



The

December 2018

LIBRARY

The Newsletter of the Northport-East Northport Public Library

FOR ADULTS

Scarf, Hat, Mitten, Glove & Sock Collection

December 1-30

Help local residents keep warm this winter by donating scarves, hats, mittens, gloves, and socks. All sizes, child through adult, will be accepted. Materials may be **new** or **handmade**. All donations will be given to the Family Service League for distribution to area families and individuals in need. Drop off your donations at the display table in the lobby of either Library building through December 30.



Open to all

Chronic Low Back Pain: A General Guide

(N) Monday, December 3, 10:00 a.m.

Chronic low back pain is a leading cause of disability and loss of productivity in the working population. In the retired population, it often leads to decreased quality of life. In this talk, Dr. Anthony Lau, Assistant Professor of Neurosurgery at Northwell Health, will focus on a practical approach to classifying back pain and discuss the spectrum of treatment and therapy options available.

Open to all

Jewels of Alpine Europe

(N) Thursday, December 6, 1:00 p.m.



Join us as we explore six Alpine countries, each with a unique culture while sharing the most beautiful mountains in the world. Learn about their history, cuisine, artistic heritage and more as we tour the Alps in Germany, Austria, Italy, France, Switzerland, and Lichtenstein. Patricia Summers will be your guide—no passport necessary!

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Making Sense of the News—Both Real and Fake

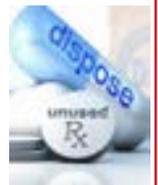
(N) Monday, December 3, 7:00 p.m.

If you feel overwhelmed by the massive amounts of news, propaganda, rumors, and advertising that bombard you every day, you are not alone. Join Jonathan Anzalone of Stony Brook University's Center for News Literacy to learn about the current state of the news media and discuss methods for sorting fact from fiction in a confusing information landscape.

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Medicine Collection

(N & EN) Thursday, December 6, 3:30-6:30 p.m.



The Northport Police Department and the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office will collect unused or expired prescription and over-the-counter medications. Proper disposal of these items is essential for risk reduction and environmental protection. No questions asked and no personal information is required.

Northport: Items in pill form only.

East Northport: Items in pill form as well as hypodermic needles and liquids. The hypodermic needles must be stored in a heavy-duty plastic container with a tight-fitting, puncture-resistant lid and labeled "sharps."

This event is co-sponsored by the Northport-East Northport Community Drug and Alcohol Task Force.

Open to all

Family Service League

(EN) Thursday, December 6, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Representatives from Family Service League will be available to answer questions about the programs this organization provides from its various locations across Long Island.



Inside: More Programs for Adults, Teens, and Children

FOR ADULTS

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Emergency Preparedness

(EN) Thursday, December 6, 7:00 p.m.

Michael Fink, Volunteer Program Coordinator for Suffolk County Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Services will discuss everything you need to know to prepare for, and recover from, natural and man-made disasters. The discussion will be followed by a question and answer period. This program is sponsored by Assemblyman Andrew P. Raia.

Open to all

Forecasting the Winter Storm Season

(N) Friday, December 7, 7:00 p.m.

Winter will be here before you know it! Meteorologist Geoff Bansen will discuss the complexity of making a winter forecast, including the many variables that impact weather predictions (including Siberian snow cover, North Atlantic Oscillation, etc.) Mr. Bansen will also recap last winter and talk about some historic winters and blizzards on Long Island.



Gingerbread House Decorating for Adults

(N) Saturday, December 8, 1:00 p.m.

Why should children have all the fun?! In this program, adults will have a chance to decorate their own individual gingerbread houses. Guy Gagliano of Swan Bakery brings all the items needed to create a fabulous holiday confection—you supply the imagination and inspiration! A \$10 nonrefundable materials fee is due at the time of registration. In person registration is underway. Space is limited. (NENA781)

Open to all

A Christmas Story

(N) Sunday, December 9, 1:30 p.m.

Film historian Larry Wolff will present a lecture and PowerPoint highlighting the making of this Christmas classic and the stars behind it. See Ralphie's original house before and after the film was made, explore lesser-known details, then enjoy some seasonal fun as you view the most entertaining Christmas film of all time. A memorabilia display and 1940s period Christmas music will create an afternoon of memories and laughs.



Open to all

The Brooklyn Bridge

(N) Monday, December 10, 2:00 p.m.

The Brooklyn Bridge was hailed as "the eighth wonder of the world" when it opened in 1883 as the first steel cable suspension bridge and longest suspension bridge in the world. Docent Jim Picinich of the New-York Historical Society Museum & Library will describe the heroic and sometimes tragic stories of the men and women who made its construction possible and explain how its completion helped unify New York City.

