

THE LIBRARY

February 1994

Why Did You Come To The Library Today?



My friend and I were in the library today because we are part of the "Young Adult Book Reviewers" and we love it!

**Our Young Adult Book Reviewers meet monthly from October through May to talk about the books they've read; prepare for their annual publication, JOURNEY INTO BOOKS; and meet with a prominent YA author in the spring.*

Research for American 19th Century Painting Class (presently taking) and other classes taken in past — very helpful staff — great resources — had better luck here than when I went to Manhattan to the New York Public Library — faster service also.

**The Northport Library is Suffolk County's Art Subject Specialty Center.*

I have a long commute. I find your collection of audio books makes commuting by automobile almost pleasurable.

**We now own 1,328 audio books. At 60 miles per hour that's approximately 557,760 miles of pleasure.*

I bring my children to the library for all the wonderful programs and the use of the computers. I cannot afford our own, so I am so grateful they are here. The children have learned so much — from abc's to numbers to spelling! Thanks so much!

**To date, we have 250 computer software programs for children. We are always on the lookout for exciting new educational and fun additions to our collection.*

To prepare for my final exams at SUNY, Stony Brook and also to read the New York Times.

To read *Investor's Business Daily*, *Value Line*, and other financial literature.

**We also have corporate annual reports on microfilm as well as many directories and computer resources essential to corporate research.*

To get videos for my daughter for the weekend ("Reading Rainbow"). To take out books for my four-year-old and eight-month-old. To crawl around with my baby in a space we were not tired of.

To check out books for a preschooler and "beginning-to-read" child. I would be interested in "career nights" on re-entering the workforce or "Interest Survey" tests to pursue a new career.

**For more career information watch for announcements of Career Clinic workshops and stop by our Career Center.*

To return a non-fiction book, the sequel of which recently came out in paperback. To get the sequel in hardcover (I got it!). To check the card catalog for four crocheting books, one costume design book, and one humor book, and to see if a biography of Dr. Seuss has been written. To use my Venda-Card.

**There is a children's biography on Dr. Seuss, alias Theodor Geisel, that is available at several other libraries in Suffolk County. See a reference librarian to request it via interlibrary loan.*

Monthly meeting of Novel Ideas, a reader-response discussion group. This month we talked about Barbara Kingsolver's *Animal Dreams*. Also to pick up a copy of next month's book as well as C.S. Lewis' *Till We Have Faces*. A Heckscher Museum calendar for future art-a-la-carte sessions.

**See "Booked for Discussion" (page 2) for dates and discussion topics for upcoming meetings.*

To get some CDs and reserve a book.

**Our compact disc collection continues to grow with the current count at 2,024.*

**Editorial remarks are in italics.*

Your survey responses continue inside. See LIBRARY CLOSE UP 2.

— For Adults —



BROADWAY FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

Sunday, February 27
2:00 p.m.

Join Dayle Friedman as she performs many of our favorite and memorable Broadway show tunes. Tickets, which go on sale

Feb. 12, are 50¢ for senior citizens, students, and disabled persons, \$1.00 for adults.

THE CRIMES WE COMMIT AGAINST OUR HEALTH

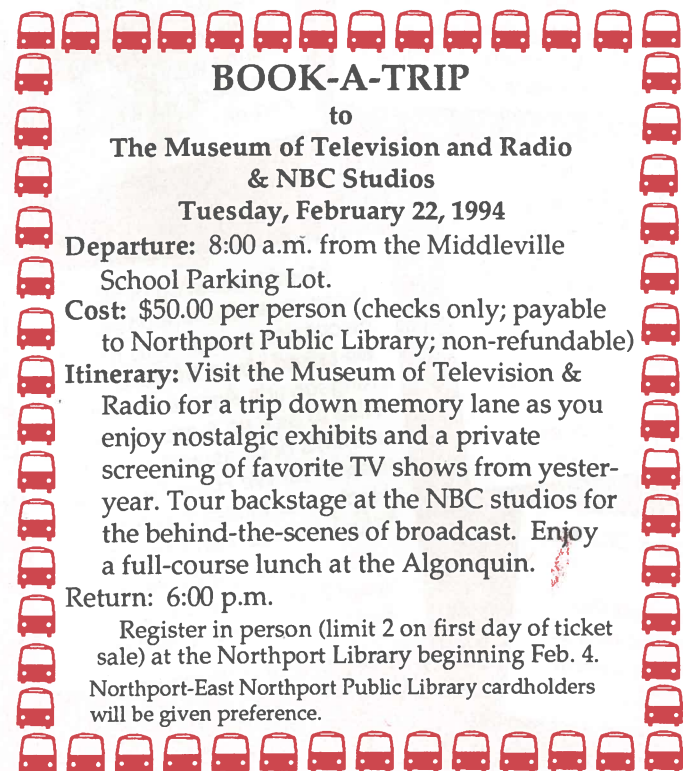
Thursday, February 10, 7:30 p.m.

