FOR ADULTS

Three Celtic Women

(N) Friday, March 12, 7:30 p.m.

Journey through the mystical Celtic world with the exceptional talents of Three Celtic Women. Accompanied by the bowed psaltery, flute, and harmonium, Celeste Ray, Kathryn Buckell, and Maria Johnson will entertain you with vibrant jigs, reels, and songs from the Emerald Isle. Registration is underway at either library building or online. Please note: ticket holders will be seated until 2:00 p.m. All others will be seated as space permits. (NENA147)

Seven Steps to Employment Success

(N) Monday, March 1, 7:00 p.m.

Career coach Michael Coritsidis will provide valuable information on resume writing, interview techniques, appropriate business apparel, job search avenues, and more. Whether you are unemployed, a recent graduate, seeking a career change, or concerned about job security, you won't want to miss this informative workshop. No registration required.

Design for Everyone

(N) Tuesday, March 9, 7:30 p.m.

Is your teenager interested in graphic, product, interior, or building design? Architect Tom Stack, whose work is on display in the Northport Gallery this month, will explore this fascinating field in a presentation for parents and teens. He will discuss design fundamentals while shedding light on the various career paths that teens may take to develop their creative talents. No registration required.

Migrating Alewives

(N) Thursday, March 18, 7:00 p.m.

Brian Kelder, fishery researcher at the Seatuck Environmental Association, will talk about alewives—environmentally important ocean fish that return to local streams each spring to spawn. You will have the opportunity to be trained on how to lend a hand in an annual survey to find alewife runs in your neighborhood stream. No registration required.

Long Island's Ruins, Part 2

(N) Wednesday, March 3, 7:30 p.m.

The remnants of Long Island's bygone era tell fascinating stories. Join John Leita for part two of his fascinating visual presentation that will take you on a journey through Long Island's not-to-be-forgotten history. He will explore gold coast ruins, military ruins such as gun placements and forts, abandoned roads and rails, and other transportation ruins right in our own backyard. No registration required.

"Jack's Last Call: Say Goodbye to Kerouac"

(N) Thursday, March 11, 7:30 p.m.

It's the summer of 1964 and Jack Kerouac is spending his last night in Northport before moving to Florida with his mother. Long after his small going-away party is over, Jack keeps on drinking as he reflects on his youth as a football star in Lowell, Massachusetts, and wonders whether his time has come and gone. As he sums up his life in a bittersweet narrative, he receives a series of soul-searching phone calls from his daughter Jan.

Join journalist and playwright Patrick Fenton as he reads from his play "Jack's Last Call" and talks about how he has chased the ghost of Jack Kerouac from Ozone Park to Northport. Mr. Fenton's play has been featured on more than 50 radio stations across the country since its April 2008 release. No registration required.

Couponing for Beginners

(EN) Tuesday, March 2, 7:30 p.m.

Economic times are challenging and all of us could benefit from some solid tips on how to slash our spending. Join Nicole Boothe and learn tips on where to find coupons, how to organize them, and how to maximize their money-saving power. Registration is underway at either library building or online. (NENA146)

Fireside Friday: Jazz with Halley Hiatt & Ralph Pugliese

(EN) Friday, March 19, 7:30 p.m.

Join us around the fireplace at the East Northport Library for an evening of popular jazz songs performed by vocalist Halley Hiatt and pianist Ralph Pugliese. No registration required.

Northport Arts Coalition presents Travels to Armenia through Song

(N) Wednesday, March 10, 7:00 p.m.

The Northport Arts Coalition, in cooperation with the Library, presents soprano Ruthann Turekian Drewitz and pianist Danile Ragone who will share songs of Armenian heritage. Come and enjoy love songs, patriotic songs, and opera from this richly artistic culture. No registration required.

Boating Safety Course

(EN) Wednesdays, April 14, 21, 28, May 5 & 12, 7:00 p.m.

Instructors from the Neptune Sail and Power Squadron will conduct this 5-week course for boaters ages 10 and up. Topics include seamanship, boat handling, required equipment, federal and state regulations, and navigation aids. The course meets requirements for New York State certification. A fee of $50 for adults (ages 17+) or $45 for youth (ages 10-16) is payable at registration which begins March 13 at the East Northport Library. Please bring your Library card and a check or money order payable to Neptune Power Squadron.

