May is Older Americans Month



Defibrillators

Friday, May 8, 7:30 p.m. Northport Public Library

As pioneers of Senior Citizen Rock and Blue-Haired Blues. The Defibrillators poke good-natured fun at the foibles of aging with their contagious bluesbased rock originals. Billing themselves as "The World's Oldest Boy Band," The Defibs show they can kick it as energetically (if not as high) as any of the young bands on the scene. The Defibrillators have become a mainstay at the Riverhead Blues Festival, the Cedar Beach Blues Festival, and the Huntington Fall Festival. With humor, compassion, and great musicianship, The Defibrillators will jump-start your heart and revive your spirit. Free tickets are available now at both library buildings. (NENA047)

Social Security & You

(N) Wednesday, May 27, 7:00 p.m.

A representative from the Social Security Administration will explain retirement benefits calculation, supplemental security income, eligibility requirements survivor benefits, disability benefits, Medicare, and more. Social Security's new and expanding online services will also be discussed. Your questions are welcome and informational materials will be available. No registration is required.

Hearing Screening

(N) Thursday, May 21, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

The Huntington Hearing and Speech Center will provide free hearing screenings at the Northport Library. Screenings will be done on a first come, first served basis. No registration is required.

AARP Driver Safety Program

(N) Monday, June 8, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Register May 23 at Northport Library. (NENA053)

AARP's program is a refresher course designed especially for motorists age 50 and older. There is a \$12 fee payable to AARP by check or money order only at registration. A Northport-East Northport Library card is required to register.

Develop Your Own Wellness Strategy

(N) Thursday, May 7, 7:30 p.m.

Are there conditions and illnesses that affect your vitality? Whether your concern is weight loss, diabetes, osteoporosis, high cholesterol, or other physical injuries or limitations, Joe Melillo of Fitness Together will explore how you can start on the path to wellness This workshop will provide you with the questions you need to ask and the facts you need to know about medications, nutrition, and fitness to make the right decisions to help you get started on an effective wellness plan. No registration required.

Elderhostel: A World of Possibilities

(N) Tuesday, May 5, 3:00 p.m.

Elderhostel is the world's leading education and travel organization for older adults, providing approximately 8,000 programs a vear in more than 90 countries. Walter Chaskel, a volunteer "ambassador" for Elderhostel, will share the highlights of his many travel and learning adventures. He will explain the purposes, goals, and advantages of Elderhostel as well as explore some of the many stimulating destinations and discovery programs available. No registration is required.

Elder Law Update with George Roach

(N) Friday, May 15, 3:00 p.m.

George Roach of the Legal Aid Society will provide you with up-to-date information on estate planning, durable wills, powers of attorney, living wills, health care proxies, and long-term care options. Your questions are welcome. No registration required.

Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance

(N) Friday, May 22, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

A HIICAP volunteer will provide individual counseling to answer your questions about Medicare, supplementary insurance, and HMOs designed for Medicare recipients. Please call 261-6930 for an appointment.

A Guide for Seniors

Whether you are a long-time resident or new to the neighborhood, you'll want to take a look at the Library's brochure Living in Northport-East Northport A Guide for Seniors. This compilation of local contacts includes organizations involved with health, government, transportation, social services, and more. In addition, the guide highlights Library services of special interest to seniors. Copies are available at the Reference Desk in both library buildings.

FOR ADULTS

13 Legends of Fire Island and

(N) Thursday, May 14, 7:30 p.m.

If you like horror, suspense, history, and mystery, join Jack Whitehouse, author of 13 Legends of Fire Island and the Great South Bay. His new anthology of historical fiction includes stories about Fire Island's pirates, ghosts, and shipwrecks. There is a tale of Vikings on Fire Island. a story of unrequited love in the aftermath of a Revolutionary War battle, and another of German submarine saboteurs of World War II

Mr. Whitehouse has spent most of his life on or near the water. During the Vietnam War he served in the U.S. Navy aboard the destroyer U.S.S. Buck and later became commander of the gunboat U.S.S. Chehalis sailing out of Cuba. Copies of 13 Legends will be available for purchasing and signing. No registration required.

