

THE LIBRARY

February 1999

We have
your best
interests
at heart!





FIRESIDE FRIDAYS

Join us around the fireplace at the East Northport Library. Limited seating is available.

Northport Middle School Brass Ensemble

(EN) Friday, February 12, 7:30 p.m.

Enjoy an evening of Renaissance, Baroque, and popular music performed by the talented students of the Northport Middle School Brass Ensemble under the direction of Stephen Paysen.

Poets Night & Open Reading

(EN) Friday, February 26, 7:30 p.m.

Our guest poet, Ian Wilder, will perform Spoken Word Poetry. Please bring your own verse to share at our open reading time.

Don't miss our Valentine special available at Fireside Fridays in the Library Cafe.

Defensive Driving

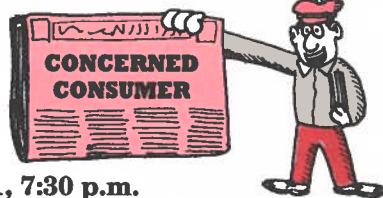
(N) Monday, February 22 & Wednesday, February 24, 7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: \$30

Applications for this six-hour course may be picked up at either Library beginning February 1.

Six Ways Retirees Ruin Their Finances

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

David S. Rodgers, a senior financial advisor and president of Rodgers & Company, will discuss six common financial mistakes often made by seniors and how to avoid them. All are welcome.



Poetry Workshop

(N) Saturdays, February 6, 20, & 27, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Bring your own verse, come to get inspired, or just drop in to listen and enjoy! Remember... on the second Saturday of each month we host a guest poet in the cafe.

Poetry in the Northport Cafe

(N) Saturday, February 13, 2:00 p.m.

Poet Philip Sparacino will read his own verse and will discuss performance and its role in poetics. Join us by the fireplace in the Northport Library.



"Barefoot in the Park"

(N) Friday, February 26, 8:00 p.m.

Plaza Theatrical Productions presents Neil Simon's romantic comedy about newlyweds moving into their first apartment. Throw in an eccentric neighbor and a meddlesome mother-in-law and you have non-stop laughter!

Tickets for this performance go on sale February 6 at both Libraries. Tickets are \$1 for adults, 50¢ for students, senior citizens, and persons with disabilities.



Novel Ideas

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

(N) Friday, February 12, 1:00 p.m.



This month we will focus on *Kaaterskill Falls* by Allegra Goodman. Please call discussion leader Dodie Gillman at 261-6930 if you would like to join this group.

Book & Sandwich (W)rap

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

(EN) Thursday, February 4, 1:00 p.m.

This month we will be discussing "The Succession," "Retrospective," and "The Closet" from *Total Immersion* by Allegra Goodman. To join us for some lively discussion, call Rosalie Toja or the Reference Department at 261-6930.

"Flight of the Stork:" An Open Discussion on Making & Blending a Family

(N) Tuesday, February 23, 7:30 p.m.

Barbie Osterling of "Born In My Heart" will explore adoption issues and how adults and children view family groups. All ages welcome.

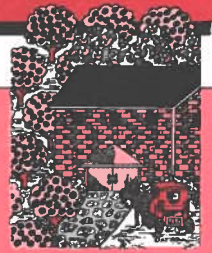
Coming Next Month...

"Very Truly Yours, Gilbert & Sullivan"

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

The Gilbert & Sullivan Light Opera Company of Long Island presents an engaging potpourri of excerpts from all 14 Gilbert & Sullivan operas. Tickets go on sale March 1.





Tile Mural of Old East Northport

The Library Board of Trustees wishes to thank all of those whose participation made our fund-raising campaign a tremendous success. The generous contributions of many patrons have ensured that the Tile Mural of Old East Northport will be an enduring treasure for the entire community to enjoy for years to come. Tile artist Esther Tollen will work on the project over the next few months. A dedication ceremony, to which the public will be invited, is planned for mid-April.

It's Tax Time Again

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (EN) Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. February 6 - April 10

VITA volunteers will be at the East Northport Library to answer your questions and to help fill out tax forms. VITA is sponsored by Hofstra University in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service.

Tax-Aide Program for Seniors (EN) Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (N) Fridays, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

AARP counselors, trained by the IRS, will be available at both Libraries beginning February 4 and continuing through April 15. If possible, please bring last year's completed tax forms with you.

