuff

(N) Tuesday, February 3, 2:30 p.m.

Soon it will be time for Spring cleaning! But why is it so hard to ditch all that stuff? Judi Culbertson, author of *Scaling Down* and *The Clutter Cure*, explores the reasons why it is so hard to let go. She will discuss strategies for mastering your environment and getting organized. No registration required.

Valentine's Dinner with Chef Rob Scott



(N) Thursday, February 5, 7:00 p.m.

Get ready for Valentine's Day with Chef Rob Scott. Learn to make a chopped apple and spinach salad with walnuts and pomegranate vinaigrette, chicken corn chowder, and white chocolate-dipped strawberries. A non-refundable \$5 fee is payable at registration which began January 10 at either library building. (NENA491)

Northport Arts Coalition presents A Chinese New Year Celebration

(N) Wednesday, February 11, 7:00 p.m.

The Northport Arts Coalition invites you to enjoy a performance by the New York Long Island Chorus. Under the direction of Professor Haihua Shen, the chorus is actively involved in cultural development and has performed at numerous venues throughout New York City and Long Island. No registration required.

Sagamore Hill: Updating Roosevelt's Home



(N) Thursday, February 12, 2:30 p.m.

The Theodore Roosevelt Home at Sagamore Hill is currently undergoing a comprehensive renovation. Museum curator Susan Sarna will outline the phases of this extensive project which includes the relocation of 18,000 historic artifacts. Ms. Sarna collaborated with Ken Burns on the PBS documentary *The Roosevelts* and will discuss the filming of the series. No registration required.

Let's Talk: English Conversation

(EN) Fridays, February 13 & 27, 7:00 p.m.

Would you like to practice your English in a friendly atmosphere? Join our informal conversation group. No registration required.

Lung Cancer Screening

(N) Friday, February 13, 2:30 p.m.

How effective is lung cancer screening? Who should get screened and what methods are currently available? Learn about the critical importance of lung cancer screenings with Vijay Singh, M.D., of the North Shore LIJ Health System. No registration required.



Health Insurance Counseling

(N) Tuesday, February 17, 9:30-11:30 a.m. by appt.

A volunteer from the Health Insurance Information Counseling & Assistance Program (HICAP) will provide individual counseling to answer your questions about Medicare and supplementary insurance. Registration begins February 2 at either library or online. (NENA494)

Seals of Long Island

(N) Wednesday, February 18, 7:00 p.m.

Learn about the seals and other marine mammals that inhabit our local waters with a representative from the Riverhead Foundation for Marine Preservation. Find out what to do if you come across seals and other aquatic animals on the beach. No registration required.



Profiles in Presidential Leadership

(N) Thursday, February 19, 7:00 p.m.

In his book *Profiles in Presidential Leadership*, Rip Walsh, M.S., E.D., explores the presidencies of George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, and Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and examines how other presidents have measured up in terms of their leadership. Mr. Walsh is a Social Studies teacher and avid student of U.S. History. No registration required.

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Extreme Design Makeover

(N) Tuesday, February 24, 7:00 p.m.

Interior designer Jacqui Palatnik will show you how to make easy but dramatic changes in your home using

color, space planning, wall coverings, window treatments, flooring, and accessories. There will be visual material, a PowerPoint presentation, and hand-outs. No registration required.

The New Face of Heroin and Opiate Addiction: What Every Family Needs to Know

(N) Wednesday, February 25, 7:00 p.m.

Long Island has been hit hard by our nation's prescription drug and heroin epidemic. Lisa Finn, LCSW, CASAC of Phoenix House will help us understand and address this public health crisis. She will discuss the signs of addiction, what to look for when a friend or family member is in trouble, as well as available local community resources. No registration required.

Current Events in Perspective

(N) Thursday, February 26, 7:00 p.m.

Join Michael D'Innocenzo, professor of history at Hofstra University, and explore significant national and international developments. All attending are welcome to share their views. No registration required.

New Museum Passes

Did you know that you can visit more than 20 area museums free of charge? Recently, the Friends of the Library generously funded three new Museum Passes: **The Nassau County Museum of Art, The New York City Fire Museum, and The Shinnecock Nation Cultural Center & Museum.** Thanks to a donation from The Huntington Quilting Guild, you may also borrow a membership pass to the **American Folk Art Museum.** Although admission to this museum is free, the pass provides program, store, and parking discounts.

For specific information about the Library's Museum Passes, please visit www.nenpl.org and click on the **Museums** link. If you need help making a pass reservation, please ask a Reference Librarian.

