



THE LIBRARY

July 1998



*A Library
to Celebrate!*



*We will welcome you later this month to the
new Public Library at Northport.*

Opening date will be posted at the East Northport and Northport libraries and in local newspapers.

FIRESIDE FRIDAYS

Join us around the fireplace at the East Northport Library. Limited seating is available. Tickets for our fireside programs are available at the library beginning July 6.

JAMES YARSKY

Friday, July 10, 7:30 p.m.

Singer/songwriter James Yarsky has been proclaimed "brilliant" by both *Newsday* and *The Long Island Voice*. He has been nominated for four Long Island Music Awards including Artist of the Year and Album of the Year.

POETS NIGHT & OPEN READING

Friday, July 24, 7:30 p.m.

Award-winning poet Bill Fahey will be the featured reader at this month's program. If you would like to share your verse, please call the library to sign up for an open reading time.



DEFENSIVE DRIVING

(EN) Thursday, July 30 &

Thursday, August 6

7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: \$30

Applications for this six-hour course may be picked up at the East Northport Library beginning July 6.



HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION, COUNSELING & ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

(EN) Thursday, July 9, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

(EN) Friday, July 17, 9:15 a.m. -12:15 p.m.

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



SKIN CANCER: AN UNDECLARED EPIDEMIC

(EN) Thursday, July 9, 7:30 p.m.

Northport dermatologist Michael J. Gladstein, M.D. will discuss the risks of sun-related skin damage — from premature aging of the skin to skin cancers — and how to protect yourself and your family. He will also provide information on skin cancer detection and treatment. Dr. Gladstein is affiliated with NYU Medical Center in Manhattan where he is Associate Professor of Clinical Dermatology specializing in Radiation Therapy of skin cancers. All are welcome.

SENIOR PC 101

(EN) Tuesday, July 28, 7:30 p.m.

Computer consultant Ron Richards returns! Don't miss the reprise of his lively introduction to computers for seniors. In easy-to-understand terms, Mr. Richards will talk about Windows95, the keyboard, the mouse, "going online," and saving to disks. There will be a computer demonstration and time for your questions.



55/ALIVE MATURE DRIVER PROGRAM

(N) Monday, July 27, 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

(1/2 hour break)

AARP's Mature Driver Program is open to anyone 50 years of age or older. Registration for the Northport class will take place at the East Northport Library beginning Saturday, July 11. There is an \$8 fee, payable to AARP by check or money order only. To facilitate registration, please bring your library card.

Meadowcroft & Hampton's Decorator Showhouse

Wednesday, August 12, 1998

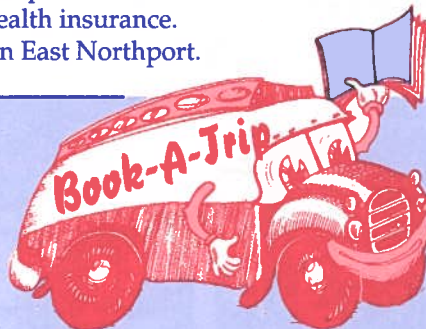
Departure: 9:00 a.m. from the Laurel Ave. School parking lot (across from Northport Library)

Return: 5:00 p.m.

Cost: \$58 per person (checks only; payable to Northport Public Library; non-refundable)

Itinerary: Morning tour of Meadowcroft, John Ellis Roosevelt's Gold Coast estate, followed by a full-course luncheon at Casa Basso, a three-star restaurant in West Hampton. Experience the ultimate in Hampton's living at the 1998 Decorator Showhouse, created by 25 renowned designers and landscape architects.

Register in person (limit 2 on first day of ticket sale) at the East Northport Library beginning July 18.



A Holiday Treat

Radio City Music Hall & Spirit of New York Cruise

Wednesday, December 2, 1998

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from the Laurel Ave. School parking lot (across from Northport Library)

Return: 8:30 p.m.

Cost: \$69 per person (checks only; payable to Northport Public Library; non-refundable)

Itinerary: Treat yourself or someone you love to a luncheon cruise aboard the *Spirit of New York*. Costumed waiters will entertain you as you enjoy the sights of New York harbor. Next, we're off to Radio City Music Hall for the annual Christmas Spectacular.

Register in person (limit 2 on first day of ticket sale) at the East Northport Library beginning July 25.



— For Young Adults —



Solve It At The Library

Join the fun... register for the YA Summer Reading Program. Pick up your packet of clues to the YA programs available for you at the library this summer. Begin reading, and you are on your way to earning an invitation to "WHODUNIT," the End of Summer Party. Register in the YA CORNER.

