

FOR ADULTS



Happy Holidays!

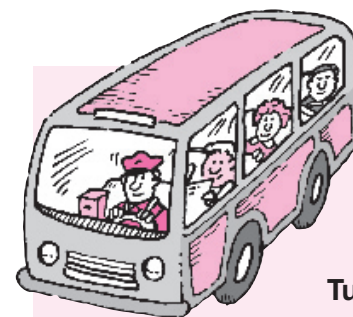
(N) Friday, December 9, 7:30 p.m.
Soprano Jeanette Reynolds, baritone Tony Castano, and pianist Ann Stevens return to the Library with a light-hearted evening of musical theatre for the holiday season. "Happy Holidays" features a glorious array of Broadway's best-loved songs including "Silver Bells," "White Christmas," and of course Irving Berlin's "Happy Holidays." Free tickets are available December 1 at both library buildings.

Northport Arts Coalition presents Bare Bones Productions

(N) Wednesday, December 14, 7:30 p.m.
The Northport Arts Coalition, in partnership with the Library, is pleased to present an evening of theatre with Bare Bones Productions. Developed out of an adult education class 7 years ago, Bare Bones Productions now makes its home at the Posey School in Northport Village. Under the direction of Jeff Bennet, members of the company have performed in regional theatre, New York City's Fringe Festival, and film. Bare Bones Productions will present a variety of scenes from the Broadway and Off-Broadway theater, guaranteed to delight and entertain. All are welcome.

Measuring the Galaxies

(N) Thursday, December 15, 7:30 p.m.
From the earliest times, humans have gazed at the heavens and pondered the size of the universe. It wasn't until the early 1900s that Edwin Hubble discovered that the universe was expanding and that galaxies were island universes containing billions of stars. Kenneth Lanzetta from Stony Brook University, one of the country's leading astronomers, will discuss how to measure the distances to the farthest galaxies. This program is sponsored by the Science Club of Long Island. All are welcome.



Book-A-Trip to Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum

Tuesday, January 31, 2006
Departure: 8:15 a.m. from the Laurel Ave. School parking lot (across from Northport Library)
Return: 5:30 p.m.
Cost: \$71 per person (checks only; payable to Northport-East Northport Public Library; non-refundable)
Itinerary: Get up close and personal with The Who's Who of American and international celebrities. Here's your chance to rub elbows with Oprah Winfrey, Regis Philbin, Bill Gates, Lucille Ball, and many others from the pages of history, the arts, and entertainment. Lunch at the popular Peking Duck will be followed by a stop for browsing at Chelsea Market.
Ticket sale: Saturday, December 10, 10:00 a.m. at Northport Library. Ticket limit: 2 per patron on the first day of sale. N-EN Public Library card required.



The New Medicare Prescription Plan

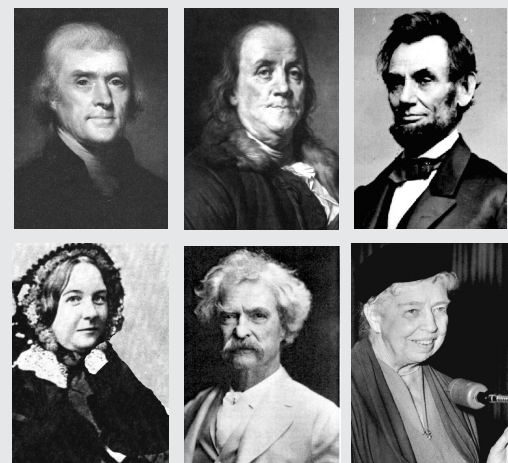
(N) Monday, December 5, 3:00 p.m.
(EN) Thursday, December 8, 3:00 p.m.
New prescription drug benefits will be added to Medicare in 2006. Representatives from the Social Security Administration will explain the types of plans available and the benefits available in each. They will also provide assistance in filling out subsidy applications. All are welcome.