Northport Arts Coalition presents "Strings Attached"— A Violinist & Dancers Collaborate

The Northport Arts Coalition, in cooperation with the Library, will present violinist Matthew Pierce performing some of his pieces commissioned and written especially for modern ballets. After a brief intermission. Ghislaine Grillo will lead a group of local Danskinetics™ dancers from The Posey School. Mr. Pierce has created a new and original piece for them to dance to. To round off the evening, Ms. Grillo will offer some guided audience participation. No registration required.

(N) Wednesday, May 13, 7:00 p.m.



Internet Basics

(N) Wednesday, May 6, 7:30 p.m. Learn the fundamentals of Internet

access, email, and more with a Computer Librarian. No registration

Computer Second Grade (EN) Thursday, May 7, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

is payable at registration. (NENC008)

Register now at either library building. Learn how to create spreadsheets and workbooks, input and edit data, use formulas and functions, and work with columns and rows. A non-refundable \$5 fee

Switching from a PC to a Mac (N) Tuesday, May 12, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Are you considering switching from a personal computer (PC) to a Macintosh computer? An Applecertified trainer will discuss the differences between PCs and Macs and considerations such as transferring documents, pictures, and music. No registration

Ecological Gardening

(N) Monday, May 18, 7:30 p.m. You can do a lot to protect the

environment while creating a beautiful, vibrant garden and lawn. Lynn Thomson, "The Garden Lady," will provide information on water conservation, fertilizers, compost, lawn care, and pesticides. Whether you use one or all of her ecologically-minded tips, your efforts can make a difference in creating a healthier environment. Websites for future reference will also be provided. Registration begins May 2 at either library building. (NENA052)

Defensive Driving

(EN) Mondays, June 22 & 29, 7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: \$35 Applications for this point/insurance reduction safety course are available June 1 at both library buildings.



Australia

(N) Friday, May 8, 1:30 p.m. Nicole Kidman and Hugh Jackman star in

this sweeping epic set in northern Australia at the beginning of World War II. Rated PG-13. 165 min.

Nights in Rodanthe

(N) Friday, May 22, 1:30 p.m.

Based on the novel by Nicholas Sparks, this is the story of two people whose chance meeting sets in motion a life-changing romance. Rated PG-13.

Hands-on Google Applications

(N) Tuesday, May 26, 7:00-9:00 p.m Register May 12 at either library building.

Google Applications is a collection of free webbased programs such as Gmail, Google Calendar, and Google Docs. In this hands-on class you will create a new account, use the calendar functions, and more. Existing Google accounts will not be used. A nonrefundable \$5 fee is payable at registration. (NENC042)

Computer Third Grade

(N) Thursday, May 28, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Register May 13 at either library building.

This workshop covers multitasking, working with graphics, and using drawing and painting tools. A nonrefundable \$5 fee is payable at registration. (NENC009)

Computer Kindergarten

(N) Thursday, June 4, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Register May 21 at either library building.

This slow-paced, hands-on workshop covers using the mouse and the Windows desktop, opening programs, and saving files. A non-refundable \$5 fee is payable at registration. (NENC003)

FOR ADULTS

Current Events in Perspective (N) Thursday, May 28, 7:30 p.m.

Join Michael D'Innocenzo, professor of history at Hofstra University, to explore significant national and international developments. Mr. D'Innocenzo is the 2008 winner of the American Historical Association's Distinguished Teaching Award. All attending the program are welcome to share their views. No registration required.

Short Story Central (N) Tuesday, May 5, 7:00 p.m.

This month we will focus on stories from Wrestling with Angels by John J. Clayton. Please pick up your copies of the stories at the Circulation Desk in either library building.

Novel Ideas

(N) Monday, May 11, 7:00 p.m.

This month we take a look at Away by Amy Bloom. Please pick up your copy of the book at the Northport Library Circulation Desk.

M. J. Sullivan, Author of Necessary Heartbreak

(EN) Tuesday, May 5, 7:30 p.m.

Join Northport author M.J. Sullivan whose debut novel, Necessary Heartbreak, tells the story of a single father and his 13-year-old daughter who are transported to ancient Jerusalem. Mr. Sullivan is a sports journalist who has written for The Sporting News, New York Post and New York Newsday. He will discuss the writing and self-publishing process and copies of Necessary Heartbreak will be available for purchasing and signing. No registration required.