What would you guess is your most priceless gift? The answer is simple . . . the ability to be consistently healthy. Dr. Douglas Wright, chiropractor, will discuss five easy steps you can use in developing your optimal health. All are welcome.

TRAVEL SECURITY

Thursday, February 24, 7:30 p.m.

Terrorist acts abroad make safety precaution a must when preparing for a trip. International security consultant Gerard P. Keenan introduces the types and activities of terrorist groups, tells how to spot surveillance, and gives the do's and don't's of behavior for hostage/kidnap victims. Principles learned here can be applied to everyday personal safety actions. All are welcome.



BOOK-A-TRIP
to
The Museum of Television and Radio & NBC Studios
Tuesday, February 22, 1994
Departure: 8:00 a.m. from the Middleville School Parking Lot.
Cost: \$50.00 per person (checks only; payable to Northport Public Library; non-refundable)
Itinerary: Visit the Museum of Television & Radio for a trip down memory lane as you enjoy nostalgic exhibits and a private screening of favorite TV shows from yesteryear. Tour backstage at the NBC studios for the behind-the-scenes of broadcast. Enjoy a full-course lunch at the Algonquin.
Return: 6:00 p.m.
Register in person (limit 2 on first day of ticket sale) at the Northport Library beginning Feb. 4. Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders will be given preference.

CAREER CLINIC

THE ART OF BEING INTERVIEWED

Saturday, February 5, 3:00 p.m.

Join career counselor Lynn Johnson and learn how to secure the position you want. Through role play and discussion find out what you can do before, during, and after the interview to minimize your anxiety and maximize your success in winning the job. Sign up now.



MORGAN, TORGAN & TERI

Sunday, February 13, 2:00 p.m.

Morgan, Torgan, and Teri become a thousand and one different loony characters, while combining the magic of musical theatre with the excitement of pop music and the simplicity of nursery rhymes. Their songs are creative, original, funny, and touching. Richard Mendelsen, who hails from East Northport, is a member of the group. All are welcome.

SARANAC LAKE: A MAGICAL PLACE WITH A SPECIAL HISTORY

Wednesday, February 23, 7:30 p.m.

Set in the majestic Adirondack region of New York, the small village of Saranac Lake became associated with health more than a century ago when Dr. Edward Trudeau established America's finest tuberculosis research lab and hospital-sanatorium in 1873.

Registered Nurse Louise Bobrow will present a program — part history, and part travelogue — on this magical place. All are welcome.



BOOK & SANDWICH (W)RAP

(EN) Thursday, February 3
1:00 p.m.

Love is in the mountains and under blue skies as we discuss Pam Houston's "A Blizzard Under Blue Sky," "Dall," and "Cowboys Are My Weakness." Contact Michelle Epstein, reference librarian, at 261-6930. Stop by reference for copies of the stories.

NOVEL IDEAS

(N) Friday, February 11, 1:00 p.m.
(N) Monday, February 14, 7:30 p.m.

This month we'll take a look at *Due North* by Mitchell Smith. To join this group, contact Dodie Gillman, reference librarian, at 261-6930.