EPIC: Prescription Protection for Seniors

(EN) Monday, December 19, 1:00 p.m.
Jill Mullen, a representative from New York State's Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage Program (EPIC) will explain the newly expanded prescription coverage plan. She will discuss eligibility requirements, the application procedure, and how EPIC can be used along with Medicare's new prescription plans. All are welcome.

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Men & Women Who Shaped America & the World



Our film and discussion series with moderator Michael D'Innocenzo continues in December and January. All are welcome.

Abraham Lincoln

Friday, December 2, 10:00 a.m.
The eloquent "log cabin President" guided the nation with integrity and humanity through the most profound conflict fought on American soil.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton

Friday, December 16, 10:00 a.m.
A woman of charm, intelligence and courage, Elizabeth Cady Stanton led the fight for a woman's right to vote and to own property.

Benjamin Franklin

Friday, January 6, 10:00 a.m.
Publisher, inventor, satirist, scientist, philanthropist, and statesman, Benjamin Franklin was a key player in the fight for American independence.

An Afternoon Tea Tasting

(N) Sunday, January 8, 2:00 p.m.
Come in from the cold and enjoy a private tea tasting of black, red, white, and green teas with Pat Sileo, proprietor of Tea & Tiques of Huntington. Pat will also talk briefly on the "discovery" of tea and how proper afternoon tea came to be. Scones and truffles will be served. Space in this program is limited. There is a non-refundable \$4 fee payable at registration which begins December 17 at the Northport Library. Please bring your favorite tea cup.

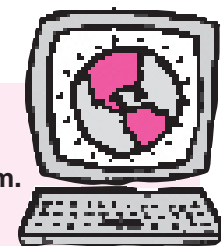


AARP Driver Safety Program

(N) Monday, January 9, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Register December 17 at Northport Library.
AARP's program is a refresher course designed especially for motorists age 50 and older. There is a \$10 fee payable to AARP by check or money order at registration. A library card is required for registration.

Defensive Driving

(N) Tuesdays, December 13 & 20, 7:00-10:00 p.m.
Applications for this point/insurance reduction safety course are available December 1 in either library building. Fee: \$35
(EN) Thursday, January 5 & 12, 7:00-10:00 p.m.
Applications for this course are available December 12 in either library building. Fee: \$35



Internet User Group

(N) Wednesday, December 7, 7:30 p.m.
Learn how to do advanced searches using the Internet Explorer, Firefox, and Opera browsers. All are welcome.

Address Labels & Envelopes

(N) Thursday, December 8, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Would you like to print custom labels and envelopes? This session will show you how to create address labels and envelopes from your home computer using Microsoft Word. All are welcome.

Computer Fourth Grade

(N) Thursday, December 1, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Registration began November 10 at Northport Library.
This hands-on class provides an overview of Windows file management. Instructors will cover how to find drives, copy and move files, and more. There is a non-refundable \$5 fee payable at registration.

Computer Fifth Grade

(EN) Tuesday, December 13, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
Register December 3 at East Northport Library.
Enhance your skills using the Windows desktop in this workshop for more advanced users. There is a non-refundable \$5 fee payable at registration.

Computer Kindergarten

(EN) Thursday, January 12, 10:00 a.m.
Register January 3 at East Northport Library.
This hands-on workshop is designed for the novice user. A non-refundable \$5 fee is payable at registration.

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Short Story Central

(EN) Thursday, December 1, 1:00 pm
(N) Tuesday, December 6, 7:00 p.m.
Join us as we discuss stories from *Fascination* by William Boyd. Pick up a copy of the stories at the Circulation Desk in either library building.

Novel Ideas

(N) Friday, December 9, 1:00 p.m.
(N) Monday, December 12, 7:00 p.m.
Rest ye merry gentlemen and ladies... by the fireside at the East Northport Library! Enjoy holiday music performed by the talented members of the Northport Middle School Chamber Ensemble under the direction of Anthony Tramontana. All are welcome.