Computer Programs

Introduction to Windows 8.1

(N) Tuesday, February 10, 7:00 p.m.

Learn to use Windows 8.1 to work with files, folders, applications, and more. Prerequisite: Introduction to Computers or equivalent. Registration begins January 27 at either library or online. (NENC131)

Microsoft 3D MakerBot Printer Demonstration

(N) Thursday, February 12, 6:30 p.m.

For adults and children ages 10 and up

Discover the world of 3D printing in this presentation by a Microsoft representative. Learn about the many uses of 3D printing and come away with ideas on how it can apply to your creative and business needs. No registration required.

SeniorNet: Researching Health Issues Online

(EN) Tuesday, February 17, 4:00 p.m.

Discover the best websites for educating yourself about health issues. Learn how to research physicians, including information on education, board certifications, legal actions, and more. No registration required.

Learn About Facebook, Twitter & YouTube

(EN) Monday, February 23, 7:00 p.m.

What are social networking sites like Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube all about? Find out at this demonstration class. We will discuss social networking sites, instant messenger programs, and blogs. Learn how to post pictures and videos online and much more. No registration required.

SeniorNet: Dazzling iPad Apps

(N) Thursday, February 26, 4:00 p.m.

Join us to see in-depth demonstrations of apps that take advantage of the iPad's unique multimedia and display abilities. Topics will include educational, reading (eBooks and eMagazines), and entertainment apps. Bring your iPad or iPhone. No registration required.

Introduction to eBay

(EN) Monday, March 9, 7:00 p.m.

In this lecture and demonstration class you will learn how to buy and sell items using eBay, the online auction website. Topics will include creating an account, checking reliability of sellers and buyers, online safety, and more. No registration required.

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Short Story Central

(N) Tuesday, February 3, 7:00 p.m.

This month we take a look at stories from *Stay Up with Me* by Tom Barbash. Please pick up your copies of the stories at the Circulation Desk.

BOOK GROUPS



Page Turners

(N) Thursday, February 5, 2:00 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of *The Master Butcher's Singing Club* by Louise Erdrich. Copies will be available at the Northport Library Circulation Desk.

Novel Ideas

(N) Monday, February 23, 7:00 p.m.

This month we take a look at *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemingway. Please pick up your copy of the book at the Northport Library Circulation Desk.

Fireside Reads



Read your way through the Winter and take part in our prize raffle! You can join our **Adult**

Winter Reading Club anytime between January 12 and March 12. For complete details please ask a Reference Librarian or click on the **Adult Winter Reading Club** link at www.nenpl.org.



AARP Tax-Aide (registration required)

AARP Tax-Aide is a free service helping low and middle-income taxpayers, with special attention to

seniors. Please bring current tax records and copies of your last filed federal and state tax returns. To expedite the preparation process, please pick up an **Intake/Interview Form (#13614-C)** at the Reference Desk prior to your appointment.

Registration for all February appointments begins February 1 at either library or online.

(EN) Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
All February Thursday appointments (NENA492)

(N) Fridays, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
All February Friday appointments (NENA493)

Registration for all March appointments begins February 25 at either library or online.

(EN) Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
All March Thursday appointments (NENA496)

(N) Fridays, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
All March Friday appointments (NENA497)

Defensive Driving

(N) Saturday, February 21, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Fee: \$36

Applications are available now at both library buildings.

(EN) Saturday, March 14, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Fee: \$36

Applications are available February 17 at both library buildings.

AARP Smart Driver Course

(N) Mondays, March 2 & 9, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Registration begins February 14 at the Northport building. (NENA495)

AARP's course promotes safe driving and helps older drivers maintain their skills. The fee is \$20 for AARP members (\$25 for non-members), payable to AARP by **check or money order only** at registration.

Defensive Driving

Adult Programs coming in early March:

Kings Park: Stories from an American Mental Institution

(N) Sunday, March 1, 1:30 p.m.

Filmmaker Lucy Winer returns to our Library with her provocative documentary *Kings Park: Stories from an American Mental Institution*. As a teenager, Ms. Winer was committed to the Kings Park State Hospital. Her look back to the now-abandoned institution includes interviews with former patients, families, and staff, and reveals the painful legacy of our state hospital system. A viewing of *Kings Park* (108 min.) will be followed by a discussion with Lucy Winer. Those showing an NENPL Library Card will be seated first.

The Poetry Readers

(EN) Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 2:30 p.m.

"Spring is the mischief in me . . ." said poet Robert Frost. Join Bob Little and The Poetry Readers to explore, discuss, and enjoy a sampling of the best in American and British poetry, both traditional and modern. No registration required.