Call In Lines

261-6686
261-6694

The Library Board of Trustees has announced a second Call-In Night on February 8, 1994, from 4:00-6:30 p.m.. Patrons should use the telephone numbers above to directly reach Library Director Mrs. Stephanie Heineman and Assistant Director Mrs. Eileen Minogue, who will be addressing your questions and concerns about library space needs and building problems. Questions that patrons would like addressed by trustees will be noted and forwarded. Can't call during these designated call-in times? You may call at any other time that the library is open. We would like to thank those of you who took the time to "call in" in January.



Mondays, February 14 & 28
7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: \$35

This course qualifies motorists for a 10% reduction on collision and liability premiums for three years, and a reduction of four points on their driving record. Applications for this six-hour course may be picked up at either library beginning Feb. 1.



55/ALIVE MATURE DRIVER PROGRAM

(half-hour break; please bring your lunch, beverages will be provided)

AARP's two-part course is open to anyone 50 years of age or older. Register Feb. 1 at the Northport Library. Dates for February classes to be announced at time of registration. There is an \$8 fee payable at registration.



HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION, COUNSELING & ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

(EN) Fridays, Feb. 4 & Feb. 18, 9:00-12 noon
(N) Thursday, Feb. 10 & Feb. 17, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Tom Henry and Stu Goldblatt continue to serve our patrons as HIICAP certified counselors answering questions about Medicare and Medicaid. Call 261-6930 to make an appointment in Northport, or 261-2313 to make an appointment in East Northport.

IT'S TAX TIME AGAIN!

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance
Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon
February 5 - April 9

VITA volunteers will be at both library buildings to answer your questions and help fill out tax forms. VITA is sponsored by the Hofstra University Tax Society in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service.



Tax-Aide Program for Seniors

AARP counselors, trained by the IRS, will be available at the East Northport branch on Friday mornings from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. beginning February 4 and continuing through April 8. If possible, please bring last year's completed tax forms.



SNOWING!

You can find out if the Library is closed for inclement weather by setting your audio dial to WALK at 1370 AM/97.5 FM.







Please note that sledding is not permissible on Library property.

Northport-East Northport Public Library

Calendar of Events

February 1994

Floral Decorations
Northport: Phyllis Shanahan of the Northport Community Garden Club with flowers donated by the Flower Basket
East Northport: Helen Garofallou of the Larkfield Community Garden Club