FOR TEENS

Teen programs are open to students in grades 6-12.

Beaded Bracelet

(EN) Saturday, December 3, 1:00-2:30 p.m. or 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Create a glass beaded bracelet along with a colorful box to keep it in. There is a non-refundable \$5 materials fee payable at registration, which is now underway at the East Northport Library.

Teen Volunteer Opportunities:

Please choose one of the following opportunities.

Helping Hands

(EN) Tuesday, December 6, 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Join us as we make winter decorations to send to Huntington Hospital and the Dolan Family Health Center. Registration begins December 1 at the East Northport Library.

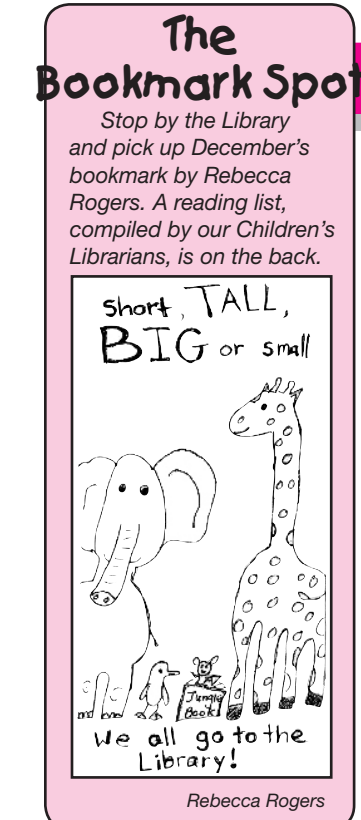
Holiday Gifts for the Homebound

(EN) Saturday, December 10, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Earn volunteer credit as you make floral gifts for the Library's homebound patrons. Joan Becker of the Asharoken Garden Club will help you create an arrangement using evergreens and holiday decorations. Registration begins December 1 at the East Northport Library.

Toys for Tots

(N) Tuesday, December 13, 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Help Teen Librarians sort and label the toy donations for the Marine Toys for Tots Program. Registration begins December 1 at the East Northport Library.

FOR CHILDREN



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Hand-Clapping & Toe-Tapping with Karen

(EN) Saturday, December 10, 10:00 a.m.
Children ages 3 and up with adult
Come join in the fun with this lively and interactive family sing-along featuring the music of Karen Jordan. Registration began November 19 at the East Northport Library.



In The Museum Cove:

StarLab
(N) Saturday, December 10, 2:00 p.m.
Children in grades K-3
Want to learn more about the constellations? Visit the Library and step inside a mobile planetarium to see and hear all about the stars. Registration begins November 26 at the Northport Library.

The Newbery Medal Club

(N) Tuesday, December 6, 7:00 p.m.
Children in grades 4 and up; adults welcome
Join us as we prepare the ballot for our Mock Newbery Election which will be held on Friday, January 6. Make sure your favorite books are on the list!

Story Parade

(N) Wednesdays, January 18, 25, February 1 & 8 4:00 p.m.
(EN) Thursdays, January 19, 26, February 2 & 9, 4:00 p.m.
A story and craft program for children in grades K through 5. Registration begins January 6 in both library buildings.

FOR FAMILIES



Sunday Family Special

The Jester Jim Show

(N) Sunday, December 4, 2:00 p.m.
For adults and children in grades K and up
With a trunk full of props and tons of energy, Jester Jim takes the stage to perform a fun-filled variety show with juggling, magic, balancing, and comedy. Free tickets are available now at both library buildings.

Downloadable Audiobooks — Anytime, Anywhere

The Northport-East Northport Public Library is pleased to introduce downloadable audiobooks! Library patrons may now access audiobooks from Recorded Books and NetLibrary via their home or laptop computer. This new service provides access to nearly 1,000 audiobook titles from favorite best-selling authors and award-winning narrators to non-fiction titles on business, finance, personal growth, and more. They can be "checked out," downloaded, transferred to an MP3 player (iPods currently do not support this file type), or listened to on the computer.
To download an audiobook, visit the Library's homepage at nenpl.org. Click on the audiobook icon to begin a one-time registration process. The easy-to-use menu allows you to search the audiobook collection by title, author, or keyword.
A demonstration of the new Downloadable Audiobook service will be held at both library buildings in January. Watch the newsletter for further details.



