On The Road To Building A Great Library, You Need The Right Tools.

At the Northport-East Northport Public Library, we construct collections of every kind. And we continue to develop sophisticated systems to make selection easier. Like Innopac, our forthcoming online public access catalog (OPAC) which we will feature in our next newsletter. Innopac will help you find materials in our collection and identify what is available in other libraries in Suffolk County. In February an Innopac workstation will be available in both library buildings.

But tools aren’t all we offer. We have professional expertise as well. In fact, all of our librarians have Masters degrees in Library Science. Whether you are searching for a favorite author’s newest bestseller, the catalogue raisonné of a recent art exhibit, a “how-to” video on furniture refinishing, or the music from your favorite opera, the Northport-East Northport Public Library is building its collection with you in mind.

We look forward to offering you expanded and more accessible collections when we complete construction on our new library buildings. 1997 promises to be an exciting year for Northport-East Northport Library patrons.
— For Adults —

A Special Family Trip
(as we go to press, some tickets may still be available)

A Christmas Carol

ADMIT ONE

at the Paramount Theater
Friday, January 3
7:30 p.m.
special discount price:
$45.00 per person
(includes bus transportation)

Treat yourself and your entire family to this special holiday gift. The magical story of Ebenezer Scrooge is brought to life by the composer of "Beauty and the Beast" and "Aladdin."

NOVEL IDEAS
(N) Friday, January 10, 1:00 p.m.
(N) Monday, January 13, 7:00 p.m.
This month we'll discuss The Giant's House by Elizabeth McCracken. To join this group call Dodie Gillman at 261-6930.

BOOK & SANDWICH (W)RAP
(N) Thursday, January 2, 1:00 p.m.
(N) Tuesday, January 7, 7:00 p.m.
This month's short stories are from Rosanne Cash's Bodies of Water. We'll discuss "Bodies of Water," "A Week at the Gore," and "Acting School." Call Michelle Epstein at 261-6930.

CD-ROM ARRIVES AT PC STATION
All aboard... adults and young adults... for cooking, gardening, home improvement, art, literature, consumer information, and cinemania. Just the ticket for a cold winter's day or eve, the new CD-ROM multimedia software comes alive with sound, music, and video. Check out the sights and sounds by stopping at Reference to sign up and select a software title to use in the library. (Please bring your library card.) From The Perfect Resume to The Student Writing Center; Mayo Clinic Family Health to Perennials from Gazebo Gardens, you are destined to discover new ways to look, listen, and learn at PC Station.

FOR THE COLLEGE BOUND
A reminder that January is Financial Aid Assistance Month. Stop at the Career Center to pick up the forms you need for the 1997-98 school year. Also, be sure to "check out" books regarding all types of financial aid—from scholarships to work-study programs.

HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION, COUNSELING & ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
For Seniors Only
(N) Thursday, January 9, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
(N) Fridays, January 10 & 24, 9:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Call 261-6930 to make an appointment in Northport.

— For Young Adults —

WEB-WISE YA's
Now you too can logon to the Internet with your own NETWALK account... with your parent's permission. From e-mail to the Worldwide Web, NETWALK, Northport-East Northport Threshold to World and Local Knowledge, provides you with text-based Internet access to all public resources worldwide. With NETWALK you will have two ways to access the Internet: from home, using your computer with a modem and communications software, or at the Northport Public Library at the Internet station. At your library, access is free. From home, it is the cost of a phone call to Bellport, to the Suffolk Cooperative Library System, our system administrator.

Stop by the reference desk at the Northport building or the East Northport temporary site and ask for the NETWALK application brochure. Anyone under 18 years of age must have signed parental permission. Your parent or guardian must come in to request and sign, in person, the Internet Agreement available at the reference desk. NETWALK... check it out!

YA WEBSITE OF THE MONTH
Logon to http://www.ipl.org.teen/ and you can surf the Internet Public Library Teen Division for all kinds of information and links for teens.

Each month, we'll be bringing you a new website of interest to young adults.

YA BOOK REVIEWERS
Friday, January 10, 4:00-5:00 p.m.
We're looking forward to a New Year of book talkin'! Join us for soda, cookies, and a good time.
"Such is a winter eve. Now for a merry fire, some old poet’s pages.. ." and perhaps time spent on the World Wide Web planning for warmer weather. Let our Internet webography take you for a spin.