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		1 Applications available for Defensive Driving on 2/14 & 2/28 <i>*Toddler Time (N) 10 am & 11 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am</i> <i>*Book Mates (N) 4 pm</i> <i>*YA Study Skills Workshop (N) 4:30 pm</i>	2 <i>*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am</i> Free Blood Pressure & Weight Check (N) 1-3 pm; (EN) 3:15-5 pm <i>*Toddler Time (N) 1:30 pm</i> <i>*Story Parade (N) 4 pm</i>	3 <i>*Mother/Infant Discussion Group (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm</i> Book & Sandwich (W)rap (EN) 1 pm <i>*Story Parade (EN) 4 pm</i>	4 Ticket sales begin for Book-A-Trip on 2/22 <i>*Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (EN) 9 am-12 noon by appt.</i> Tax-Aide Program for Seniors (EN) 9 am - 1 pm <i>*Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am</i> Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	5 Registration begins for Story Parade beginning 2/23 & 2/24 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (N&EN) 9 am - 12 noon <i>*Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am</i> <i>Saturday Afternoon Storytime (N) 1:30 pm</i>  <i>Saturday Movie Matinee: Everybody Knows That; Booker (EN) 2:30 pm 55 min.</i> <i>*The Art of Being Interviewed (N) 3 pm</i>	
6  Sunday Study Hall 1:30-4:30 pm	7 <i>*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm</i> Lyme Disease Support Goup (N) 7 pm	8 <i>*Toddler Time (N) 10 am & 11 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am</i> <i>*Book Mates (N) 4 pm</i> <i>*YA Study Skills Workshop (N) 4:30 pm</i> "Call-In Night" (N) 4 pm - 6:30 pm	9 Registration begins for (YA) S.A.T. Preparation Workshop beginning 3/10 <i>*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am</i> <i>*Toddler Time (N) 1:30 pm</i> <i>*Story Parade (N) 4 pm</i> Great Books (N) 8 pm	10 <i>*Mother/Infant Discussion Group (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm</i> <i>*Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (N) 1-4 pm by appt.</i> The Crimes We Commit Against Our Health (N) 7:30 pm <i>*Story Parade (EN) 4 pm</i>	11 Tax-Aide Program for Seniors (EN) 9 am - 1 pm <i>*Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am</i> Novel Ideas (N) 1 pm Young Adult Book Reviewers (N) 4 pm Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	12 Tickets sales begin for Broadway for the Young At Heart on 2/27 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (N&EN) 9 am - 12 noon <i>*Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am</i>	
13 Sunday Family Special: Morgan, Torgan & Teri (N) 2 pm	14 <i>*Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm</i> Novel Ideas (N) 7:30 pm	15	16	17 <i>*Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (N) 1-4 pm by appt.</i>	18 <i>*Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (EN) 9 am-12 noon by appt.</i> Tax-Aide Program for Seniors (EN) 9 am - 1 pm Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	19 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (N&EN) 9 am - 12 noon Saturday Afternoon Storytime (N) 1:30 pm	
20  Sunday Study Hall 1:30-4:30 pm	21 Presidents' Day - Library Closed	22 <i>*Book-A-Trip to The Museum of Television and Radio & NBC Studios departs 8 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am</i> Library Board of Trustees Meeting (N) 3:45 pm	23 <i>*Story Parade (N) 4 pm</i> Saranac Lake: A Magical Place with a Special History (N) 7:30 pm Great Books (N) 8 pm	24 <i>*Mother/Infant Discussion Group (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm</i> <i>*Story Parade (EN) 4 pm</i> Travel Security (N) 7:30 pm	25 Tax-Aide Program for Seniors (EN) 9 am - 1 pm <i>*Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am</i> Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	26 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (N&EN) 9 am - 12 noon <i>*Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am</i>	
27 Broadway For The Young At Heart (N) 2 pm 	28 <i>*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm</i> <i>*Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm</i>						Exhibits Northport Adult — Paintings by Chris Schmidt Case — Mexican Artwork from the collection of Margaret Stasi East Northport Adult — "Photo Paintings" Handpainted photographs by Cheryl Machat Dorskind Children — Hardcover books published by the Fifth Avenue Elementary School Publishing Center

Note: Italic type indicates Children's Programs.
N = Northport Library
EN = East Northport Library

Enrollment in our programs is limited, with preference given to district residents.

The Northport-East Northport Public Library encourages all residents to participate in programs and activities. Please let us know in advance if you require any special accommodations because of a disability.

*Pre-registration or tickets required for this program.
Occupancy of our meeting room is limited.

LIBRARY CLOSE UP

HOW WE HELP YOU. How You Depend On Us.

The reasons why you — our patrons — depend upon us are as diverse as the people in the Northport-East Northport community served by the library. Your responses to our recent survey telling us “why you came to the library” illustrate this fact. This month, our LIBRARY CLOSE UP is front page news and it’s written by you, our patrons. We’ve reprinted your responses to share with all of our patrons what we read with great interest and enjoyment. Thank you for your time and input (*and keep filling out the forms!*).



To pick up a fax. I find it a great convenience.

**Each month, patrons send approximately 75 faxes from the library's "self-service" fax machine.*



My three-and-a-half-year-old daughter enjoys reading stories together, playing computer games, and doing new puzzles. I think it stimulates her mind so I enjoy bringing her here.

**Each month an average of 500 children use the computers at Northport and East Northport.*



Research for school reports, reading material for myself. A quiet moment in a busy day!!! (I always see smiling faces here!)

**The library also works with the local schools lending library materials to the teachers for classroom use. Last year, 563 items were borrowed by the schools through our Special Loan Service For Our Schools.*



To request a video not listed in the file. To check stock market.

**At last count we owned 7,186 videos. Want to view a video that we don't own? We may be able to borrow it from another library or consider it for purchase for our own collection.*



I came because the children's programs are so wonderful. All my children are involved in storytime programs. I also do research for arts and crafts for all my extra-curricular activities.




Read the *New York Times*. Take out two CDs. Read microfilm.

**Our microfilm collection of New York Times dates back to 1960, and we have access to New York Times microfilm dating back to 1851.*

 To rendezvous with my spouse and to check travel guides.