No registration is necessary for either of these services. Assistance is available on a first-come, first-served basis.



to
The Philadelphia Flower Show
Thursday,
March 11, 1999

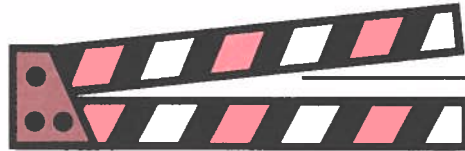
Departure: 7:30 a.m. from the Laurel Ave. School parking lot (across from Northport Library)

Return: 7:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40 per person (checks only; payable to Northport-East Northport Public Library; non-refundable)

Itinerary: The largest, most prestigious indoor flower show in the world heralds spring with this year's theme: "Design on Nature . . . The Art of Gardening." Enjoy lunch on your own at the spacious Pennsylvania Convention Center.

Register in person (limit 2 on first day of ticket sale) at the Northport Library beginning February 13.



Friday Afternoon at the Movies

Shall We Dance?

(N) Friday, February 5, 2:00 p.m.

A romantic comedy about a Japanese businessman who secretly studies ballroom dancing. He winds up in a colorfully eccentric class of beginners whose steps and missteps are funny and touching. Rated PG. *English subtitles.* 119 min.

Spitfire Grill

(N) Friday, February 19, 2:00 p.m.

This Sundance Film Festival award-winner is the story of Perchance "Percy" Talbot who seeks to build a new life in Gilead, Maine. A poignant parable of grace and redemption. Rated PG-13. 117 min.

Movie attendees will receive a special discount Library Cafe coupon.

Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance

(EN) Thursday, February 11, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

(N) Friday, February 19, 9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

HIICAP-trained counselors answer questions about Medicare, HMOs, and supplementary health insurance. Call 261-6930 to make an appointment in Northport or 261-2313 to make an appointment in East Northport.

55/Alive Driver Program

(N) Monday, February 22, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Register February 6 at the Northport Library

AARP's Mature Driver Program is open to district residents who are 50 years of age or older. There is an \$8 fee, payable to AARP by check or money order only. To facilitate registration, please bring your library card.



FOR CHILDREN



On Display

Our *Museum Cove* in the Children's Room at the Northport Library features an exhibit on loan from the Sweetbriar Nature Center. The exhibit, on display through April, explores the diversity of the bird kingdom, from the form and function of birds to their nests and

eggs. Children learn how humans affect the world of birds and are provided with insights into the dangers birds face.

The World of Birds

(N) Tuesday, February 2, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Grades 3 and up

Enter the world of birds. Learn what makes them different from each other and from the rest of the animal world. Registration is now underway at the Northport Library. Parents are welcome.

Feathered Friends

(N) Thursday, February 25, 4:00-5:00 p.m. Grades 1-4

Meet some members of the bird family and learn about their characteristics with a Sweetbriar Nature Center representative. Registration begins February 18 at the Northport Library.

Cleckenbird Hand Puppet

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

Artist Christopher Reisman will help children in grades 2-5 construct a noisy, clacking bird in our *Museum Cove*. Registration begins February 4 at the Northport Library.

Many thanks to retired teacher Ted Weisse for the loan of his colorful, framed jigsaw puzzles depicting birds of the world.

Parenting Program: Speech & Language Development of 4-6 Year Olds

(EN) Thursday, February 11, 7:30 p.m.

Nancy Crawford-Sutcliffe, a certified speech pathologist, will discuss how a child's speech patterns develop. She will also address your individual questions. Register at the East Northport Library beginning February 4.

Pajama Storytime

(EN) Tuesday February 2, 7:00 p.m.

(N) Friday February 12, 7:00 p.m.

Children, ages 3 and up, may wear their PJs to this half-hour, parent/child storytime. No registration required — your Library card is your ticket.

Parents: See page 2 for information on "Flight of the Stork," a program exploring adoption issues.

The Bookmark Spot

Stop by the Library and pick up February's bookmark by Taylor Fleming. A reading list, compiled by our Children's Librarians, is on the back.



Taylor Fleming

FOR YOUNG ADULTS



Valentine Heart Vase

(EN) Saturday, February 6, 2:00-3:45 p.m.

It's not too late to sign up for Christopher Reisman's Valentine Heart Vase craft! Register at the East Northport Library, where a sample is available in the YA Corner. Enjoy hot chocolate at the end of the program.



Visit Us!

Visit the YA Corner and you might be the lucky winner of Valentine candy if you can guess the number of candies in the bag. Also, pick up the newest list of special books for you. This month's theme is FRIENDSHIP! You'll find terrific titles for your winter break reading.

Homework Helper Websites

The YA website has great links for your homework needs. Click on THE REFERENCE SHELF for a dictionary or thesaurus, countries and their flags, grammar, quotations, and more. Check out the Internet Public Library's ULTIMATE SCIENCE FAIR RESOURCE with links to the basic materials to help you with your own science fair project. Samples, ideas, resources . . . it's all there.