Open to all

Falconry on Long Island

(EN) Monday, December 10, 7:00 p.m.

The sport of falconry has a rich history throughout the world. It involves a dedicated and knowledgeable falconer and a healthy, well-trained raptor working together as a team. Come meet Chris Paparo and his red-tailed hawk as he talks about the instincts of raptors, how they are trained, and what it takes to be a falconer.

Open to all

Andy Warhol at the Whitney

(N) Tuesday, December 11, 7:00 p.m.

New York City's Whitney Museum of American Art is hosting the first comprehensive Andy Warhol retrospective in nearly 30 years. The celebrities, soup cans, disaster paintings, and screen tests in Warhol's works presaged our current era of social media and self promotion. Thomas Germano will present a visual lecture discussing Warhol and other major pop artists and artworks from the late 1950s to the 1970s.

Medicare Counseling

(EN) Wednesday, December 12, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, or 11:30 a.m. (NENA783)

(N) Tuesday, December 18, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, or 11:00 a.m. (NENA784)

A volunteer from the Health Insurance Information, Counseling, and Assistance Program (HIICAP) will answer questions one-on-one about Medicare and supplementary insurance by appointment. Registration begins December 1.

Open to all

Northport Arts Coalition presents Barry Mitterhoff Klezmer Trio

(N) Wednesday, December 12, 7:00 p.m.

The Barry Mitterhoff Klezmer Trio is Danny Alias on clarinet, Joe Selly on guitar, and Barry Mitterhoff on mandolin. Individually and as a group, they have played Klezmer and other kinds of Eastern European music from New Mexico to Paris. Join us for an upbeat show that includes some old Yiddish favorites from a bygone era!

Open to all

Fireside Friday: Shredding the Holidays with Guitarist Chris Fury

(EN) Friday, December 14, 7:00 p.m.



Come enjoy both electric and acoustic instrumental guitar renditions of holiday classics as well as some of Mr. Fury's high energy instrumental guitar originals from his debut album.

FOR ADULTS

On-Your-Own Train Trip to New York City



(N) Saturday, December 15, 9:19 a.m.
Departure from Northport Station,
Round Trip \$12 per person

Take in the sights and sounds of New York City! Meet a Library staff member at the station house at 8:55 a.m. (transfer at Huntington). Your return ticket is good on any Northport-bound train that leaves Penn Station before midnight.

A nonrefundable \$12 fee (cash or check payable to The Friends of the Library) is due at the time of registration. In person registration begins November 24. (NENA779)

Open to all

Sound Brass Quintet

(N) Sunday, December 16, 2:00 p.m.

The Sound Brass Quintet returns for a winter concert for the whole family featuring an exciting and entertaining program of thrilling brass music and holiday favorites. A reception with members of the quintet follows. Please join us as we celebrate the December holidays with great music!

Foods to Travel By: Cheese and Chocolate

(N) Monday, December 17, 12:00 p.m.

Join Savvy Sightseer Jeanne Schnupp for a unique afternoon of discovery and camaraderie at an international cheese tasting and Swiss chocolate fondue party. You will enjoy a selection of cheeses imported from Europe, while hearing interesting food facts and viewing scenes from each country. Round out the event with chocolate fondue! The delectable recipe will be available to take home. A \$5 nonrefundable materials fee is due at the time of registration. In person registration begins December 1. (NENA782)

Open to all

Current Events in Perspective

(N) Thursday, December 20, 1:00 p.m.

Join Michael D'Innocenzo, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of History at Hofstra University, to explore significant national and international developments. All attending are welcome to share their views and pose questions.



Fitness Fusion

(N) Saturdays, January 5, 12, 26, 10:00 a.m.

This three-part series led by healing arts specialist Dorothy Mandrakos combines elements of QiGong, yoga, and meditation. Please bring a mat and water bottle. Registration begins December 15. (NENA785) (As with all exercise programs, please check with a physician before registering.)

Computer Classes



iPad and iPhone: Photos and Photography

(EN) Wednesday, December 5, 7:00 p.m.

Learn how to take and share photos using your iPad or iPhone. Get tips on how to compose a shot, edit with the Photos app, share, organize, and store your photos. Registration is underway. (NENC276)

All About Facebook

(N) Thursday, December 13, 7:00 p.m.

In this lecture and demo class, you will learn the basics of Facebook, the popular social networking website. Registration is underway. (NENC277)

SeniorNet: Dazzling iPad Apps

(EN) Tuesday, January 8, 2:00 p.m.

