



# Annual Library Vote

**Tuesday, April 4, 2023**

**9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.**

## **Voting will be for two purposes:**

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## **Candidate for Trustee:**

**Michelle Glennon**

## **Who Can Vote—**Anyone who is

1. at least 18 years of age
2. a citizen of the United States
3. a resident of the Northport-East Northport School District #4 for at least 30 days
4. registered to vote

**Proposed Tax Rate Increase: 0.38%**

## **Where to Vote:**

If you live **north of 25A** vote at  
**Northport Public Library, 151 Laurel Avenue**

If you live **south of 25A** vote at  
**East Northport Public Library, 185 Larkfield Road**

*Library budget details were published in the March newsletter. Copies are available at the Library. Trustee candidate information is available at the Reference Desk. Budget details and candidate information are also available on the library's website at [www.nenpl.org](http://www.nenpl.org).*

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## **Important Voting Facts:**

### **Public Information Meeting—**

Tuesday, March 21, 7:30 p.m.  
Northport building

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If you have not voted within four years in a general, school, or library election, registration is required. You need to register prior to March 24 in person or by mail with the Suffolk County Board of Elections in Yaphank. Applications are available in both library buildings. Registration for library and school district elections only may be made in person on or before March 24 at the office of the School District Clerk, 158 Laurel Avenue, Northport, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. any day that school is in session.

**Absentee Ballot Applications are available in both library buildings.**

## Sustainable Future

*“Each one of us matters, has a role to play, and makes a difference. Each one of us must take responsibility for our own lives, and above all, show respect and love for living things around us, especially each other.” — Jane Goodall*

Libraries are part of a sustainable ecosystem that requires them to actively work to assist their communities. Libraries embrace respectful, collaborative partnerships and in doing so partner with others to maximize their impact and leverage economies of scale to benefit the public good. We recognize the link between a supportive community, public health, social well-being, and resilient organizations with shared common goals. We strive to create spaces for all people to meet, learn, exchange ideas, and become better informed.

The Northport-East Northport Public Library has joined the Sustainable Libraries Initiative (SLI), which provides libraries with a proven path forward to co-create libraries and communities that will thrive in the coming years. The Sustainable Library Certification Program and the SLI community focuses strategies for the library, and ultimately the community, to become more environmentally sound and socially equitable while maintaining economic feasibility. We are creating an organizational culture that asks the right questions about operational and outreach decisions to encourage new ways of thinking and collaborating.

Public libraries have always been a model of sustainability. Borrowing library books and using the many and varied other types of resources we provide our patrons is an example of our resolve to continue to be environmentally friendly. Our efforts have expanded exponentially over the last few years as the library has increased access to digital resources, developed new programs, and partnered with other libraries and organizations to add more programs and to reach a broader base of patrons. In the buildings, we have invested in LED lighting, installed more efficient heating/cooling systems, improved insulation, installed reflective roofing materials and solar panels as part of our mission to reduce greenhouse gases, energy intake, and waste output. Our goal is to be a role model for the community by providing sustainable, accessible library collections and services that are welcoming to everyone.

### **Library Board of Trustees**

Carolyn McQuade, Chairperson

Margaret Hartough

Georganne White

Jacqueline Elsas

Michelle Glennon



## Library Activities 2021/2022\*

23,413 residents in the community have library cards

193,576 visits were made to the Library

4,171 visits were made to the Library Courtyard

The Library has  
**91,843** books for adults  
**80,687** books for children  
**61,826** DVDs, compact discs, audiobooks, video games, and Playaways

Our programs entertained, educated, and enriched

**7,133** adults  
**2,111** teens  
**12,460** children

**83,422** reference questions were answered  
**41,410** asked by adults  
**5,866** asked by teens  
**36,146** asked by children

**312,921** items were checked out

**51,892** items were interlibrary loaned

**108,641** items were downloaded

**77,464** patrons used the library's Internet access

**7,984** patrons used the library's computer software

**18,972** items were purchased from the Library Café

**627,888** visits were made to the library website and social media

\*Statistical report June 2022

## Proposed Library Operating Budget 2023/2024

	APPROVED BUDGET <u>2022/2023</u>	PROPOSED BUDGET <u>2023/2024</u>
<b>LIBRARY MATERIALS &amp; PROGRAMS</b>		
Books, Periodicals & Electronic Resources	506,600	557,700
DVDs, CDs, Audiobooks	128,600	148,200
Adult, Young Adult & Children's Programming	135,400	142,500
<b>LIBRARY OPERATIONS</b>		
Computer Hardware & Software	98,500	117,500
Online Public Access Catalog & Circulation Control	50,300	52,900
Telecommunications	59,900	60,600
Equipment	77,900	140,300
Office & Library Supplies	49,800	57,000
Café Supplies, NYS Sales Tax	39,200	34,700
Printing & Postage	74,800	77,700
Professional Development & Training	35,700	35,800
Accounting & Legal Fees	93,500	107,300
SCLS Plan of Service Participation	77,000	78,500
<b>LIBRARY BUILDINGS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>		
Fuels & Utilities	109,900	128,700
Facilities Repairs & Improvements	57,900	51,300
Maintenance Supplies	22,900	28,000
Building & Equipment Service Contracts	264,900	268,100
Insurance	145,900	123,600
<b>EMPLOYEE SALARIES</b>		
Sunday & Holiday	181,100	172,300
Professional	3,019,900	3,002,100
Clerical/Technical, Café & Library Pages	1,871,200	1,767,100
Custodial & Security	512,600	521,600
<b>MANDATED &amp; EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</b>		
Social Security	421,300	412,700
Retirement, Deferred Compensation	756,100	703,000
Health Insurance, Disability & Group Life	1,237,400	1,300,400
<b>CAPITAL &amp; TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENTS</b>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>275,000</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>10,278,300</b>	<b>10,364,600</b>
<b>ANTICIPATED REVENUE</b>		
Fines, Fees, Gifts & Donations	12,400	12,200
Interest, Library System Grant	40,300	73,500
Café	20,500	34,700
Unrestricted Fund Appropriation	0	0
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>73,200</b>	<b>120,400</b>
<b>TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION</b>	<b>10,205,100</b>	<b>10,244,200*</b>

\*This amount is less than the property tax levy limit set by New York State for the Library.