FOR ADULTS

Short Story Central

(N) Tuesday, March 2, 7:00 p.m.

Stories from *How It Ended*, by Jay McInerny will be the focus of our discussion this month. Please pick up your copies of the stories at the Circulation Desk in either library building.

Novel Ideas

(N) Monday, March 15, 7:00 p.m.

This month we take a look at *The Story of Edgar Sawtelle* by David Wroblewski. Please pick up your copy of the book at the Northport Library Circulation Desk.

Page Turners

(N) Thursday, March 25, 2:00 p.m.

At this special meeting of our monthly afternoon book discussion group we will be joined by Yona Zeldis McDonough, author of *Breaking the Bank*. Copies of the book will be available to borrow or purchase (if you would like to have one signed by the author) at the Northport Library Circulation Desk.

AARP Tax Aid

(EN) Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
(N) Fridays, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

AARP counselors, trained by the IRS, will be available in both library buildings through April 15. If possible, please bring last year's tax forms with you. Assistance is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Current Events in Perspective

(N) Wednesday, March 24, 7:30 p.m.

Join Michael Libresco-D'Innocenzo, professor of history at Hofstra University, to explore significant national and international developments. All attending the program are welcome to share their views.

Internet Basics

(EN) Thursday, March 4, 7:30 p.m.

Learn the fundamentals of Internet access at this monthly program. No registration required.

Computer Kindergarten

(EN) Tuesday, March 9, 10:00 a.m.-12 noon

Registration begins March 1 at either library building or online.

This hands-on workshop for the novice covers using the mouse and the Windows desktop, opening programs, and saving files. (NENC004)

Computer First Grade

(N) Thursday, March 25, 10:00 a.m.-12 noon

Registration begins March 11 at either library building or online.

This follow-up to Computer Kindergarten introduces word processing and working with text and files. (NENC006)

GALLERY EXHIBITS

Northport Gallery:

"From Concept to Reality" by Tom Stack

Architect and designer Tom Stack has created an exhibit which conveys how ideas on paper can become reality. The exhibit shows how the process of design is documented through models and drawings and communicated to others in a realization of a constructed building, interior, or product.

Mr. Stack is Design Director and senior associate at TPG Architecture and holds a Master of Architecture degree from Cornell University. In addition to designing buildings, he has handled interior design and furniture design for many institutions and companies. Mr. Stack will explore the world of design as a career on Tuesday, March 9, 7:30 p.m., at the Northport Library (see Design for Everyone on page 2).

East Northport Gallery:

"Mostly North Shore" Paintings by Barbara White

Artist Barbara White shares her landscapes of Long Island. A founding member of the Huntington Audubon Society and an avid photographer as well as painter, Ms. White attributes much of her development as an artist to her many instructors at the Long Island Art League.

AARP Driver Safety Program

(N) Monday, April 5, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Register March 20 at Northport Library. (NENA160)

AARP's program is a refresher course designed especially for motorists age 50 and older. There is a $14 fee ($12 for AARP members) payable to AARP by ***check or money order only*** at registration. Be sure to bring your New York State driver's license to class.

Defensive Driving

(N) Saturday, April 10, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Fee: $36

Applications for this point/insurance reduction safety course are available March 8 at both library buildings.

Explore iPhoto

(EN) Tuesday, March 16, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Learn more about iPhoto and your Apple computer. Apple-certified trainer John Budacovich will explain how to import, edit, and share your photos with family and friends using iPhoto. No registration required.

Digital Video 101 on Your Mac

(N) Tuesdays, March 23 & 30, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Registration begins March 9 at either library or online.

In this two-part workshop professional videographer David Levitsky will explore the basics of digital video and demonstrate how to capture an image, use simple editing techniques, and upload a video to YouTube. (NENC065)

Digital Photography 101

(N) Monday, April 5, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Registration begins March 22 at either library or online.