Display Tables in the Libraries

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FOR TEENS

Prom Fashion Show

(N) Friday, May 1, 7:00-8:00 p.m. Join the Teen Services Department for a fun

evening of prom fashions sponsored by Estelle's Dressy Dresses in Farmingdale and modeled by the Library's high school pages. See the latest prom fashions and designs and enjoy entertainment by Northport High School's a capella singing group The Multi-Colored Ties. Our fashion show commentator is model and actress Susan Bodell. In keeping with our fashion show theme we will be accepting donations of nearly-new, cleaned, interview-appropriate women's garments such as skirt and pant suits, coordinated separates, dresses, blouses, and jackets. These donations will be given to **Dress** for Success, an international non-profit organization that works to promote the economic independence of disadvantaged women by providing them with professional attire for interviews and jobs. In addition to providing clothing, **Dress for Success** provides a network of support and career development tools to help women thrive in work and in life. No registration required. All are welcome.

Northport High School Fashion Show

(N) Tuesday, May 19, 7:00-8:00 p.m. Meet the students from Northport High School's fashion design and illustration class taught by Robin

O'Neill-Gonzalez. They will embrace the ideals of "go green" by constructing their fashion show garments from recycled goods such as newspapers, shopping bags, and various organic fabrics. Some students have renewed everyday items by fabricating their pieces from things such as garbage bags and aluminum scraps. Come celebrate their creations at the spring fashion show! No registration required.

Teen Volunteer Opportunity

Teen volunteer opportunities are open to students in grades 7-12. Registration begins May 4 at the East Northport Library.

Helping Hands

(EN) Tuesday, May 12, 4:00-5:00 p.m. Help create summer decorations for the Atria Assisted Living Facility in East Northport. Registration begins May 4 at the East Northport Library. (NENY037)

Free Comic Book Day, May 2

Free Comic Book Day is a single day—the first Saturday in May-when participating comic book shops across North America and around the world give away free comic books to anyone who comes into their stores. (Check with your local shop for their participation and rules.) You can get further information by visiting the Free Comic Book Day website at www.freecomicbookday.com.

In keeping with our Fashion Show theme, books about the prom. Some new titles include:

Zombie Queen of Newbury High

by Amanda Ashby

Cindy Ella by Robin Palmer

May 2009 • Northport-East Northport Public Library • May 2009 **Tuesday** Friday Wednesday Thursday Saturday Monday

EXHIBITS

37th Annual Art Exhibit

by Students of the

Northport-East Northport School District

Thank you for approving the 2009/2010 Library Budget Congratulations to Library Trustee-elect

Registration begins

Jorthport High School Fashion

Show: Go Green, Go Nature!

(N) 7 pm

Sunday

Patricia Flynn.

AARP Driver Safety

Program (N) 9:30 am

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A schedule of exhibit dates is available at both library buildings.

Hearing Screening (N) 2 pm

Registration begins for

Lee Knight in Concert

on 6/24 and The Color

of Music on 6/25

Chess Club (N) 7 pm

Computer Third Grade

Kindergarten Reading Fun

urrent Events in Perspective

N) 10 am

(EN) 1:00 pm

(N) 7:30 pm

the Library (EN) 4 pm Prom Fashion Show

Movie: Nights in Rodanthe

*HIICAP (N) 6-8 pm by appt.

Board Game Afternoon

(N) 1:30 pm

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Defensive Driving (EN) 7 pm

Ecological Gardening

(N) 7:30 pm

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What's New to Read?

check out our updated bibliography featuring

My Fair Godmother by Janette Rallison

Suzi Clue: The Prom Queen Curse by Michelle Kehm

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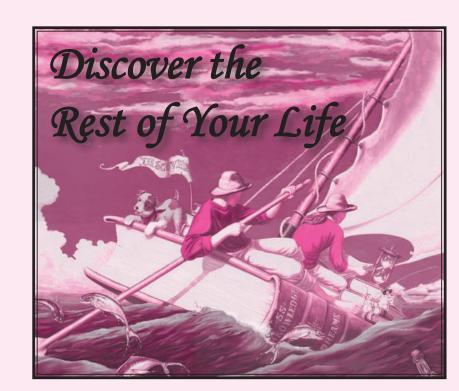
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Hands-on Google Applications