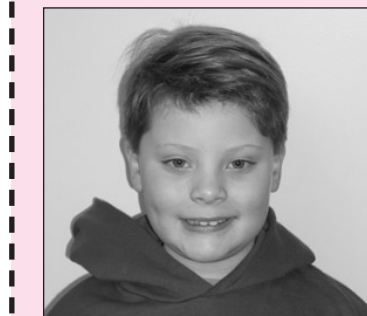
Connect to the Library's homepage at www.nenpl.org and click on the "Live Librarian" link to reach a Reference Librarian on duty. After discussing your question, the Librarian will use an array of Internet subscriptions and databases to find your answer. The Librarian can then forward the results to your home computer. This one-on-one service is a cooperative project of the public libraries of Suffolk County.

—GALLERY EXHIBITS—

Northport Gallery:

Silk Art by Elizabeth Yaari
Silk has been around for 3,000 years, but artist Elizabeth Yaari discovered it in 2001. Ms. Yaari stretches the silk and paints on it using a metallic outliner and dyes. Yaari's paintings hang in many Long Island homes and businesses. Her work has appeared on TV shows and her "Monthly Dose of Art" email promotion was featured in a *Long Island Business News* report. Yaari demonstrates her silk painting at art shows, galas, and parties.

I Checked It Out at the Library!



Your Name
Karl Salzmann
What are you reading?
Hermit Dan by Peggy Parish
How did you pick this book?
I like the other books in this series.
Are you enjoying it?
Yes
What's the last book you read?
Haunted House
What will you read next?
The Pirate Island Adventure

East Northport Display Case: Celebrity Ceramics for Long Island Cares
Frank Duffy exhibits celebrity artwork and doodles reproduced on white ceramic tiles.

FOR PARENTS

How to Talk So Kids Will Listen

(EN) Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Elementary counselor Nicole Barbier-Adil and guidance counselor Jennifer McNamara will help you hone your management skills as a parent. Topics will include encouraging cooperation, alternatives to punishment, and how to maintain your calm and your child's self-esteem as you negotiate everyday life. Please register at the East Northport Library beginning December 20.

**There's Still Time
to be a Donor to the
90th Anniversary
Courtyard Project!**

The new Library Courtyard is open!
The courtyard has added 3,000 square feet of outdoor space to the Northport Library building. It has been designed with the flexibility to allow for reading, conversation, Library Cafe seating, children's storytimes, and library performances and programs. All funds for the Library Courtyard were raised through the generous donations of local businesses, service organizations, and community friends and neighbors. It is not too late to be part of this exciting project.
Donations of \$500 or more, received by December 31, 2005, will be recognized on a permanent donor wall in the courtyard.
The official dedication of the courtyard will be held on Sunday, May 7, 2006. At that time, the donor wall will be unveiled and recognition will be given to all of those who have contributed.

**90th Anniversary Library Courtyard
Donation Form**

Donations of \$500 or more, received by December 31, 2005, will be recognized on a permanent donor wall in the courtyard. Donations of any amount are welcome.