Explore the basics of digital photography including camera functions, shooting techniques, archiving, and more. (NENC066)

FOR CHILDREN

In the Museum Cove

Adopt-a-Tree

(N) Monday, March 29, 10:00 a.m.
For children in grades 3-5

Come to learn about the different types of trees we have on Long Island and how to tell them apart. We will then go outside to the Library Courtyard to study trees around the library. (60 min.) Registration begins March 15 at either library building or online. (NENJ277)

Saturday Storytime

(N) Saturday, March 13, 10:00 a.m.
For one, two, and three-year-olds with adult and siblings

Listen to stories, sing songs, and use rhythm instruments in this interactive program designed especially for families. (30 min.) Register March 6 at either library building or online. (NENJ298)

Toddlers Tango

(EN) Monday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.
Children 2 and 3 years old with adult and siblings

Active children will enjoy this creative movement and music program led by Nicole Sparling. (45 min.) Registration begins March 8 at either library building or online. (NENJ299)

Movie: *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*

(EN) Wednesday, March 31, 11:00 a.m.

The people of Chewandswallow are used to food falling from the sky like rain, but when the weather takes a turn for the worse, they are in for some big surprises. Rated PG. (90 min.) No registration required.

April Fools' Bingo

(N) Thursday, April 1, 11:00 a.m.
Children in grades K-5; adults and siblings welcome

Play a picture version of the familiar game of Bingo with an April Fools' twist. Win or lose, it's fun for the whole family. (60 min.) Registration begins March 18 at either library building or online. (NENJ289)

FOR PARENTS

Supporting Your Child's Social Skills

(N) Tuesday, April 13, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Special education teachers Tanya Perry and Deborah Huntsman will provide strategies and resources to enhance your child's social skills beyond the school day. Registration begins March 30 at either library building or online. (NENJ290)

Design A Bookmark Contest Congratulations!

The Northport-East Northport Public Library is happy to announce the winners of our 14th Annual Design A Bookmark Contest. The winning designs will be reproduced in the Library newsletter and featured in the Children's Room each month of the year.

All of the contest entries will be displayed in the Children's Room at the East Northport Library. Congratulations to everyone!

	Grade	Bookmark
Samantha Schoeps	5	March '10
Ashley Litsch	5	April '10
Bridget Clark	1	May '10
James Connor	1	June '10
Skyler Kouril	5	July '10
Julie Sledge	3	Aug. '10
William Connor	1	Sept. '10
Katie Sierra	3	Oct. '10
Dana Schoeps	2	Nov. '10
Dilan Rocco Piscatello	1	Dec. '10
Katherine Cianciotti	5	Jan. '11
Kelly Johnson	2	Feb. '11

The Bookmark Spot

Stop by the Library and pick up the March bookmark by Samantha Schoeps. A reading list, compiled by our Children's Librarians, is on the back.

Samantha Schoeps

FOR FAMILIES

Sunday Family Specials

For adults and children in grades K and up

Plaza Theatrical presents Frog & Toad

(N) Sunday, March 7, 2:00 p.m.

In a show that bubbles with wit, the cheerful Frog and the rather grumpy Toad share adventures during four seasons. Registration is underway at either library building or online. (NENA148)

"The Secret Garden"

(N) Sunday, April 11, 2:00 p.m.

The Hampstead Players present an enchanting play about a young orphan girl who goes to live with her uncle in the English countryside. Her youth and enthusiasm breathe life into each character she meets, bringing love back into the family. Registration begins March 13 at either library building or online. (NENA159)