There are more than 1.5 million apps for the iPad offered in the Apple App Store. Which ones should you try? Join us for demonstrations of useful and interesting apps that take advantage of the iPad's multimedia capabilities, including educational, e-book, and entertainment apps. Registration begins November 26. (NENC278)

Open to all

Blood Pressure Check

Wednesday, December 5,
(N) 9:30-10:30 a.m. & (EN) 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

A nurse from Visiting Nurse Service is available to provide a free blood pressure check.



AARP Smart Driver Course

(EN) Wednesdays, December 5 & 12, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Registration is underway at the East Northport Library only. (NENA778)
Fee: \$20 for AARP members (\$25 for nonmembers) payable to AARP by check or money order only at registration.

Defensive Driving

(N) Saturday, December 1, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Applications are currently available in both library buildings.

Fee: \$36

(EN) Tuesday, January 8 & Thursday, January 10, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Applications will be available in both library buildings beginning December 18.

Fee: \$36

Please note: These courses promote safe driving and help participants maintain their driving skills. Check with your insurance company about the specific premium and point reductions available to you.

FOR ADULTS

Friday Movies

Puzzle

Fridays, (N) December 7, and (EN) December 14, 2:00 p.m.

Agnes, taken for granted as a suburban mother, discovers a passion for solving jigsaw puzzles. This talent draws her into a new world where her life unfolds in ways she never could have imagined. Rated R. 103 minutes.

Mission Impossible: Fallout
Fridays, (N) December 21, and (EN) December 28, 2:00 p.m.

Ethan Hunt and his IMF team, along with some familiar allies, race against time after a mission goes wrong. Rated PG-13. 147 minutes.

Closed captioning will be displayed.

Literacy in Action

(EN) Monday, December 10, 2:00 p.m.

Are you a Literacy Suffolk Volunteer? Connect with other volunteers who provide literacy services in our community to share techniques and practices that can help your literacy student succeed. Learn about new materials added to the Library's Adult Learner collection as well as useful electronic databases and free online resources available to basic literacy and English language learners. Registration is preferred, but drop-ins are welcome. Registration begins December 1. (NENR177)

Language Learning

Let's Play: ESL Game Night

(EN) Mondays, December 3 & 17, 7:00 p.m.

Looking to practice and improve your English language skills? Join in a fun-filled evening playing games and making new friends. Registration is preferred, but drop-ins are welcome. Registration is underway. (NENR164)

Dynamic English

(EN) Wednesdays, December 5 & 19, 7:00 p.m.

Develop your English vocabulary, grammar, reading, and pronunciation with this friendly conversation group. Registration is preferred, but drop-ins are welcome. Registration is underway. (NENR161)

Book Groups

Copies of the discussion books are available at the Northport Library Circulation Desk.

Truth Be Told
(N) Thursday, December 6, 7:00 p.m.
Our nonfiction group will discuss *The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women* by Kate Moore.

Page Turners
(N) Thursday, December 13, 2:00 p.m.
The group will discuss *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann.

Novel Ideas
(N) Monday, December 17, 7:00 p.m.
The group will discuss *The Japanese Lover* by Isabel Allende.

Coming in January . . .

Adult Winter Reading Club

begins January 7

Stay on Course

Open to all Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders, 18 years or older

Everyday Spanish

(EN) Tuesdays, January 8, 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, 4:00 p.m.

This Spanish conversation course will focus on mastering key vocabulary words to help you start conversing in Spanish immediately. Great for both beginning and intermediate Spanish language learners. Registration begins December 26. (NENR178)

Destinos Telenovela

(EN) Thursdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31, February 7, 14, 2:30 p.m.

Picking up from last fall's program, we will continue to follow Raquel Rodriguez's search for Rosario, Don Fernando's long lost love. This Spanish soap opera immerses you in an entertaining story while viewing everyday situations with native speakers. It also introduces the cultures, accents, and dialects of Mexico, Spain, Argentina, and Puerto Rico. Registration begins December 26. (NENR179)

FOR TEENS

Registration for the following Teen Programs and Volunteer Opportunities begins December 4.

Intermediate Microsoft Excel for Teens

(N) Tuesday, December 4, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Learn more about this spreadsheet program including functions, ranges, macros, and charting. Prerequisite: Introduction to Excel or prior experience. Registration is underway. (NENY394)

Wednesday Night Gaming: Toad's Treasure Tracker

(N) Wednesday, December 5, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, or 7:00 p.m.