**Wherever your travels may take you, your itinerary should include a stop at the library for travel guides, hotel listings, maps, and airline schedules.*

 To return a book I had finished and to take out some children's videos for my grandchildren who are visiting this weekend.


**The library has videos for children of all ages in the Children's Room including some of the classics that we never outgrow.*

 To access back issues of *Journal of the American Medical Association*, etc.

**On the Health Information Database you can search medical topics and print out the text of articles from numerous medical journals.*

 To find a monologue to audition for the Northport High School's "Powdered Wigs" play, *The Pajama Game*.


**We have more than 30 books on the topic "monologues" and many more books on plays. Hope you got the part!*


 To do research for a book I am writing and to look for titles for my book group.


**You may want to check BOOK REVIEW DIGEST, FICTION CATALOG, and CONTEMPORARY AUTHORS when preparing for book discussions. Ask a reference librarian for these and other helpful sources.*

 To get classical music CDs. I love Schubert especially.

**We have 29 titles by Schubert alone on CD.*

 I came to the library today to get some good, interesting books to read! I am retired, a senior citizen, and in my spare time (aside from doting on my grandchildren) I love to read. I appreciate the wide selection of books. I would like to see some kind of Senior program that I could attend.

**Our Prime Time  programs are especially for seniors. Not for seniors only, but certainly enjoyable for seniors are the Novel Ideas, Book and Sandwich (W)rap, and Great Books discussion groups. Check the newsletter each month for a schedule of all library-sponsored programs.*

 We like to come, every other day, because my little son enjoys the books, puzzles, tapes, and the employees are all so nice. That's why we enjoy stopping by. Thank you!

**And that's why we are here — for you!*

Introducing **DOW** and **JONES**

THE **LIBRARY** ACTIVITY INDICATORS



	1992	1993
Materials borrowed	543,371	566,540
Reference questions asked	58,560	73,230

— In the Children's Room —

NEW CD SOFTWARE IS REVOLUTIONIZING THE WAY CHILDREN RESEARCH



When *News 12 Long Island* was looking for the latest in CD-ROM computer software they found it here in the Children's Room at your Northport Library. While this computer news segment aired just a couple months ago, it's already time for an

update. We have even more computer sources on CD-ROM to connect your children to the homework subjects they are researching.

Explore the world through maps, photos, music, and languages with *World Vista*. Listen to the music of 100 countries. View more than 1,000 color photos and learn standard phrases in the major languages spoken in each of the countries.

With the updated edition of *Compton's Multimedia Encyclopedia*, an illustrated, animated, sound-enhanced research tool, you can create a virtual workplace that allows you to open and read through several articles, pictures, and facts in an area where you can "spread out your work."

Speed up your research by using *Information Finder*, the *World Book Encyclopedia* on compact disc. With a click of the mouse you can check a cross reference or definition of a word in the dictionary.

Need a bibliography of books on bears for a third grader? How about videos and audio cassettes? *Children's Reference Plus* helps target homework sources and pleasure reading, viewing, and listening for your children and young adults. This database includes fiction, folklore, fantasy, and poetry; magazines, videos, spoken-word audio cassettes, and computer software; as well as reference books and books out of print.

STORY PARADE Gr. K-4

Registration begins Saturday, February 5
(N) Wednesdays, February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 4:00 p.m.
(EN) Thursdays, February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 4:00 p.m.

— For Young Adults —

S.A.T. PREPARATION WORKSHOP

An 8-part series, March 10 - May 5, 7:00-10:00 p.m.
(except March 31)

The S.A.T. is changing. From the new name the Scholastic Assessment Test, to new grid-in math questions and double reading passages, and you can use a calculator! Let our experienced S.A.T. tutors, Willis Osborn and Maryann Martinucci, help you prepare. They will make sure you know when it pays to use that calculator, how to avoid traps and tricks, and more. Be prepared, so you know what to expect on test day.

Limited registration begins Wednesday, February 9, at the Northport Public Library building only. Fee of \$75.00, which includes materials and text, is payable by check to Willis Osborn at the time of registration.