See back page for more children's programs.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Display Tables in the Libraries ***Featured in March: "Sew Many Crafts, Sew Little Time"***	**1** Registration begins for Computer Kindergarten on 3/9 Registration begins for Teen Programs and Teen Volunteer Opportunities **Songs & Stories (EN) 10 & 11 am* *Taproot Writers Group (EN) 1:30 pm Seven Steps to Employment Success (N) 7 pm	**2** *Registration begins for Children's series programs* Short Story Central (N) 7 pm *Couponing for Beginners (EN) 7:30 pm	**3** **Tales for Toddlers (N) 9:30 & 10:30 am* Blood Pressure Check (N) 9:30-10:30 am (EN) 11 am-12 noon **Story Parade (N) 4 pm* **Strategies for Keeping Your Child Drug and Alcohol Free (EN) 7:30 pm* Long Island's Ruins, Part 2 (N) 7:30 pm	**4** AARP Tax Aid (EN) 9 am-12 noon **Tales for Toddlers (EN) 1:30 pm* **Story Parade (EN) 4 pm* Internet Basics (EN) 7:30 pm **Recognizing and Preventing Teenage Depression (N) 7:30 pm*	**5** AARP Tax Aid (N) 9 am-12 noon Movie: *2012* (EN) 1:30 pm **Preschool Storytime (N) 1:30 pm*	**6** *Registration begins for Saturday Storytime on 3/13* **I Am Learning French with Le Petit Prince (N) 11 am* ***Chill Out and Read" Reward Show with Lee Knight (N) 2 pm*
7 *Sunday Family Special: Plaza Theatrical presents Frog & Toad (N) 2 pm	**8** Applications available for Defensive Driving on 4/10 *Registration begins for Toddlers Tango on 3/22* *AARP Driver Safety Program (N) 9:30 am **Songs & Stories (EN) 10 & 11 am* **Preschool Storytime (N) 1:30 pm* *Taproot Writers Group (EN) 1:30 pm *Teen Advisory Board (N) 7 pm	**9** Registration begins for Digital Video 101 on 3/23 & 3/30 **Rock-a-Bye Readers (N) 9:30 am* **Preschool Storytime (EN) 9:30 am & 1:30 pm* *Computer Kindergarten (EN) 10 am *Pajama Storytime (EN) 7 pm* Design for Everyone (N) 7:30 pm	**10** **Tales for Toddlers (N) 9:30 & 10:30 am* **Stories in Motion (EN) 9:30 & 10:30 am* **Story Parade (N) 4 pm* Northport Arts Coalition presents Travels to Armenia through Song (N) 7 pm **Strategies for Keeping Your Child Drug and Alcohol Free (EN) 7:30 pm*	**11** Registration begins for Computer First Grade on 3/25 AARP Tax Aid (EN) 9 am-12 noon **Family Storytime (N) 9:30 & 10:30 am* **Tales for Toddlers (EN) 1:30 pm* **Story Parade (EN) 4 pm* **Design A Bookmark Reception (EN) 7:30 pm* *Jack's Last Call: Say Goodbye to Kerouac" (N) 7:30 pm	**12** AARP Tax Aid (N) 9 am-12 noon **Preschool Storytime (N) 1:30 pm* Movie: *2012* (N) 1:30 pm *Three Celtic Women (N) 7:30 pm	**13** Registration begins at East Northport for Boating Safety Course Registration begins for "The Secret Garden" on 4/11 **Saturday Storytime (N) 10 am* **I Am Learning French with Le Petit Prince (N) 11 am*