Love Songs of the Celts

(N) Sunday, March 8, 2:00 p.m.

Commemorate Valentine's Day and the Spring season with the exceptionally talented Celeste Ray Trio. Accompanied by the bowed psaltery, flute, and harmonium, the trio will perform time-honored Irish and Scottish love songs. No registration required. Those showing an NENPL Library Card will be seated first.

FOR TEENS

Registration for Teen programs and Volunteer Opportunities begins February 3 at either library or online.

Board Game Bonanza Drop-in

(N) Tuesday, February 17, 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Bring a friend, or come solo, to the Teen Center to play some games from the great game kit. Games include 7 Wonders, Lords of Waterdeep, Dominion, Incan Gold, King of Tokyo, and Ticket to Ride. No registration required.

DIY T-Shirt Tote Bag

(EN) Wednesday, February 18, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Join us in making a t-shirt tote bag. We will repurpose an old t-shirt using a no-sew technique. Please bring one or two t-shirts that will be cut and used as your tote bag. (NENY669)

It's Hip to Dip

(N) Thursday, February 19, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Join chef Jo-Ann Tiranno as we enjoy a delicious pizza fondue and end with a chocolate fondue dessert. (NENY670)



Super Smash Brothers

Wii U Competition

(N) Friday, February 20, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

It's back! Join your friends in this Super Smash Brothers Wii U competition. Prizes will be awarded to the top three players. (NENY671)

Fandom Friday: Fan Art Workshop

(N) Friday, February 27, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Come join your fellow fandom fans in this special Fandom Friday art workshop. We will look at different forms of fan art and make some of our own! Snacks will also be provided. (NENY672)

Teen Volunteer Opportunities

Open to students in grades 7-12

You may choose one Volunteer Opportunity in addition to Teen Advisory Board.

Chess Club Volunteers

(N) Thursday, February 5, 6:45-8:00 p.m.

Earn volunteer credit as you help children learn chess. A basic knowledge of the game is required for all volunteers. (NENY673)

Teen Advisory Board: Project Linus

(N) Monday, February 9, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Join us to make no-sew fleece blankets. The mission of Project Linus is to provide a sense of security, warmth, and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets created by volunteer "blanketeers." Registration is limited. (NENY674)



Build A Snowman

(N) Wednesday, February 18, 3:45-5:00 p.m.

Assist children and their families with a snowman craft while you earn volunteer credit. (NENY676)

Book Swap

(EN) Friday, February 20, 2:45-4:15 p.m.

Help children choose books at our book exchange. (NENY677)

Teen Bingo Volunteers

(N) Saturday, March 7, 3:45-5:15 p.m.

Assist with the Family Bingo program and earn volunteer credit. (NENY675)

FOR CHILDREN



Fire Island National Seashore A New Museum Cove Exhibit at the Northport Library February - May 2015

Beginning this month, the Museum Cove will feature an exhibit on the Fire Island National Seashore. Come learn about this amazing stretch of land located on a barrier island off the southern coast of Long Island. Associated programs and hands-on items will be available to explore. Be sure to visit our salt water aquarium with live local sea life!

Whale Wonders

(N) Monday, February 23, 4:00 p.m.

Children in grades 1-5

An educator from Cornell Cooperative Extension will help participants learn about whales and dolphins using real bones, teeth, and baleen, as well as an inflatable life-size baby humpback! (50 min.) Registration begins February 9 at either library or online. (NENJ512)



Go Global

(N) Friday, February 27, 4:00 p.m.

Children in grades K-3

Join us as we travel to Japan through stories, games, and hands-on activities. (45 min.) Registration begins February 5 at either library or online. (NENJ502)



Toddlers Tango

(EN) Saturday, February 28, 10:00 a.m.

Children 2-4 years with adult; siblings welcome

Clap your hands, stomp your feet, and wiggle and giggle in this high-energy music and movement program. (45 min.) Registration begins February 5 at either library or online. (NENJ503)

Open for Discussion:

Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key

(EN) Thursday, February 19, 7:30 p.m.

Children in grades 4-6 with adult

Children's Librarian Lisa Herskowitz will lead a lively discussion of the humorous novel by Jack Gantos. Readers will glimpse into the mind of a spunky kid dealing with hyperactivity. (75 min.) Registration began January 8 at either library or online. (NENJ480)

Book Swap

(EN) Friday, February 20, 3:00 p.m.