You can find these sites from your home computer or use the Internet computer in the YA Corner at either Library. You will need written parental permission to use the Library computers. Just stop at the Reference Desk with a parent or guardian and fill out the YA Internet Agreement Form. Don't forget your library card!



The Heart of Research: The Reference Centers at the Northport Library



The Health Center

For up-to-date medical, drug, nutrition, and wellness information, visit our Health Center. Available to you are:

- ♥ reference and circulating books
- ♥ pamphlet collection
- ♥ journals, magazines, and newsletters
- ♥ directories of doctors, hospitals, and health centers

The Art Mezzanine

Long heralded as the “Art” library of Suffolk County, our Library has maintained its status with an array of print materials and CD-ROM products to help patrons with their art reference questions. This in-depth collection includes:

- ♥ *Benezit's Dictionnaire* and other multi-volume art encyclopedias
- ♥ auction and sale catalogs from Sotheby's and Christie's
- ♥ reference and circulating books and periodicals
- ♥ *Mayer International Auction Records* and *ArtFact* on CD-ROM

The Business Center

The Business Center's resources include the areas of finance, insurance, real estate, investing, marketing, economics, and business start-ups. Besides an extensive reference collection, the center houses business periodicals and a pamphlet file. You will find:

- ♥ company information
- ♥ product directories and catalogs
- ♥ ratings of various investment instruments
- ♥ cost of living data
- ♥ insurance company ratings
- ♥ business start-up and franchise information
- ♥ tax facts — codes, handbooks, and newsletters

The Local History Center

To answer questions pertaining to the history of our community, Library, or Long Island, our Local History Center is the place to go. Among the materials located here are:

- ♥ local history books, periodicals, pamphlets, and clippings
- ♥ historical societies' newsletters and publications
- ♥ genealogy resources
- ♥ preservation information

The Consumer Center

Whatever your next purchase may be, the materials in the Consumer Center will help you make valid consumer decisions. Available resources include:

- ♥ buying guides for cars, gadgets, computers, and appliances
- ♥ buying guides for office products and services
- ♥ consumer periodicals

The Career Center

Designed for college, employment, and career research, this collection contains resources that enable the job seeker and the college-bound to find the information they need. There are circulating and reference books and periodicals, computer software, and video and audio cassettes. Its resources include:

- ♥ Civil Service and other test study guides
- ♥ college catalogs
- ♥ scholarship and financial aid information
- ♥ continuing education catalogs
- ♥ national job search resources
- ♥ resume writing guides
- ♥ information on occupational outlooks, salaries, and professional licensing

The Virtual Reference Collection

A reference desk that's open 24 hours a day! Impossible you say? Not with the Library's Virtual Reference Collection.

The Virtual Reference Collection is a joint venture of Suffolk public libraries and the Suffolk Cooperative Library System. It contains both full-text databases (*Encyclopedia Americana*, *Newsday*, and *Gale's Literary Criticism*) and databases that have some full-text magazine and journal articles and some abstracts (*SearchBank* and *Wilson Humanities Index*) as well as company information and investment reports. Links are also provided to databases, indexes, and directories that do everything from identifying companies and their brands to indexing newspapers from around the country.

The Virtual Reference Collection is available through SuffolkWeb on the Library's home page: <http://www.suffolk.lib.ny.us/libraries/netwalk>. It may be accessed at the Library or from your home or office computer. You may apply for a free SuffolkWeb account at the Reference Desk if you have an up-to-date Northport-East Northport Library card.

Information Alert

From the Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees has set the annual Library vote for Tuesday, April 13, 1999. Voting will be for two purposes: to vote on the Library budget for 1999/2000 and to elect one trustee whose term will commence on July 1, 1999.

Petitions for nominating candidates for the office of trustee will be available from the office of the Clerk of the Library Vote at the Northport Library, 151 Laurel Avenue, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. beginning February 25. The last filing date is March 15, 1999.

IN THE GALLERY

Northport Gallery: "Found Collages" and "Your Face Here" by Louise Millmann

In "Your Face Here" artist Louise Millmann creates her own interpretation of the "modern woman" by using self-portraits digitally superimposed onto images from women's magazines and pulp-fiction paperbacks. "Found Collages" combines scrapbook images circa 1920-50 and other ephemera.

East Northport Display Case: "National Pastime" by Kevin O'Gara

Baseball memorabilia collector Kevin O'Gara will display gloves, bats, and other ephemera from the 1870s through the 1920s and 30s.