14	**15** *Registration begins for Adopt-a-Tree on 3/29* **Songs & Stories (EN) 10 & 11 am* *Taproot Writers Group (EN) 1:30 pm **Preschool Storytime (N) 1:30 pm* *AARP Driver Safety Program (EN) 6:30 pm Novel Ideas (N) 7 pm	**16** **Preschool Storytime (EN) 9:30 am & 1:30 pm* **Rock-a-Bye Readers (N) 9:30 am* *Spring into Storytime (N) 2 pm* Explore iPhoto (EN) 7 pm **Library Board of Trustees Meeting (N)** **Public Information Meeting (N) 7:30 pm**	**17** **Tales for Toddlers (N) 9:30 & 10:30 am* **Stories in Motion (EN) 9:30 & 10:30 am* **Story Parade (N) 4 pm* **Strategies for Keeping Your Child Drug and Alcohol Free (EN) 7:30 pm*	**18** *Registration begins for April Fools' Bingo on 4/1* AARP Tax Aid (EN) 9 am-12 noon **Family Storytime (N) 9:30 & 10:30 am* **Tales for Toddlers (EN) 1:30 pm* **Story Parade (EN) 4 pm* *Defensive Driving (EN) 7 pm Migrating Alewives (N) 7 pm	**19** AARP Tax Aid (N) 9 am-12 noon **1, 2, 3 Play with Me (EN) 10 am* **Preschool Storytime (N) 1:30 pm* Movie: *Where the Wild Things Are* (N) 1:30 pm *Pajama Storytime (N) 7 pm* Fireside Friday: Jazz with Halley Hiatt & Ralph Pugliese (EN) 7:30 pm	**20** Registration begins at Northport for AARP Driver Safety Program on 4/5 **I Am Learning French with Le Petit Prince (N) 11 am* *Book to Movie Matinee:* Holes *(N) 2 pm*
21	**22** Registration begins for Digital Photography 101 on 4/5 Registration begins for SAT Preparation Workshop **Toddlers Tango (EN) 10 am* **Preschool Storytime (N) 1:30 pm* *Taproot Writers Group (EN) 1:30 pm *AARP Driver Safety Program (EN) 6:30 pm *The Beauty of Self-Esteem for Teens (N) 7 pm	**23** **Preschool Storytime (EN) 9:30 am & 1:30 pm* **Rock-a-Bye Readers (N) 9:30 am* *Book-A-Trip to The Immigrant Experience departs 10 am *Teen Volunteer Opportunity: Helping Hands (EN) 4 pm *Defensive Driving (EN) 7 pm *Digital Video 101 on Your Mac (N) 7 pm	**24** **Stories in Motion (EN) 9:30 & 10:30 am* Current Events in Perspective (N) 7:30 pm	**25** AARP Tax Aid (EN) 9 am-12 noon **Family Storytime (N) 9:30 & 10:30 am* *Computer First Grade (N) 10 am Page Turners: Afternoon Book Discussion Group (N) 2 pm *Teen Volunteer Opportunity: Chess Club (N) 6:45 pm *Chess Club (N) 7 pm*	**26** AARP Tax Aid (N) 9 am-12 noon **1, 2, 3 Play with Me (EN) 10 am* **Preschool Storytime (N) 1:30 pm* Movie: *Where the Wild Things Are* (EN) 1:30 pm	**27** **I Am Learning French with Le Petit Prince (N) 11 am*
28	**29** **Adopt-a-Tree (N) 10 am* *Taproot Writers Group (EN) 1:30 pm	**30** *Registration begins for Supporting Your Child's Social Skills on 4/13* *Digital Video 101 on Your Mac (N) 7 pm	**31** Movie: Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs *(EN) 11 am* *It's Hip to Dip for Teens (EN) 3 pm	**Friday Movies for Adults** ***2012*** **(EN) Friday, March 5 1:30 p.m.** **(N) Friday, March 12, 1:30 p.m.** Join Cussler, stars in an epic adventure about global cataclysm. Rated PG-13. 158 min.	***Where the Wild Things Are*** **(N) Friday, March 19, 1:30 p.m.** **(EN) Friday, March 26, 1:30 p.m.** Based on Maurice Sendak's classic children's story, this movie is rated PG because there are scenes that may scare young children. 101 min.	