Children ages 3-10 with adult; siblings welcome

Finished reading the books you received as holiday gifts? Do you have any other books in your home library that you no longer want? Be "green" and trade them for swap dollars and "purchase" pre-owned, new-to-you books anytime between 3:00-4:00 p.m. (60 min.) No registration required.

BOOK SWAP



Sunday Family Special: Peter Pan

(N) Sunday, February 22, 2:00 p.m.

For adults and children in grades K and up

The Traveling Lantern Theatre Company performs the treasured tale of an adventurous boy who never grows up! Fly away with the Darling children to Neverland where Peter Pan battles a band of pirates and his arch enemy the villainous Captain Hook. No registration required. Those showing an NENPL Library card will be seated first.

Tricks of the Trade

(EN) Tuesday, February 24, 7:00 p.m.

Children in grades 3-5

Bring in a magic trick and get performance tips from Children's Librarian and professional magician James Plath. In our monthly magic club you'll discover the secrets behind baffling illusions and learn about famous magicians. (45 min.) No registration required.



Design a Bookmark Contest: now in color! *Deadline for entries is February 7!*

Children in grades K-5 are invited to submit their original designs for our annual Design a Bookmark Contest. Entry guidelines and forms are available in the Children's Room. Twelve winning designs will be selected to decorate monthly bookmarks for the upcoming year. The deadline for entries is February 7. Winners will be announced in the March newsletter. All participants are invited to a reception on March 24 at 7:00 p.m. to celebrate their creativity and get drawing inspiration from a visiting art teacher.

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Books a Poppin'

(EN) Thursdays, February 5, 12, 26, 2:00 p.m.

(N) Fridays, February 6, 13, 27, 10:00 a.m.

Children birth-5 years not yet in kindergarten; siblings welcome

Join us as we read stories, share songs and rhymes, and have fun in this interactive program for families. (30 min.) No registration required.

Chess Club

(N) Thursday, February 5, 7:00 p.m.

Children in grades 3-6

Playing chess helps children improve concentration, expand critical thinking skills, and boost memory. Have fun, improve your game, and practice good sportsmanship! (45 min.) No registration required.

Mittens and Kittens PJ Storytime

(EN) Tuesday, February 10, 7:00 p.m.

Children with adult; siblings welcome

Share stories about cuddly kittens and cozy mittens in this active family storytime with rhymes, music, and lots of movement. (30 min.) No registration required.

Do You Want to Build a Snowman?

(N) Wednesday, February 18, 4:00 p.m.

Children ages 4-5 or in kindergarten with adults, siblings welcome

Make a snowman with puff paint that dries squishy and is fun to touch! Each family will make one craft. (45 min.) Registration begins February 5 at either library or online. (NENJ500)





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FOR CHILDREN

*Registration for the following series programs begins February 5.
(One series program per child, please.)*

Rock-a-Bye Readers

(N) Tuesdays, February 24, March 3, 10, 10:00 a.m.

Babies not yet walking with adult; no siblings

Come sing, clap, bounce, and listen to nursery rhymes and stories designed to expose babies to books and playful activities in a positive and supportive atmosphere. (30 min.) (NENJ504)

Sing & Play

**(EN) Mondays, February 23, March 2, 9
10:00 or 11:00 a.m.**

Children 1-3 years with adult; siblings welcome

Sing songs and rhymes that engage children and reinforce early literacy skills. (30 min.) (NENJ505)

1, 2, 3, Learn with Me

(EN) Fridays, March 6, 13, 20, 27, 10:00 a.m.

Children 1-3 years with adult; siblings welcome

Talk with child development experts while your children play with others. (60 min.) (NENJ506)

Sensory Fun

(EN) Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, 10:00 a.m.

Children 3-5 years with adult; siblings welcome

Join us for a fun-filled hour of sensory activities, led by a professional educator, that includes a water and sand table, playdough, shaving cream, crafts, and much more. (NENJ507)

Preschool Storytime

(EN) Tuesdays, February 24, March 3, 10, 17

9:30 a.m. (NENJ508) or 1:30 p.m. (NENJ509)

Children 4-5 years not yet in kindergarten; independent

Children listen to stories and participate in a hands-on activity. (30 min.)



Story Parade

**(N) Wednesdays,
February 25, March 4, 11, 18,
4:00 p.m.**

Children in grades K-2

A hands-on activity enhances this introduction to a variety of literature. (45 min.) Registration begins February 5 at either library or online. (NENJ510)

The Bookmark Spot

Stop by the Library and pick up the February bookmark by Alison Crosley. A reading list, compiled by Children's Librarians, is on the back.



Alison Crosley