East Northport Gallery: Fabric Images by Judy Hartman

Ms. Hartman is a fiber artist who lives in Northport. Using a variety of fabrics, threads, and sewing notions, she has been creating fabric pictures for more than twenty years.

Floral Decorations:

Northport: Arrangement courtesy of Flower Basket.



Snow . . . Snow . . . Snow

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

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Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Applications available for Defensive Driving on 2/22 & 2/24 *On My Own (N) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *Tales for Two (EN) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *Fours and More (N) 1:30 pm *55/Alive Mature Driver Program (N) 6 pm	2 *Tales for Two (N) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *Fours and More (EN) 9:30 am Pajama Storytime (EN) 7 pm *Book & Sandwich (W)rap (N) 7 pm *The World of Birds (N) 7 pm	3 *Laptime (N) 9:30 am & 10:30 am Free Blood Pressure Check (N) 1-2:15 pm (EN) 2:30-4 pm *On My Own (EN) 1:30 pm *Story Parade (N) 3:30 pm *55/Alive Mature Driver Program (N) 6 pm	4 Registration begins at East Northport for Speech & Language Development on 2/11 and at Northport for Cleckebird Hand Puppet on 2/18 AARP Tax-Aide Program (EN) 9 am - 1 pm *Parent/Child Wksp. (N) 9:30 am *On My Own (EN) 9:30 & 10:30 am *Tales for Two (EN) 1:30 pm *Book & Sandwich (W)rap (EN) 1 pm NETWALK Internet User Group (N) 7:30 pm	5 AARP Tax-Aide Program (N) 9 am-1 pm *Parent/Child Discovery Time (EN) 9:30 am *Fours and More (N) 9:30 am *Fours and More (EN) 1:30 pm Friday Afternoon at the Movies: Shall We Dance? (N) 2 pm *Story Parade (EN) 3:30 pm *Young Adult Book Reviewers (EN) 4-5 pm Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	6 Registration begins at Northport Library for 55/Alive Mature Driver Program on 2/22 Ticket sales begin for "Barefoot in the Park" on 2/26 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (EN) 9 am-1 pm *Museum Day for Preschoolers (N) 9:30 am Poetry Workshop (N) 2 pm *(YA) Valentine Heart Vase (EN) 2-3:45 pm	7
8 *On My Own (N) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *Tales for Two (EN) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *Fours and More (N) 1:30 pm *Novel Ideas (N) 7 pm *Bisque Rose Wreath (N) 7:30 pm	9 *Tales for Two (N) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *Fours and More (EN) 9:30 am *Open for Discussion: Parent/Child Book Discussion (N) 7:30 pm	10 *On My Own (EN) 1:30 pm *Story Parade (N) 3:30 pm *55/Alive Mature Driver Program (N) 6 pm	11 AARP Tax-Aide Program (EN) 9 am-1 pm *Parent/Child Wksp. (N) 9:30 am *On My Own (EN) 9:30 am *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (EN) 1-4 pm by appt. *Tales for Two (EN) 1:30 pm Six Ways Retirees Ruin Their Finances (N) 7:30 pm *Speech & Language Development of 4-6 Year Olds (EN) 7:30 pm	12 AARP Tax-Aide Program (N) 9 am-1 pm *Fours and More (N) 9:30 am *Novel Ideas (N) 1 pm *Fours and More (EN) 1:30 pm *Story Parade (EN) 3:30 pm Pajama Storytime (N) 7 pm Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm *Fireside Friday: Northport Middle School Brass Ensemble (EN) 7:30 pm	13 Tickets sales begin at Northport Library for Book-A-Trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show on 3/11 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (EN) 9 am-1 pm *Saturday Storytime (EN) 9:30 am Poetry in the Cafe (N) 2 pm	14
15 Presidents' Day - Library Closed	16 Friends of the Library (N) 7:30 pm	17 *My First Storytime (N) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *On My Own (EN) 1:30 pm *Story Parade (N) 3:30 pm *Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm	18 Registration begins at Northport for Feathered Friends on 2/25 AARP Tax-Aide Program (EN) 9 am-1 pm *Cleckebird Hand Puppet (N) 7 pm NETWALK Basics (N) 7:30 pm	19 AARP Tax-Aide Program (N) 9 am-1 pm *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (N) 9:15 am-12:15 pm Friday Afternoon at the Movies: Spitfire Grill (N) 2 pm Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	20 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (EN) 9 am-1 pm Poetry Workshop (N) 2 pm	21
22 *55/Alive Mature Driver Program (N) 9:30 am *On My Own (N) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *Tales for Two (EN) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *Fours and More (N) 1:30 pm *Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm	23 *Tales for Two (N) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *Fours and More (EN) 9:30 am Oral History Project (N) 7:30 pm *Flight of the Stork: An Open Discussion on Making & Blending a Family (N) 7:30 pm	24 *My First Storytime (N) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *On My Own (EN) 1:30 pm *Story Parade (N) 3:30 pm *Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm	25 *Book-A-Trip to the New York Philharmonic departs 7:30 am AARP Tax-Aide Program (EN) 9 am-1 pm *On My Own (EN) 9:30 am & 10:30 am *Tales for Two (EN) 1:30 pm *Feathered Friends (N) 4 pm Library Board of Trustees Meeting (N) *Introduction to Needlepoint (EN) 7 pm	26 AARP Tax-Aide Program (N) 9 am-1 pm *Parent/Child Workshop (EN) 9:30 am *Fours and More (N) 9:30 am *Fours and More (EN) 1:30 pm *Story Parade (EN) 3:30 pm Knitters' Circle (EN) 7 pm *Fireside Friday: Poets Night & Open Reading (EN) 7:30 pm *Barefoot in the Park" (N) 8 pm	27 Preview of Used Items for Auction (N) 1-5 pm Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (EN) 9 am - 1 pm Poetry Workshop (N) 2 pm	28 Preview of Used Items for Auction (N) 1-5 pm