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

(EN) Tuesday, July 14, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

It's not a spelling bee! It's not a geography bee! It's Battle of the Books, and it's coming to the East Northport Public Library on July 1. Battle of the Books is a book-based quiz program, complete with teams and buzzers. Come to the first meeting and find out how you can be part of the team that will go to the finals! A perpetual trophy is up for grabs. You can help bring it home to your library. Call Mrs. Romer, YA Librarian, if you have any questions.



JOURNAL WRITING

(EN) Wednesdays, July 8 & 15, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Creative writing specialist Gail Rough Stratford will help you explore journal writing in this very personal workshop. You will create your special journal... just for you. Discover some exercises that will lead you to your creativity. Use your journal to go in any direction you want... it's yours! Share feelings, create artwork, write through problems. You can sign up for this exciting two-session program beginning July 6.



PERILS OF PACKING... FOR THE COLLEGE BOUND

You can be first in line for those extra-long sheets! The ultimate list of what to take to your dorm is available at the Reference Desk July 1. Pick up your copy of *Perils of Packing* to learn what goes and what stays. Rolls of quarters, paper clips, extension cords... and, of course, *Roger's Thesaurus* — it's all there in *Perils of Packing*, the list you need as you shuffle off to Buffalo, Boston or Binghamton.

OUTSTANDING BOOKS FOR THE COLLEGE BOUND

After you've finished *Perils of Packing* relax with *Outstanding Books for the College Bound*. This brochure, comprised of titles selected by a committee of the Young Adult Library Services Association of the American Library Association, can be used as a reading checklist before you begin your college courses. The list covers Fiction, Biography, Nonfiction, Theater, Fine Arts, and Poetry. You will find this "outstanding" list in the YA Corner.



Gallery:
Mixed Media by the Cardiff Studio Artists
Display Case:
Fine Scale Modeling by Bill Martin

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East Northport Floral Decorations:
Jeanne Daniele of the Larkfield Community Garden Club

Calendar of Events

July 1998

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>5 Library Closed</p>	<p>6 Registration begins for Young Adult Journal Writing on 7/8 & 7/15 (EN) Tickets available at EN for Fireside Friday programs on 7/10 & 7/24 Applications available at EN for Defensive Driving on 7/30 & 8/6 *Toddler Time (EN) 10 am *Bookworms (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>7 Registration begins for Parent & Child Book Discussion on 8/4 (EN) *Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am *Chefettes (EN) 2:30 pm *The Mysterious Magic of Reading (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>1 Registration begins for <i>Tiny Chiefs</i> on 7/8 (EN) Registration begins for YA Battle of the Books on 7/14 (EN) Free Blood Pressure Check (EN) 1-3 pm *Pajama Storytime (EN) 7:15 pm</p>	<p>2 Registration begins for Picture Book Art (EN)</p>	<p>3 Knitters' Circle (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>4 Library Closed</p>
<p>12 Library Closed</p>	<p>13 <i>Mystery Mobile Take-Home Craft</i> available (N & EN) *Toddler Time (EN) 10 am *Bookworms (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>14 *Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am Registration begins for <i>Threatened Species</i> on 7/21 (EN) (YA) Battle of the Books (EN) 6:30 pm</p>	<p>8 *Tiny Chiefs (EN) 2:30 pm *(YA) Journal Writing (EN) 6:30 pm *Pajama Storytime (EN) 7:15 pm Network Internet User Group (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>9 Registration begins for <i>Treasure Hunt</i> on 7/16 (EN) *Book-A-Trip to "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" departs 9:30 am *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (EN) 1-4 pm by appt. *Picture Book Art (EN) 6:30 pm Skin Cancer: An Undeclared Epidemic (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>10 Registration begins for <i>Reptiles</i> on 7/17 (EN) Knitters' Circle (EN) 7 pm *Fireside Friday: James Yarsky (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>11 Registration begins at EN for 55/ Alive Mature Driver Program on 7/27</p>
<p>19 Library Closed</p>	<p>20 *Toddler Time (EN) 10 am <i>Cow Harbor Paper Bag Puppet Take-Home Craft</i> available (N & EN) *Bookworms (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>21 *Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am *Threatened Species (EN) 7:15 pm Friends of the Library (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>15 Registration begins for <i>Seeing the Light</i> on 7/22 (EN) Registration begins for <i>Northport Toddler Time</i> (N) *(YA) Journal Writing (EN) 6:30 pm *Pajama Storytime (EN) 7:15 pm Network Basics (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>16 Registration begins for <i>Preschool Storytime</i> on 7/23 (N) Registration begins for <i>Pajama Storytime</i> on 7/23 (N) Library Board of Trustees Meeting (N) *Treasure Hunt (EN) 10 am *Picture Book Art (EN) 6:30 pm *55/ Alive Mature Driver Program (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>17 <i>Reptiles</i> (EN) 9:30 am (gr. 1-3); 11 am (gr. 4-6) *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (EN) 9:15 am - 12:15 pm by appt. Knitters' Circle (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>18 Ticket sales begin at EN for Book-A-Trip to Meadowcroft & Hampton's Decorator Showhouse on 8/12</p>
<p>26 Library Closed</p>	<p>27 Summer Butterfly Bookmark Take-Home Craft available (N & EN) Registration begins for <i>Butterflies & Moths</i> on 8/3 (N) *55/ Alive Mature Driver Program (N) 9 am *Toddler Time (EN) 10 am *Bookworms (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>28 *Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am Senior PC 101 (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>22 *Seeing the Light (EN) 10 am *Toddler Time (N) 10 am (YA) Battle of the Books (EN) 6:30 pm</p>	<p>23 *Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am *Picture Book Art (EN) 6:30 pm *55/ Alive Mature Driver Program (EN) 7 pm *Pajama Storytime (N) 7:15 pm</p>	<p>24 Registration begins for <i>Sounds Around</i> on 7/31 (N) Knitters' Circle (EN) 7 pm *Fireside Friday: Poets Night & Open Reading (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>25 Ticket sales begin at EN for Book-A-Trip to Radio City Music Hall & Spirit of New York Cruise on 12/2</p>
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Note: *Italic type* indicates Children's Programs.
N = Northport Library
EN = East Northport Library