Take a break and play the new Nintendo Switch game "Toad's Treasure Tracker." (NENY401)

Nintendo Night: Festive Pixel Party

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

If you love Nintendo, you will not want to miss this monthly meet-up. We will discuss Nintendo games new and old, make fun gamer crafts, and participate in gaming competitions for prizes! This month we will make festive pixelated fuse bead sprites based on Nintendo characters. (NENY403)

Gingerbread Houses

(N) Monday, December 10, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Join the Baking Coach and decorate a gingerbread house to keep or give as a holiday gift. All materials will be provided. A nonrefundable fee of \$5 (cash or check made out to Northport-East Northport Public Library) must be paid within three days of registration. (NENY404)

Snack Around the World: Laotian Winter Soup Cooking Class

(N) Friday, December 14, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Come join our new monthly Friday night teen program where we try different snacks and drinks from around the world. This month we will learn how to cook Laotian soups. (NENY405)

Socrates Café

(N) Wednesday, December 19, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Our philosophy club is a great opportunity for teens to delve into life's big questions in an enthusiastic atmosphere of free thinking, energetic exchange, and unique perspectives. Food for thought (refreshments) will be served. Newcomers are always welcome. (NENY406)

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate

(N) Thursday, December 27, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Celebrate the release of the new Nintendo Super Smash Bros. game in this fun, multiplayer competition. Prizes will be awarded to the top players. (NENY407)

Teen Volunteer Opportunities

Open to students in grades 7-12
You may choose one volunteer opportunity in addition to Teen Advisory Board.

Operation Goody Bag

(N) Saturday, December 8, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Help us put together appreciation goody bags for our local police precinct. Come show your gratitude and receive one hour of community service credit.

Teen Advisory Board: Animal Shelter Holiday Gifts

(EN) Wednesday, December 12, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Help create festive holiday gifts for local animal shelter cats and dogs. (NENY408)

LEGO Volunteers

(EN) Thursday, December 27, 10:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Volunteers will assist children in grades 1-5 with LEGO projects. (NENY409)

Chess Club Volunteers

(N) Thursday, December 27, 6:45-8:00 p.m.

Earn volunteer credit as you help children learn how to play chess. A basic knowledge of the game is required. (NENY410)

Balloon Blow-Up Volunteers

(N) Friday, December 28, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Assist a Librarian with blowing up balloons for a children's holiday program. (NENY411)

Noon Year's Eve Party Volunteers

(N) Saturday, December 29, 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Celebrate New Year's Eve with a countdown to noon! Help children with games, crafts, music, snacks, and more to ring in the New Year. (NENY412)



FOR CHILDREN



Books a Poppin'

(N & EN) Fridays, December 7, 14, 10:00 a.m.

Children birth-5 years with adult; siblings welcome
Stop by for this drop-in storytime. We will read stories, sing songs, share rhymes and fingerplays, and have fun in this interactive program for families. (30 min.)

Gingerbread Houses

(N) Saturday, December 8, 11:00 a.m.

Children in grades K-5 with adult; siblings welcome



Guy Gagliano of Swan Bakery will inspire each family to decorate their own delicious gingerbread house. All materials will be provided. A nonrefundable fee of \$10 (cash or check made out to

the Northport-East Northport Public Library) must be brought to either library within 3 days of registration. Your REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE until payment is received. Only one gingerbread house per family please. (60 min.) Registration is underway. (NENJ577)

Into the Rainforest Dynamic Kids Movement Class

(EN) Monday, December 10, 10:00 a.m.

Children 2-4 years with adult; siblings welcome

Imaginations soar in this fun and active class as children tiptoe over bridges, tumble with monkeys, and play under the rainforest canopy while using a parachute, balance beam, props, and more. (45 min.) Registration is underway. (NENJ578)



Calm, Cool, and Connected

(N) Tuesday, December 11, 4:00 p.m.

Children in grades 3-5

Children will enjoy learning simple mindfulness and relaxation techniques. Stress-reducing exercises help kids focus, develop better study habits, prevent boredom, and build self-esteem. (45 min.)



Pajama Storytime

(EN) Tuesday, December 11, 7:00 p.m.

Children birth-5 years with adult; siblings welcome

Get your body moving in this evening family storytime. Enjoy action rhymes and songs as well as stories. (30 min.)



Block Party!

(N) Wednesday, December 12, 10:00 a.m.

Children 1-4 years with adult; siblings welcome
Children learn to use their minds as well as their muscles while having fun building with blocks and playing with other children. (45 min.)



