





# Down on the Farm

Yee haw! The Suffolk County Farm has come to town! You are invited to visit the Museum Cove, located in the Children's Room of the Northport Library, between September and December to enjoy our new exhibit **Down on the Farm**. The Suffolk County Farm is a real working farm as well as an educational facility located in Yaphank. It is owned by Suffolk County and has been operated by Cornell Cooperative Extension since 1974. For our exhibit, the Farm has loaned the Library a number of fascinating items that highlight the importance of farming to Long Island life, both past and present. These artifacts are on display in the Museum Cove.

Educators from Cornell Cooperative Extension will be conducting programs designed to inform children and their families about various aspects of agricultural life. Come meet some live farm animals, find out how food gets from the fields to your table, and learn about ways you can reduce your ecological footprint. There will also be opportunities to create farm crafts and even make an apple pie!

Although farmland has all but disappeared from our immediate area, a short drive east to the Suffolk County Farm allows visitors the opportunity to encounter life on an active farm. And a trip to the Northport Library Museum Cove this fall offers patrons a local **Down on the Farm** experience.

**Here are some great "farm picks" for kids:**

- Big Red Barn* by Margaret Wise Brown
- The Cow Loves Cookies* by Karma Wilson
- Farm* by Elisha Cooper
- Farm Flu* by Teresa Bateman
- Farm Year* by Monika Popp
- Hen Hears Gossip* by Megan McDonald
- Mrs. Wishy-Washy* by Joy Cowley



- On the Farm* by David Elliott
- Rosie's Walk* by Pat Hutchins
- Tillie Lays an Egg* by Terry Golson
- Tough Chicks* by Cece Meng

## FOR CHILDREN

### The Road to Reading

Children's Librarians at the Northport-East Northport Public Library can help you nurture your child's literacy skills. **The Road to Reading** is a progressive series of programs for children and parents. Offered throughout the school year, these programs help children develop listening and thinking skills along with a lifelong love of reading. Visit the Early Literacy page on our Children's website at [www.nenpl.org](http://www.nenpl.org) for information about the developmentally appropriate programs that are offered at the Library.



Registration for preschool series programs will be held once a month throughout the school year. Your child's Northport-East Northport Library card is required for in-person or online registration.

Registration for the following series programs begins September 2.

**Please note:**

- 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.

— programs for children and accompanying adult; no siblings please —

### Rock-a-Bye Readers

Babies not yet walking, with adult; no siblings

Bond with your baby and learn rhymes, songs, and poems that teach the early literacy skill of phonological awareness. Help your baby learn the sounds that are the building blocks of words. (30 min.) (NENJ415)

**Northport:** Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. September 14, 21, 28

### Stories in Motion

Walkers up to 23 months with adult; no siblings

Energetic toddlers are kinesthetic learners who learn best when they are actively engaged. Enjoy action stories and music and use rhythm instruments to reinforce the natural rhythms of language and strengthen phonological awareness. (30 min.) (NENJ416)

**East Northport:** Wednesday, 9:30 or 10:30 a.m. September 15, 22, 29

### Tales for Toddlers

Children 2-3 years with adult; no siblings

Experience a beginning story-time that will emphasize narrative skills as we share books and flannel board stories. Read a board book together to give your child an opportunity to understand that the print they see consists of the same words they speak and hear. Participate in a hands-on activity. (30 min.) (NENJ417)

**East Northport:** Thursdays, 9:30 or 10:30 a.m. September 16, 23, 30

— programs for families —

### Songs and Stories

Children ages 1-3 years with adult; siblings welcome

Sing songs and rhymes as you and your child listen to musical stories selected to emphasize the natural rhythm of language in this interactive group experience. (30 min.) (NENJ418)

**East Northport:** Mondays, 10:00 or 11:00 a.m. September 20, 27, October 4,

### Family Fun

Children ages 1-3 years with adult; siblings welcome

Through play, children learn and develop fine and gross motor skills. Families can share a circle storytime and enjoy an art experience. (60 min.) (NENJ419)

**Northport:** Fridays, 10:00 a.m. September 17, 24, October 1

— an independent program — for children

### Preschool Storytime

Children 4-5 years not yet in kindergarten

Children listen to stories, sing songs and rhymes that increase vocabulary and letter knowledge, and participate in hands-on activities to recreate the narrative elements of the story. (30 min.)

**East Northport:** (NENJ420) Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. September 14, 21, 28

**Northport:** (NENJ421) Fridays, 1:30 p.m. September 17, 24, October 1

## FOR CHILDREN



### Understanding Separation Anxiety

(N) Tuesday, September 28, 7:30 p.m.

Are you frustrated when your child cries or refuses to go to school or day-care? Tired of resorting to bribes or punishments? Join licensed clinical social worker Mary Beth Denniston as she answers your questions and gives you strategies to help you and your child. (60 min.) Registration begins Tuesday, September 14 at either library or online. (NENJ426)

For further reading about separation anxiety, check out our Parent's Collection. Our Children's Librarians will be happy to assist you.

### Pajama Storytime

(EN) Tuesday, September 14, 7:00 p.m. (N) Friday, September 24, 7:00 p.m.

Children with their adults can come ready to sit and listen to some great stories. Wear your pajamas and bring your favorite teddy or stuffed animal. (30 min.) No registration required.



### Lots of Ways to Listen

Heard any good books lately? Your Library card gives you access to a number of ways you can listen to a good book. Come to the library and check out an audiobook or a Playaway. Can't get to the library? Visit our website at [www.nenpl.org](http://www.nenpl.org) and download free audiobooks to your MP3 player or iPod.