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.

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

Coffeehouses

A Fine Literary Tradition

The literary traditions of coffeehouses date back to the seventeenth century when the ancestors of today's cafes, coffeehouses, and espresso bars were established in Oxford and London in the 1650's. Though coffee had been used as a beverage in the Ottoman Empire since the thirteenth century, it was not mentioned in European writings until 1582. It is believed that major shipments of coffee arrived in Europe via Venice in 1624, then London, Amsterdam, Marseilles, and Hamburg.

Coffee's popularity as a beverage grew with the advent of the coffeehouses of London which became centers of political, social, literary and eventually, business influence. (Lloyd's Coffee-House in London was the birthplace of the insurance firm Lloyd's of London.) In 1675, Charles II of England closed 3,000 coffeehouses as "seminaries of sedition" but rescinded his order within a few days because of the hue and cry that met his edict.

As coffee's popularity spread from one European city to another and eventually America, each developed coffeehouse customs that suited its culture. In all of Europe, however, the coffeehouse was the place to gather to read and discuss the latest news. For a coffeehouse, subscriptions to newspapers were obligatory and eventually magazines and reference books were offered to guests as well. In Vienna, evolution from coffeehouse newsheets of the seventeenth and eighteenth century to a reading cafe of the late nineteenth century culminated in Cafe Central, a kind of library with coffee service.

Sir Richard Steele in 1709 launched a paper, *The Tatler*, for coffeehouse patrons. He then collaborated with Joseph Addison to write *The Spectator*. Dryden, Dr. Johnson, Boswell, Pepys, Congreve, and Swift were all denizens of London's coffeehouses. In Paris, Rousseau, Hugo, and Voltaire could be found at the Cafe de la Regence. Diderot also worked there on his massive *Encyclopedie*.

In 1774 a "Committee of Correspondence," a group of New York City patriots, gathered in Merchant's Coffee House and

drafted a letter to a group of Boston's patriots proposing the union of American colonies.

In the mid 1800's, coffeehouses in England lost their influence in the social and business worlds as private clubs flourished. Throughout the rest of Europe, however, cafes and coffeehouses were still the meeting places for writers and artists: Thomas Mann, Bertolt Brecht, Pablo Picasso, Georges Braques, Erich Maria Remarque, Jean-Paul Sartre, and Ernest Hemingway to name a few.

The 1950's saw the revival of coffeehouses or cafes in this country. Once again they had a literary flavor as the "beat" poets read their works, listened to jazz, and discussed politics. The eighties saw the growth of espresso bars which again

provided a meeting space, a place to read or watch the world go by.