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

*Pre-registration or tickets required for this program.
Registration for Children's Programs is limited to Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders. Preference is given to Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders for Adult and Teen programs.

If you require any special accommodations because of a disability, please let us know.
Library staff may take photographs or recordings at Library programs for use in publicity. Please inform us if you do not want photos taken of you or your child.

FOR TEENS

Registration for the following programs begins March 1 at the East Northport Library or online at www.nenpl.org/teens.

The Beauty of Self-Esteem

(N) Monday, March 22, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Join professional model and actress Susan Bodell as she challenges today's stereotypical view of beauty and how the media distorts our view of reality. This interactive workshop will address teens' self-esteem and ways for teen girls and their parents to work together to improve their self-confidence. (NENY107)

It's Hip to Dip

(EN) Wednesday, March 31, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Cook up a pot of pizza fondue and enjoy a classic chocolate fondue for dessert with Chef Jo-Ann Tiranno. (NENY108)

Press-and-Glo Light

(N) Thursday, April 1, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Teens will use permanent markers and foam shapes to embellish their own press-and-glow light. Color themes, patterns, and room décor will be discussed as inspiration for individual designs. (NENY109)

SAT Preparation Workshop

(N) Thursdays, April 8, 15, 22, 29, 6:15-8:45 p.m.

High school students can prepare for the SAT exam with teachers Barbara White and Donald Loeffler. A non-refundable check for $100 payable to the Northport-East Northport Public Library must be brought to the East Northport Library within three days of registration. **Your registration is not complete until payment is received.** Registration begins March 22 at the East Northport Library or online. (NENY110)

Teen Volunteer Opportunities

Teen volunteer opportunities are open to students in grades 7-12. You may choose one volunteer opportunity in addition to Teen Advisory Board. Registration begins March 1 at the East Northport Library or online.

Teen Advisory Board

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

This special Teen Advisory Board meeting will feature Suzanne Litrel, author of the Jackie Tempo books. This series is about a 15-year-old girl and her friend Jon who find themselves in unusual situations and locales as they search across time and space for her parents. You will receive one hour of volunteer credit for attending this meeting. Refreshments will be served. (NENY104)

Helping Hands

(EN) Tuesday, March 23, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Help create seasonal decorations to send to Atria Assisted Living Facility and the Huntington Hospital pediatric unit. (NENY105)

Chess Club Volunteers

(N) Thursday, March 25, 6:45-8:00 p.m.

Help children in grades 3-6 learn to play chess. A basic knowledge of the game is required for all volunteers. (NENY106)

"The Library is a social asset beyond measurement."

—patron Burton Moses

Libraries Connect Communities

Today, more than ever, people are looking for meaningful ways to connect. Through its resources, technology, programs, facilities, and staff, the Northport-East Northport Public Library provides so many ways for patrons to connect to information, enrichment, entertainment, and their community.

Wealth of Shared Resources

- reference and reader's advisory
- employment & career information
- local history & genealogy
- tax preparation & forms
- newspapers & periodicals
- Homeward Bound
- materials for people with disabilities
- online databases
- DVDs & audiobooks
- interlibrary loan
- library website
- Answers 24x7
- Homework Help
- art and architecture speciality

State-of-the-Art Technology

- high-speed Internet connection
- WiFi access
- assistive technologies
- computer training
- software applications
- fax & photocopy machines

Engaging Programs

- book discussions
- lectures and workshops
- movies
- concerts and plays
- early literacy
- storytimes
- parenting programs
- teen volunteer opportunities
- summer reading clubs
- defensive driving courses
- museum passes
- Sunday Family Specials
- bus trips

Community Gathering Place

- community meeting rooms
- quiet study rooms
- tutorial rooms
- business, health, local history, & consumer centers
- art galleries
- Museum Cove
- courtyard
- cafes

One of the most valuable resources of the Library is its knowledgeable and conscientious staff. When you need assistance using any of the Library's services or resources, a staff member will be happy to help you.

Join the countless community members who find relevance, value, and life-changing opportunities when they connect at the Library.

Annual Library Vote

Tuesday, April 13, 2010 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

The Library's annual vote will be for two purposes: to vote on the Library budget for 2010/2011 and to elect one trustee whose term will commence on July 1, 2010 as a result of the expiration of the term of office presently held by Robert R. Little.

Important Voting Facts:

Public Information Meeting — Tuesday, March 16, 7:30 p.m. Northport Library Community Room

Who Can Vote — Anyone who is

1. at least 18 years of age;
2. a citizen of the United States;
3. a resident of the Northport-East Northport School District for at least 30 days;
4. registered to vote.

If you have not voted within four years in a general, school, or library election, registration is required. You need to register prior to April 2 in person or by mail with the Suffolk County Board of Elections in Yaphank. Applications are available in both library buildings. Registration for library and school district elections only may be made in person prior to April 8 at the office of the School District Clerk, 158 Laurel Avenue, Northport, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. any day that school is in session.

Absentee Applications — Applications for absentee ballots are available in both library buildings.

A Valued Community Resource Welcomes the Opportunity to Serve

Research by the Institute of Museum and Library Services has identified important changes public libraries are making to address patron needs in an increasingly Internet-centric environment. The research verifies that the nation's public libraries continue to be valued community resources with visitation and circulation increasing solidly over the past decade.