### Online Encyclopedias: Fun, Fast, and Full of Information

As school begins and you need help with reports, or if you just like to browse, check out our fascinating, up-to-date online encyclopedias. Go to the Library's website at [www.nenpl.org](http://www.nenpl.org), click on Online Research, then Children's Databases. *Britannica Online for Kids* includes articles, colorful and timely videos and websites, as well as an atlas, dictionary, and thesaurus. *Grolier Online for Kids* searches for information in four different encyclopedias at once and has links to websites, media, and magazine articles.

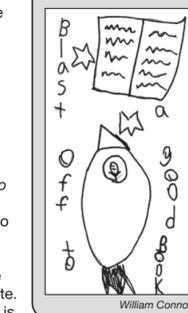
### School Assignment Scavenger Hunt

(N) Thursday, October 7, 7:00 p.m. Children in grades 3-5

Be prepared for your next report. Let a Children's Librarian lead you through the maze of information in the library and online. (60 min.) Registration begins September 23 at either library building or online. (NENJ427)

## The Bookmark Spot

Stop by the Library and pick up the September bookmark by William Connor. A reading list, compiled by our Children's Librarians, is on the back.



### Chess Club

(N) Thursday, September 30, 7:00 p.m. Children in grades 3-6

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

### Newbery Club

(N) Thursday, September 23, 7:00 p.m. Children in grades 4 and up

Children and tweens meet throughout the year to discuss recently published children's books. Their opinions are posted on the Newbery Book Club website. Attendance at the meeting is not a requirement for participation. No registration required.



Can't get to the library for storytime? Take home one of our new **Backpack Storytimes!** Each kit contains books, music, and fun hands-on activities. Ask a Children's Librarian for details or visit the Children's page of our website at [www.nenpl.org](http://www.nenpl.org).

The Summer Reading Club is over, but your charts may still be here. Please be sure to pick them up in the Children's Room by September 30.



## FOR FAMILIES



### Sunday Family Special

For adults and children in grades K and up

### The World of Reptiles and Amphibians

(N) Sunday, October 3, 2:00 p.m.

Join Erik's Reptile Adventures to celebrate the diversity of reptiles, amphibians, and arthropods from North America, South America, Africa, Asia, Australia, and Madagascar! This interactive presentation allows children to see, touch, and learn about the lives of these amazing animals! Participants will meet 12 species of animals including lizards, snakes, turtles, tree frogs, toads, salamanders, and an American alligator named Wally! Children will leave with new knowledge and appreciation for these amazing animals! (60 min.) Registration begins September 15 at either library building or online. (NENA198)



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9 to 9 Monday thru Friday  
9 to 5 Saturday  
1 to 5 Sunday

# Fresh from the Farm

## The Bounty of the Season

*Here are some books from our collection to nourish your body and your mind.*

<p><b>Bringing the Bounty Home</b> <i>American Cheeses: The Best Regional, Artisan, and Farmhouse Cheeses, Who Makes Them, and Where to Find Them</i> by Clark Wolf</p> <p><i>Coming Home to Eat: The Pleasures and Politics of Local Foods</i> by Gary Paul Nabhan</p> <p><i>Farm to Fork: Cooking Local, Cooking Fresh</i> by Emeril Lagasse</p> <p><i>The Farmers' Market Guide to Vegetables: Selecting, Preparing, Cooking</i> by Bridget Jones</p> <p><i>Farmhouse Cookbook</i> by Susan Herrmann Loomis</p> <p><i>Farms, Vineyards &amp; Small Towns of the North Fork of Long Island</i> by Bob Miller</p> <p><i>Fresh from the Farm: Great Local Foods from New York State</i> by Susan Meisel and Nathalie Sann</p> <p><i>The Greenmarket Cookbook: Recipes, Tips, and Lore from the World Famous Urban Farmers' Market</i> by Joel Patraker</p> <p><i>HEP Guide to Long Island: Farm Stands, Farmers Markets, CSA, and Local Purveyors</i> edited by Charles Monaco</p> <p><i>How to Pick a Peach: The Search for Flavor from Farm to Table</i> by Russ Parsons</p> <p><i>In a Cajun Kitchen: Authentic Cajun Recipes and Stories from a Family and its Farm on the Bayou</i> by Terri Pischoff Wuerthner</p>		<p><i>Local Flavors: Cooking and Eating from America's Farmers' Markets</i> by Deborah Madison</p> <p><i>Markets of New York City: A Guide to the Best Artisan, Farmer, Food, and Flea Markets</i> by Karen E. Seiger</p> <p><i>Plenty: One Man, One Woman, and a Raucous Year of Eating Locally</i> by Alisa Smith</p> <p><i>Outstanding in the Field: A Farm to Table Cookbook</i> by Jim Denevan</p> <p><i>Quail Hill Farm Cookbook</i> edited by Hilary Leff</p> <p><i>Seasonal Fruit Desserts: From Orchard, Farm, and Market</i> by Deborah Madison</p> <p><b>Growing the Bounty</b></p> <p><i>Grow Great Grub: Organic Food from Small Spaces</i> by Gayla Trail</p> <p><i>Heirloom: Notes from an Accidental Tomato Farmer</i> by Tim Stark</p> <p><i>My Empire of Dirt: How One Man Turned His Big City Backyard into a Farm: A Cautionary Tale</i> by Manny Howard</p> <p><i>Organic Farming: Everything You Need To Know</i> by Peter Fossel</p> <p><i>Small-Plot, High-Yield Gardening</i> by Sal Gilbertie</p> <p><i>This Common Ground: Seasons on an Organic Farm</i> by Scott Chaskey</p> <p><i>True East: Farming Ancestral Lands on Long Island's East End</i> by Wendy Chamberlin</p>
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A New Museum Cove Exhibit  
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