Today, ^{The}Library Cafe at the East Northport Library continues in the footsteps of coffeehouses of old — with a nineties touch. Flavored coffees and teas, cappuccino, and cold beverages are available as well as bagels, biscotti, and cookies. Like the meeting places of old, music and poetry are also on the menu twice a month at East Northport during the library's Fireside Fridays (see p 2). The new Library Cafe at Northport will also feature delicious fare and monthly entertainment.

The wonderful coffeehouse traditions of reading, writing, and enjoying the company of others continue at the Northport-East Northport Public Library!





The Literary Tradition Coupon

With this coupon enjoy 20% off your next purchase at ^{The}Library Cafe. Redeemable at either the East Northport or Northport Library.

Coupon must be redeemed by August 31, 1998.

Solve It At The Library!

Summer Reading Club 1998 Programs

Preschool Programs

Preschool Storytime

Children ages 3 1/2-5 enjoy simple stories, rhymes and songs.

East Northport:
Tuesdays, July 7, 14, 21 & 28 10:00-10:30 a.m.
Register at East Northport Library for any two beginning June 30.

Northport:

Thursdays, July 23, 30, August 6 & 13 10:00-10:30 a.m.
Register at Northport Library for any two beginning July 16.

Toddler Time

Children ages 1-3+ with an adult caregiver enjoy simple stories, rhymes and songs.

East Northport:
Mondays, July 6, 13, 20 & 27 10:00-10:30 a.m.
Register at East Northport Library for any two beginning June 29.

Northport:

Wednesdays, July 22, 29, Aug. 5 & 12 10:00-10:30 a.m.
Register at Northport Library for any two beginning July 15.

Kindergarten Kamp

Children entering Kindergarten in September will enjoy a fun hour reviewing colors, sizes, numbers and letters. Early childhood educator Linda Szeplin reinforces these concepts through activities, stories and songs.

East Northport:
Tuesdays, August 4, 11 & 18 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Register at East Northport Library beginning July 29.

Tiny Chefs

Preschool educator Linda Szeplin will teach children ages 3 1/2-5 how to make a summertime parfait treat.

East Northport:
Wednesday, July 8 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Register at East Northport Library beginning July 1.

Garden Crown

Preschool specialist Jeanne Hall will assist children ages 18-36 months with an adult caregiver as they create a lovely garden crown to wear home.

Northport: Thursday, August 20 9:30-10:15 a.m.
Register at Northport Library beginning August 13.

Picture Book Art

Children entering grades 1-4
East Northport:

Thursdays, July 9, 16, 23 & 30 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Art teacher Coreen Cellana will help children recreate the art of four picture book illustrators. This program is funded in part by a grant from the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation. Register at the East Northport Library beginning Thursday, July 2.

Pajama Storytime

Books, tales, rhymes and songs for children ages 3 and up with parents.

East Northport: Wednesdays, July 1, 8 & 15 7:15-7:45 p.m.
Register at East Northport Library beginning June 24.

Northport: Thursdays, July 23, 30 & August 6 7:15-7:45 p.m.
Register at Northport Library beginning July 16.

Series Programs

School Age Specials

Chefettes (grade 1-3)

Children will prepare a summertime fruit parfait treat.

East Northport: Tuesday, July 7 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Register at East Northport Library beginning June 30.

Reptiles

Meet some members of the reptile family and learn about them with a representative from the Sweet Briar Nature Center.

(grade 1-3)
East Northport: Friday, July 17 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Register at East Northport Library beginning July 10.

(grade 4-6)

East Northport: Friday, July 17 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
Register at East Northport Library beginning July 10.

Seeing the Light (grade 1-3)

Discover the properties of light, make rainbows and see in 3-D with an educator from the Brookhaven National Laboratory.

East Northport: Wednesday, July 22 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Register at East Northport Library beginning July 15.

Sounds Around (grade 1-3)

Discover how sound is made with an educator from the Brookhaven National Laboratory. You will produce sound and feel its effects at different pitches.

Northport: Friday, July 31 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Register at Northport Library beginning July 24.

The Mysterious Magic of Reading
Magician Terry Parrett will amaze you with his illusions. For families with children ages 4 to 10.

East Northport : Tuesday, July 7 7:00-7:45 p.m.
Tickets available now at the East Northport Library.

Threatened Species

Live animals, each with its own special story, will be brought to the library by the Sweet Briar Nature Center. For families with elementary school age children.

East Northport : Tuesday, July 21 7:15-8:15 p.m.
Register at East Northport Library beginning July 14.

The Great Circus Mystery

Families with children ages 3 to 9 will enjoy this puppet show featuring Doodles the Clown.