The Northport-East Northport Public Library encourages all patrons to participate in programs and activities. If you require any special

Registration begins for AARP

Driver Safety Program on 6/8



Whether you are looking for a "second act" after retirement, want to refresh a current profession, or begin an entirely new career, these books can help guide you along:

The Accidental Masterpiece: On the Art of Life and Vice Versa by Michael Kimmelman

Age Smart: Discovering the Fountain of Youth at Midlife and Beyond by Jeffrey Rosensweig and Betty Liu

Catching the Big Fish: Meditation, Consciousness, and Creativity by David Lynch

Coaching the Artist Within: Advice for Writers, Actors, Visual Artists, & Musicians from America's Foremost Creativity Coach by Eric Maisel

The Creative Habit: Learn It and Use It for Life: A Practical Guide by Twyla Tharp

How to Plan a Great Second Life: Why Not Live Fully Every Day of Your Extra 30 Years? by Gordon Burgett

The Number: A Completely Different Way to Think About the Rest of Your Life by Lee Eisenberg

Portfolio Life: The New Path to Work, Purpose, and Passion After 50 by David Corbett

Revitalizing Retirement: Reshaping Your Identity, Relationships, and Purpose by Nancy K. Schlossberg

Secrets of Becoming A Late Bloomer: Extraordinary Ordinary People on the Art of Staying Creative, Alive, and Aware in Mid-life and Beyond by Connie Goldman and Richard Mahler

Too Young to Retire: 101 Ways to Start the Rest of Your Life by Marika and Howard Stone

U-turn: What If You Woke Up One Morning and Realized You Were Living the Wrong Life? by Bruce Grierson

What Color Is Your Parachute? For Retirement: Planning Now for the Life You Want by Richard N. Bolles and John E. Nelson

What Do You Want to Do When You Grow Up? Starting the Next Chapter of Your Life by Dorothy Cantor

Walking in This World: The Practical Art of Creativity by Julia Cameron

The Zen of Creativity: Cultivating Your Artistic Life by John Daido Loori

FOR CHILDREN



Mvsterv Fans! the Library (EN) Friday, May 1

grades 4 and up

Katherine Marsh, winner of the 2008 Edgar Award for Best Juvenile Mystery for The Night Tourist, returns to the Library to talk about the seguel The Twilight Prisoner. The title of this book was suggested to Ms. Marsh by a member of the Newbery Book Club when she visited the Library in 2007. Both books will be available for purchasing and signing. (60 min.) Registration is underway in both libraries. (NENJ072)

Paiama Storvtime

(EN) Tuesday, May 5, 7:00 p.m. (N) Friday, May 15, 7:00 p.m.

Children with their parents can come ready to sit and listen to some great stories. You'll sing songs and fingerplays too. Wear your pajamas, bring your favorite teddy or stuffed animal, and come join the fun. (30 min.) No registration required.

Chess Club

(N) Thursday, May 21, 7:00 p.m. Children in grades 3-6

All skill levels are welcome, but a basic knowledge of the game is needed. Come on down and flex your mental muscles! (45 min.) No registration required.

Animals

in Spring

(N) Monday, May 18, 4:00 p.m. Children in grades 3-5

Spring has sprung in the Museum Cove! An educator from the Sweetbriar Nature Center will bring some examples of local wildlife that wake up in the springtime. (60 min.) Registration begins May 4 at either library building. (NENJ070)

Class Visits and Library Tours

Did you know that many classes from local nursery schools visit the Library for tours and storytimes in May? Classes from local elementary schools also come to the Library to get Library cards, learn about services, tour the buildings, and hear stories.



New on the Library's Website

Can't get to the library but want to read a book? Check out TumbleBooks, our new online collection of animated talking picture books. Read popular picture books such as How I Became a Pirate or The Paper Bag Princess. You can have the story read aloud to you when you click on Tumblereadables. Books are available in French, Spanish, Italian, Chinese, and Russian. Audiobooks, puzzles, and games are also available at the TumbleBook Library. Ask a Librarian if you need help accessing this new online collection.

The Summer Reading Club

Stop by the Library and pick up the May bookmark by Gillian Zimmerman. A reading list, compiled by our Children's Librarians, is on the back.