Name _____
(please print)

Address _____

Town _____ Zip _____

Telephone (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

Enclosed is my check for: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to:
Northport Public Library Courtyard

Mail to: Director's Office, Northport Public Library,
151 Laurel Avenue, Northport, NY 11768

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Friday Movies for Adults</p> <p>"Mad Hot Ballroom" (N) Friday, December 2, 1:30 p.m. A comic and genuinely touching film about New York City public school children who journey into the world of ballroom dancing. Rated PG. 105 min.</p> <p>"Millions" (N) Friday, December 16, 1:30 p.m. A young Irish boy discovers what the people around him are made of when he finds a bagful of money. A masterfully written, directed and acted film. Rated PG. 98 min.</p>						
<p>4</p> <p>Sunday Family Special: The Jester Jim Show (N) 2 pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>The New Medicare Prescription Plan (N) 3 pm</p> <p>*Parenting Your Teen (N) 7 pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>*Stories in Motion (N) 9:30 am & 10:30 am</p> <p>*Teen Volunteer Opportunity: Helping Hands (EN) 4 pm</p> <p>Pajama Storytime (EN) 7 pm</p> <p>Newbery Medal Club (N) 7 pm</p> <p>Short Story Central (N) 7 pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>*Kindergarten Reading Fun (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>Blood Pressure Check (N) 9:30-10:30 am (EN) 11 am-12 noon</p> <p>Internet User Group (N) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>8</p> <p>*Shake, Rattle, and Read (N) 10 & 11 am</p> <p>*Kindergarten Reading Fun (N) 1 pm</p> <p>The New Medicare Prescription Plan (EN) 3 pm</p> <p>Address Labels & Envelopes (N) 7 pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>*Novel Ideas (N) 1 pm</p> <p>*Happy Holidays! (N) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>*Hand-Clapping & Toe-Tapping with Karen (EN) 10 am</p> <p>Ticket sale begins 10 am at Northport for Book-A-Trip to Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum on 1/31</p> <p>*StarLab (N) 2 pm</p> <p>*Teen Volunteer Opportunity: Holiday Gifts for the Homebound (EN) 2 pm</p>
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<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>EPIC: Prescription Protection for Seniors (EN) 1 pm</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Registration begins at East Northport for How to Talk So Kids Will Listen</p> <p>Library Board of Trustees Meeting (N)</p> <p>*Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Library Closed</p>
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N = Northport Library
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Italic type indicates Children's Programs.

*Asterisk indicates pre-registration or tickets required.

Occupancy of our meeting rooms is limited. Enrollment in our programs is limited, with preference given to Northport-East Northport Public Library card holders.

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You can find out if the Library is closed for inclement weather by tuning in to cable channel News 12 or radio station WBAB at 102.3 FM, or by calling the Library for a taped message.

The Northport-East Northport Public Library encourages all patrons to participate in programs and activities. If you require any special accommodations because of a disability, please let us know.

Start on The Road to Reading



Registration for the winter sessions of *The Road to Reading* will be held in the Community Room of the Northport Library on Saturday, December 3, at 9:00 a.m. A program schedule is available in both library buildings. Your Northport-East Northport Public Library card is required for registration.

Rock-a-Bye Readers

For babies, not yet walking
For you and your child only; no siblings please
Learn Mother Goose rhymes and poems, share songs and fingerplays, and read board books together.

Stories in Motion

For walkers through 24 months
For you and your child only; no siblings please
Share action stories and use rhythm instruments in this interactive class for energetic toddlers.

Songs and Stories

For one, two, and three-year-olds
With parent/caregiver and siblings
Sing songs and rhymes and respond rhythmically to music as you and your children listen to musical stories in this interactive group experience.

Family Fun

For one, two, and three-year-olds
With parent/caregiver and siblings
Within a creative play environment, families can share circle storytime, an art experience, and talk to a child development specialist.

Discovery Time

For children 2 years old
For you and your child only; no siblings please
Play together, create a craft, and become familiar with Library resources in a creative environment.

Our First Storytime

For children, 2½ through 3 years old
You and your child only; no siblings please
Experience a beginning storytime, share books and flannelboard stories, and create a theme-related craft.

On My Own

For three and four-year-olds
Children listen to classic stories, sing songs, do fingerplays, and create a theme-related craft in this first independent storytime.

Pre-K Storytime

For children eligible for Kindergarten in Sept. 2006
Children listen to a broad range of literature, songs and fingerplays, and create a theme-related craft in a group setting.



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