In Our Bright Idea Box

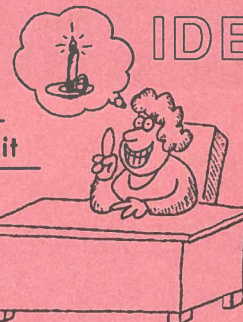
THIS AWARD IS PRESENTED TO

NAME Sally Lieberman

IN RECOGNITION OF

A BRIGHT IDEA

I really love the library;
however, I'd love it even *more* if it
were quieter. Thank you!



We pay attention.
We listen hard.

Let us turn *your* bright idea into action!

When I spoke with Mrs. Lieberman I told her she was not alone in her concern. Over the past three years, we've had 17 noise-related bright ideas. Providing quiet is very important to us, but certain noises are beyond our control. Our telephone system, almost 20 years old, is outdated. All incoming calls must be routed through the circulation desk. The close quarters also inhibit our efforts to contain the normal "noises" involved in running a library — computers, printers, copy machines, and patrons checking out materials or making reference inquiries. Sound travels and these "business as usual" sounds don't have far to travel in our close quarters. One solution has been our "Sunday Study Hall." Two Sundays each month, we open the meeting room for quiet study and reading. Also, we've turned off the telephone intercom in the Prime Time Room, an area adopted by patrons for quiet study. However, until we have more space and a better phone system, toning down the less-than-optimal noise levels will be a challenge without an immediate solution. We appreciate and share your concern.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. Stephanie Heineman
Library Director

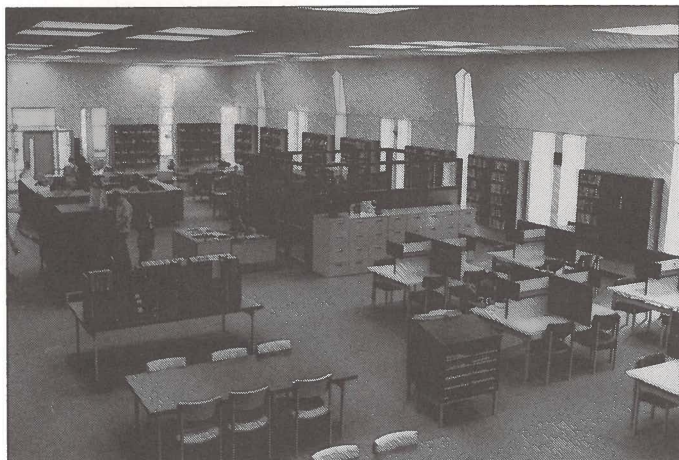
Information PULASKI ROAD PROPERTY



The 2¹/₄ acres on Pulaski Road gifted to the library by the Gildersleeve family border a 23-acre tract of land for development as a residential community. Land is now being cleared for these new homes. The shovels and bulldozers you see on Pulaski Road are not breaking ground on library property. The use of the library's Pulaski Road property is one of the possibilities the Library Board plans to explore in its search for a solution to your library buildings' problems. No decision has been made — nor can any construction take place — without approval by you, our community taxpayers.

HOW WE'VE MATURED

What a difference a couple of decades makes. When the present library building opened in 1966 the community was invited into a spacious and tranquil environment for quiet reading and study. Today the library handles a multitude of information in a variety of formats — we are managing an electronic information revolution. In addition to books, magazines, and microfilm, the library now offers audio books, compact discs, and videos. Another noticeable addition to the library's layout is the computer — or shall we say the many computers. Our girth has widened in our maturity and the numbers bear that out. Over the past twenty-seven years, circulation has increased over 42%, the number of cardholders has more than tripled, collections have grown beyond available shelf space, and room has been made for more sophisticated equipment.



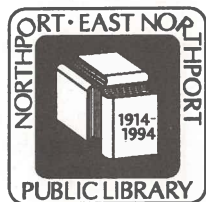
1966



Today

Speaking of Maturity . . . Our Debt Service Has Been Satisfied

It is significant to note that as we've matured, so have the bonds for the 1966 construction of your present library building on Laurel Avenue in Northport. The debt service schedule which began in 1966 reached its final maturity on February 1, 1994.



Northport-East Northport Public Library

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