Northport: Wednesday, August 26 7:00 p.m.
Register at Northport Library beginning August 19.

Parent & Child

Book Discussion

Children entering grades 4 and 5 with a parent and a Children's Librarian share their thoughts and feelings about a pre-selected title. You will receive a copy of the book to keep, when you register.

Northport : Tuesday, August 4 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Register at Northport Library beginning July 7.

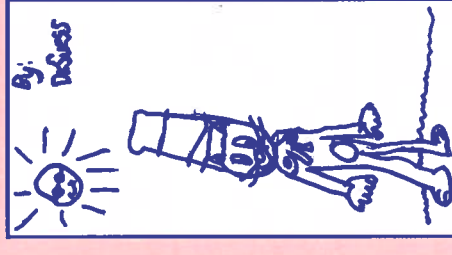
Take-Home Crafts

Four take-home crafts will be available for you this summer:

- Mystery Mobile**
Pick up during week of July 13.
- Cow Harbor Paper Bag Puppet**
Pick up during week of July 20.
- Summer Butterfly Bookmark**
Pick up during week of July 27.
- Sherlock Pull Toy**
Pick up during week of Aug. 3.

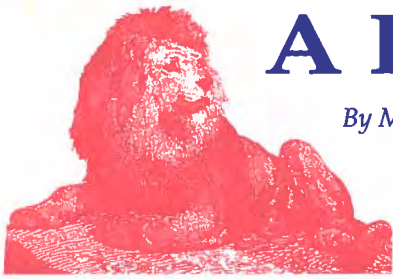
The Bookmark Spot

Stop by the library and pick up July's bookmark by Kelly Gresalfi. A special reading list, compiled by our children's librarians, is on the back.



By: DGWS
The Bookmark Spot
Kelly Gresalfi





A FEW LINES ABOUT LIONS

By Michael L. Glennon, Chairperson, Library Board of Trustees

Before we began to build our new libraries, I visited the New York Public Library on Fifth Avenue a number of times, not for specific ideas, but for inspiration — to be uplifted beyond the data, the budgets, the invoices, the investments — and to remain focused on the task of building for our community places which would not only serve our needs, but would please our senses. I knew little about architecture, little about library design and less about construction. We had experts in those areas anyway. What I did know was that my fellow trustees and I did not want us to compromise beauty for function in our new buildings. That great public library on Fifth Avenue was just the place for inspiration.

On my visits I always passed **Patience** and **Fortitude**, the two great, gray lions which guard the second flight of steps at the front entrance. Modeled by Edward Clark Potter and sculpted from Tennessee marble by the Picarrilli brothers for a total cost of \$13,000, they have been landmarks since their installation in 1911. These favorite beasts amuse us, in their giant wreaths at Christmas time and recently in their hard hats announcing the renovation of the central reading room. From the lions I learned some lessons about attention to detail in the service of beauty and function.

Even before one enters, the lions establish one of the many design motifs within the building. A careful observer will find lions' heads above doors, their faces in ceiling corners and even on doorknobs. Paws serve as feet for candelabra and faces appear on chandeliers and on the panels of stairway railings. This attention to detail was extended even to table lamps and wastebaskets. Nothing

was left to chance. Beauty was as important as function. The architects, the trustees and the founding librarian had determined that the public would be served, but in a public place that would please their senses, where they would be happy to be, in a public place that would be beautiful.

On a more modest scale and in a very different time and place, I believe we have produced two such public places in our new libraries, places which will not only serve us well, but which will please us for their beauty, and which will make us proud of what we have done together. I believe the lions would be happy in Northport, too.

My wife and I have two small replicas of **Patience** and **Fortitude** in our living room, bookends, gifts from friends of ours and fellow builders of our libraries. When I see them, strong and silent, guarding our books, they remind me of the qualities which carried our community to a successful completion of our libraries. Where would we be without the fortitude, the strength of mind of those who struggled to locate, design, and build these places, an effort first undertaken over a decade ago? How could we have succeeded unless that fortitude had been matched by the patience of a community, who, once it had made clear its needs, could wait and watch and trust its representatives to deliver? I suggest that such a coming together of the public will and the response of its representatives constitute a model of what a community can accomplish when a core of committed members have the fortitude and patience to work together.

I thank all my fellow trustees, past and present, the library leadership, and the library staff for their fortitude. I thank the community for its support, its trust, and its patience. We all hope that you, your children, and their children will enjoy our libraries for many years to come.



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