Libraries such as ours have recognized and adapted to new patron demands by drastically increasing the availability of Internet workstations, allocating greater proportions of collection expenditures to electronic materials, and providing a wider range of targeted programs. The library is the essential resource as a knowledge base, empowerment center, and cultural hub for the community. Whatever roles the Library can play in a patron's life, we welcome the opportunity to serve.

Our primary goal as Library Trustees has been to balance excellent library service with judicious use of tax dollars. This has resulted in a 1.6 percent tax increase in the 2010/2011 library tax rate.

We urge you to demonstrate the value you place in your Library by voting on April 13.

Library Board of Trustees

Elizabeth McGrail, Chairperson Andrea Gladding, Vice Chairperson
Ruth McKay Robert R. Little Patricia Flynn

Library Activities 2009*

- More than **2,722** new patrons obtained library cards
- **29,239** people in the community have library cards
- **542,375** visits were made to the library, **6,028** to the courtyard
- The Library has **152,739** books for adults **99,311** books for children **34,224** DVDs, videos, compact discs, audiobooks, playaways, and more than **930** newspapers and magazine subscriptions
- Our programs entertained, educated, and enriched **11,496** adults **1,844** teens **17,307** children
- **216,623** reference questions were answered: **124,422** asked by children **92,201** asked by adults
- **529,277** items were checked out by patrons
- **61,932** items were interlibrary loaned for patrons
- **134,315** patrons used the Library's Internet stations
- **50,659** patrons used the Library's applications computers
- **124,728** items were purchased from the cafes
- The Library was open for service **72** hours weekly in each building
- **224,988** visits were made to the Library's website which is accessible **24** hours a day, **7** days a week

*New York State Annual Report for Public Libraries 2009

Your Community Library

Proposed Operating Budget 2010/2011

	APPROVED BUDGET 2009/2010	PROPOSED BUDGET 2010/2011
LIBRARY MATERIALS & PROGRAMS		
Books, Periodicals & Electronic Resources	453,900	455,700
DVDs, Videos, CDs, Audiobooks	117,100	121,200
Adult, Teen & Children's Programming	84,500	90,500
LIBRARY OPERATIONS		
Computer Hardware & Software	138,800	134,100
Online Public Access Catalog & Circulation Control	58,500	59,300
Telecommunications	78,500	61,700
Equipment	53,300	53,200
Office and Library Supplies	69,000	82,500
Cafe Supplies, NYS Sales Tax	63,200	68,300
Printing & Postage	68,500	72,500
Professional Development & Training	25,000	25,000
Professional Fees	54,000	52,500
SCLS Plan of Service Participation	84,500	86,500
LIBRARY BUILDINGS & MAINTENANCE		
Fuels & Utilities	95,000	97,800
Facilities Repairs & Improvements	84,900	87,300
Maintenance Supplies	40,000	40,000
Building & Equipment Service Contracts	144,300	150,400
Insurance	106,000	96,600
EMPLOYEE SALARIES		
Sunday & Holiday	217,500	208,700
Professional	2,658,800	2,659,900
Clerical/Technical, Cafe & Library Pages	1,871,100	1,911,600
Custodial & Security Guards	406,500	414,100
MANDATED & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		
Social Security	365,000	387,400
Deferred Compensation, Retirement	440,000	455,000
Health Insurance, Disability & Group Life	614,600	648,100
MTA TAX	0	17,700
DEBT SERVICE — PRINCIPAL & INTEREST	553,100	551,500
CAPITAL & TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENTS	50,000	50,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	8,995,600	9,139,100
ANTICIPATED REVENUE		
Fines & Fees	79,600	76,100
Interest, Library System Grant	66,000	31,000
Café	91,000	95,000
Unrestricted Fund Appropriation	155,000	193,000
TOTAL REVENUE	391,600	395,100
TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	**8,604,000**	**8,744,000**

TAX RATE HISTORY AND PROPOSAL

	Approved 2009/2010	Proposed 2010/2009
Amount to be raised by taxes	$8,604,000	$8,744,000
Assessed Valuation of District	$81,181,072	$81,181,072 (est.)
Tax rate per $100	$10.60	$10.77
$ Change in tax rate	0.02	0.17
% Change in tax rate	0.19%	1.60%

The estimated increase in the tax rate is $0.17 per $100 assessed valuation, which based on a $4,000 assessment, amounts to $6.80 for the year per household.