The Bookmark

Spot



Get creative at the Library starting on June 20 when we launch our Summer Reading Club. Children from preschool through sixth grade are welcome to join and earn prizes and stickers for the time they spend reading at home. This eight-week program allows children to enhance their reading skills during the summer.

Mark your calendars—June 16 is the first of our eight registration days for the many exciting music, craft, and storytime summer programs the Library offers for children of all ages.

Be Creative at

Your Library



Introducing . . Online Program Registration

card to register online for Children's Programs.

Online Program Registration debuts May 28 for two children's programs being held in June. Registration begins at the library and from home at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 28.

Each child must have a Library card in order to register for a program. Prior to registration day, be sure to verify that the card is in good standing and that you **know the password** by checking your patron record in our online library catalog. Please contact a Children's Librarian if you have any questions.

Register online for Lee Knight in Concert or The Color of Music by going to the Library website at www.nenpl.org

- Click on the Online Program Registration icon.
- Enter the program title or the program code found after each program description in the Library
- Verify that your child is the correct age for the program. You will be prompted to add your child's birth date in the note field.
- Enter your child's library barcode and password. Each child will be permitted one seat in a program. • You can enter your email address and an instant
- email will be sent to confirm your successful registration. Don't have a computer at home? Come in and register

using a library computer or ask a Children's Librarian to

Lee Knight in Concert

(N) Wednesday, June 24, 3:00 p.m. Children ages 2-5 with adults; siblings welcome

Enjoy a lively interactive concert of original and traditional songs with professional musician Lee Knight. Even though this is a family program, it is specifically designed for children ages 2-5 with adult; siblings welcome. (45 min.) Online and in person registration begins May 28. (NENJ075)

The Color of Music (N) Thursday, June 25, 2:00 p.m.

Children ages birth-5 with adults; siblings welcome Join music educator Dara Linthwaite in a celebration of color through songs, puppets, and stories. Even though this is a family program, it is specifically designed for children ages birth-5 with adult; siblings welcome. (40 min.) Online and in person registration begins May 28. (NENJ076)

FOR PARENTS

The Apple of My Eye (N) Thursday, May 14, 7:30 p.m.

assist you.

Laura Ahearn, LMSW, executive director of Parents for Megan's Law and the Crime Victims Center, will present a program for parents and caregivers on how to protect children from sexual abuse or abduction. While most prevention programs focus on "stranger danger," this workshop will also address the reality that 90% of childhood sexual abuse occurs with someone with whom a child has an established and trusting relationship. Ms. Ahearn will teach parents real skills that will help protect their children. This informative program is taken directly from Ms. Ahearn's book, Megan's Law Nationwide and the Apple of My Eye Childhood Sexual Abuse Prevention Program. (60 min.) Registration begins May 1 at both library buildings. (NENJ074)

Ident-A-Kid Child **Identification**

Saturday, May 16 10 a.m.-2 p.m. **Northport Library**

This free child identification program is sponsored by Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota and administered by the Suffolk County Police Athletic League. Each child will have their photo taken and a print of their thumbs will be recorded in the Ident-A-Kid packet which parents take home. Included in the packet is a DNA kit for parents to use at home and areas to record their child's statistical information, emergency information, and immunizations. No registration is required.



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Something Special for Older Americans



Attention seniors! Use your Library card and save money!

If you are age 65 or older, the Northport-East Northport Library has something special for you! The Library has compiled a **Silver Star Coupon Booklet** in recognition of you, our nation's fastest growing population.* The booklet provides discount coupons for the Library Café, photocopies, programs, bus trips, overdue fines, and other Library services. Just come to the Circulation Desk at either library building—with your Library card and proof of age and pick up your new Silver Star Coupon Booklet.**

"But what if I don't have a Library card?"

If you don't already have a Library card, this would be the perfect time to obtain one. As a resident of the Northport-East Northport district, you are entitled to and can apply for your new Library card at any time. Visit the Circulation Desk in either the Northport or East Northport building, present two forms of

identification with your name, current address, and proof of age (for example: a driver's license, utility or tax bill), and we will mail your new Library card to you. It's that simple. (NENA054)

*according to U.S. Census Bureau projections **limit of one coupon booklet per patron per calendar year

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