Paws to Read

**(N) Friday, December 14,
6:30, 6:45, 7:00, or 7:15 p.m.**

Children in grades 1-5

Dogs are great listeners and provide a calming environment for kids to read aloud. Fetch a good book and sign up for a 15-minute reading session with a certified therapy dog. Registration begins December 4. (NENJ587)



Make and Take Candle

(N) Saturday, December 15, 10:00 a.m.

Children in grades 2-5

Create the perfect holiday gift from recycled wax while learning about the art of candle making. (60 min.) Registration is underway. (NENJ579)

Sensory Fun

(N) Tuesday, December 18, 11:00 a.m.

Children 3-6 years with adult; siblings welcome

Participate with your child in a storytime followed by a hands-on experience designed to stimulate the senses. (45 min.) Registration begins December 4. (NENJ588)

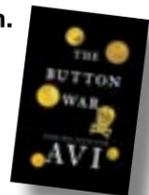


Newbery Club

(N) Tuesday, December 18, 7:00 p.m.

Children in grades 4 and up

This month, club members will be discussing Newbery contender *The Button War* by Avi. The club has met monthly throughout the year, and in January 2019 an election will be held to determine which book the members think is the best of the year. New members are always welcome. (60 min.) Please contact the Library to reserve a copy of the book.



Children's Room
December Display:

The Gift of Reading



FOR CHILDREN



Sensory Friendly Film: *The Incredibles 2*

(EN) Saturday, December 22, 2:30 p.m.

Suggested for children 8 years and up with adult; siblings welcome

The lights are up, the sound is down, and kids are free to move around. Come see everybody's favorite superhero family in their latest adventure. Rated PG. (115 min.)



Anything Goes LEGOS

(EN) Thursday, December 27, 11:00 a.m.

Children in grades 1-5

Use the Library's LEGOs to design your creation or have fun building with friends. All finished projects will go on display in the Children's Room. (45 min.)



Chess Club

(N) Thursday, December 27, 7:00 p.m.

Children in grades 2-6

Chess teaches children foresight, helps to expand self-confidence, and sharpens their ability to focus. All skill levels are welcome, but a basic knowledge of the game is required. (45 min.)



Noon Year's Eve Party

(N) Saturday, December 29, 11:00 a.m.

Children 4 years and up with adult; siblings welcome

Celebrate New Year's Eve with a countdown to noon! We will have games, crafts, music, snacks, and more to ring in the New Year. (60 min.)



Backpack Storytime: "It's Potty Time"



Need some inspiration to make toilet learning more fun? Our newest Backpack Storytime contains books, a DVD, a reward chart with stickers, and much more. Ask a Children's Librarian for more information and check out our latest interactive backpack!



Congratulations to Fifth Avenue Elementary School for winning the Summer Reading Recognition Award for the third year in a row! The school had the highest percentage of students participate in the 2018 summer reading program *Libraries Rock!*

In the photo above, Library Director James Olney presents the award to Principal Thomas Harrison as Head of Children and Family Services Lisa Herskowitz and School Librarian Rosemary Becker look on.

New Superhero Collection!



Discover the super power of reading when you check out titles about your favorite DC and Marvel superheroes. Kids of all ages and reading levels will enjoy our new super section of books highlighting the exciting adventures of Wonder Woman, Spiderman, Batman, Iron Man and other Avengers and Justice League heroes.

The Bookmark Spot

Stop by the Library and pick up the December bookmark by Saydee Westman. A reading list compiled by Children's Librarians is on the back.



Give the gift that will not break, does not wear out, and cannot be outgrown:

A Library Card!



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Northport Gallery Exhibit

Pictured in Fabric
by **Students of Madeline Nelson**

Artwork created from fabric and any other materials the artists deem interesting.

East Northport Gallery Exhibit

Long Island and Beyond
by **Keith Krejci**

Fine art photography.

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Call either Library building for a recorded message:
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or check the Library website: www.nenpl.org

Local History Trivia Quiz:

What is the street address of
"The Oldest House in Northport?"



Please email your answer to: library@nenpl.org



Speaking of Writing

On October 22, the Teen Services Department welcomed acclaimed author Jason Reynolds to its 27th Annual Speaking of Writing Distinguished Author Visit.

Approximately 200 students from our district's middle schools learned about Mr. Reynolds' life, writing process, and books. After his presentation, the students were able to ask questions and speak with the author.

View the complete list of distinguished authors who have participated in the Speaking of Writing program inspiring thousands of middle school students over the years:
www.nenpl.org/teens/speakingofwriting