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9 to 9 Monday thru Friday
9 to 5 Saturday
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FOR CHILDREN

Pajama Storytime

(EN) Tuesday, March 9, 7:00 p.m.
(N) Friday, March 19, 7:00 p.m.

Children with their adults enjoy some great stories. (30 min.) No registration required.

Spring into Storytime

(N) Tuesday, March 16, 2:00 p.m.

Children ages birth-five years with adult; siblings welcome

Stop by for a lively early literacy storytime complete with songs, rhymes, and activity ideas to do at home. (30 min.) No registration required.

Book to Movie Matinee: Holes

(N) Saturday, March 20, 2:00 p.m.

Stanley Yelnats is falsely accused of stealing a pair of sneakers and is sentenced to serve time at Camp Green Lake. A copy of this teen adventure book will be raffled. Rated PG. (117 min.) No registration required.

Chess Club

(N) Thursday, March 25, 7:00 p.m.

Children in grades 3-6

Have fun, learn to better your game, and practice good sportsmanship! (45 min.) No registration required.

Registration for the following series programs begins March 2.

- Programs are offered according to age on a **monthly** basis.
- Please ensure your child meets the **specific** age criteria of the particular program for which you are registering. Programs are designed with these age specifications in mind.
- Your child may register for **one** series program per month. If the program you want is full, you may place your child's name on **one** wait list only.
- Please use your child's library card to register and be sure to provide all necessary information in the "**note to instructor**" field.

Rock-a-Bye Readers

For babies not yet walking, with adult; no siblings

Learn Mother Goose rhymes and poems, share songs and fingerplays, and read board books together. (30 min.) (NENJ292)

Northport: Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.
March 9, 16, 23

Stories in Motion

For walkers up to 23 months with adult; no siblings

Share action stories and use rhythm instruments in this interactive class for energetic toddlers. (30 min.) (NENJ293)

East Northport: Wednesdays, 9:30 or 10:30 a.m.
March 10, 17, 24

Preschool Storytime

For children ages 4-5 not yet in kindergarten; independent program

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

Northport: Mondays, 1:30 p.m. (NENJ296)
March 8, 15, 22, April 5, 12, 19

Northport: Fridays, 1:30 p.m. (NENJ296)
March 12, 19, 26, April 9, 16, 23

East Northport:
Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. (NENJ297)
March 9, 16, 23, April 6, 13, 20

1, 2, 3 Play With Me

For 1, 2, and 3-year-olds with adult; siblings welcome

Within a creative play environment, families can share circle storytime, enjoy an art experience, and talk to a child development specialist. (60 min.) (NENJ294)

East Northport: Fridays, 10:00 a.m.
March 19, 26, April 9, 16

Family Storytime

For 1, 2, and 3-year-olds with adult; siblings welcome

Listen to stories, sing songs, and use rhythm instruments with your family in this beginning storytime. (30 min.) (NENJ295)

Northport: Thursdays, 9:30 or 10:30 a.m.
March 11, 18, 25

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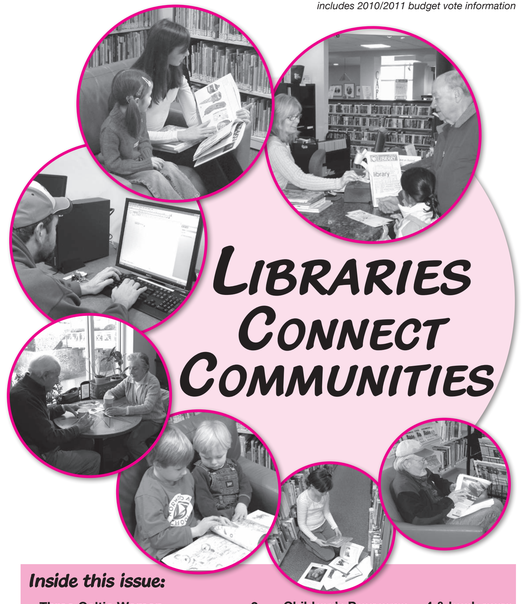

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