Auction of Used Items

The Library will hold an auction (by sealed bids) of selected furnishings and equipment remaining from the old Northport Library building. Individuals who purchase items through the auction are solely responsible for the removal of these items from library premises.

Item Preview

Northport Library Community Room

Saturday, February 27 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 28 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Monday, March 1 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

Item Pickup

Northport Library Community Room

Monday, March 1 6:00-9:00 p.m.

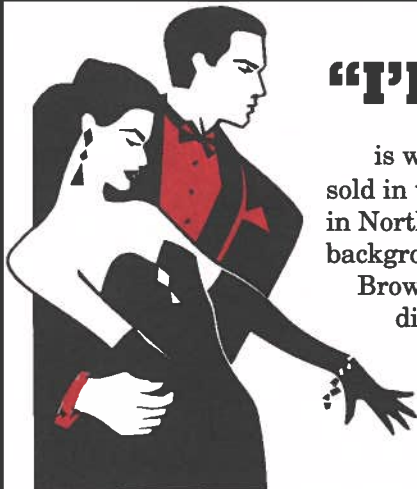
Tuesday, March 2 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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

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

Enrollment in our programs is limited, with preference given to district residents. Tickets limited to 2 per patron on the first day of registration.

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.



“I’ll Take Romance . . .”



is what many readers are saying today. Nearly 50% of paperbacks sold in the U.S. are romances. Romance readers are estimated at 45 million in North America and the readership is diverse: people of all ages and educational backgrounds find something to enjoy. Nora Roberts, Jude Deveraux, and Sandra Brown are just some of the superstars of romance and they write in many different styles — western, romantic suspense, and fantasy — to name a few. For your reading pleasure, our librarians have compiled a new booklist of Romance Fiction. Below is a sample of some of the titles you will find on it. Copies of the complete booklist are available at the Library beginning February 1.

by Jude Deveraux

An Angel for Emily
The Blessing
The Conquest
The Heiress
The Invitation
Just Curious
Legend
Mountain Laurel
Remembrance
Sweet Liar
The Temptress
Twin of Fire
Twin of Ice

by Sandra Brown

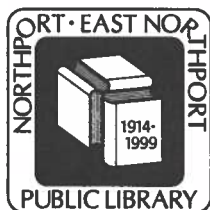
Adam’s Fall
Another Dawn
Best Kept Secrets
Breakfast in Bed
Breath of Scandal
Charade
Eloquent Silence
Exclusive
Fat Tuesday
French Silk
Heaven’s Price
Hidden Fires
Led Astray

Love’s Encore
Mirror Image
Prime Time
The Silken Web
Slow Heat in Heaven
Sunset Embrace
Tempest in Eden
Temptation’s Kiss
Tidings of Great Joy

by Nora Roberts

Born in Ice
Born in Shame
The Calhoun Women

Daring to Dream
Divine Evil
From the Heart
Genuine Lies
Hidden Riches
Holding the Dream
Homeport
Inner Harbor
Lilah and Suzanna
The MacGregor Brides
Montana Sky
Private Scandals
Public Secrets
The Reef



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9 to 5 Saturday
1 to 5 Sunday (mid Sept. thru mid June)

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