The Virtual Garden (http://pathfinder.com/vg) has a shed full of tools to click on including sources for seed catalogs, a bulletin board, projects to plan, and a library to search. You can also try GardenNet at http://trine.com/GardenNet

When you’re snowed in and snug in your old house, you can pave the way for new walks and driveways or learn how to plug those drafty cracks in the plaster at

This Old House at http://pathfinder.com/@@8pdg6gQA9Radxfym/TOH/
or try Hometime at http://www.hometime.com/

Planning a trip in the dead of winter can lighten dark nights. Check out

Fodor’s online travel service at http://www.fodors.com/

They will put together a list of their favorite hotels and restaurants at the location you’ve chosen or you can design your own itinerary. Another travel possibility is the Lonely Planet at http://www.lonelyplanet.com

Stockpiling soup recipes and other stirring thoughts can boil over as you plan future feasts. Try http://www.epicurious.com and your dishes will go to pot in style.

And if the snow and sleet are that bad, you can just settle into a comfortable chair and wine at

The web is bursting with possibilities. Enjoy these sites and we’ll continue to keep you enlightened, entertained, and web wise.

Library patrons with NETWALK accounts may use SuffolkNet at the Northport library to access the Internet. Internet accounts are available free to holders of valid Northport-East Northport library cards.

### Northport-East Northport Public Library Calendar of Events January 1997

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<td>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.</td>
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**Registration**

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

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Exhibits

- Northport Case — Display by the Friends of the Library
- East Northport Floral Decorations — Margaret D’Ambrosio of the Larkfield Community Garden Club

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Log On at the Library — NETWALK@suffolk.lib.ny.us

Come to the library and apply for your free NETWALK Internet account. The next meeting of the NETWALK Internet User Group is Wednesday, January 8, at 7:30 p.m. at the Northport Library.
Thanks for your suggestion, Mrs. Daidone. Other library patrons have also told us that they’d like to share book reviews with each other. So, beginning this month, we’ll be asking for your brief book reviews and we will select some for publication in future issues of the newsletter.

On the reverse of this flap you will find a book review form that you can use to tell us about a special book that you’ve recently read. Completed forms can be mailed to the library or dropped in the Book Remarks boxes at the circulation desks in both library buildings. Extra forms are available at the reference desks.
For Children —

Thank You!
Our sincere thanks to those parents who participated this fall in the library’s Children’s Services Focus Group study. Your ideas and suggestions will help us plan for the future as we look forward to the new East Northport Library and the renovated and expanded Northport Library.

Ongoing registration, which began December 14, is now taking place for the winter sessions of TALES FOR TWO (ages 2½-3 years), ON MY OWN (3 year olds), and FOR FOURS (ages 4-Pre-K). Our 1996-97 Preschoolers’ Door to Learning program schedule is available in both buildings.

PreSchoolers’ Door to Learning

CONSTRUCTION...Underway!
While we all follow the progress of our library building projects over the next months, here are some books and videos that will delight our youngest construction fans.

J624 Builders by Irene M. Franck
Fra Explore the historical role of the occupations involved with building; including architects, contractors, masons, and plumbers.

J624.1 Building by Andrew Haslam
Has Build a dam, an igloo, or a suspension bridge while learning about structural engineering.

J624.1 Earthmovers by R.J. Stephen
Ste Full-color photographs and brief text describe the characteristics and functions of construction vehicles used for excavation.

VHS Heavy Equipment Operator: Cranes! Dump Trucks! Dirt Movers!
J624 From moving mountains of earth to lifting tons of steel, this video brings the viewer into the action of a construction site.

J690 How a House is Built by Gail Gibbons
Gib This brightly illustrated picture book describes how the surveyors, heavy machine operators, carpenters, and other workers build a house.

VHS I Dig Dirt
J624 Kids help construction workers run their equipment in this lively video.

J720 The Random House Book of How Things Were Built by David J. Brown
Bro Explore the history and development of building, from an ancient hut to today’s towering skyscrapers.

J624.1 Spiderwebs to Sky-Scraper by David Darling
Dar Hands-on experiments demonstrate structures such as arches, domes, and trusses.
Dear Friends,

After years of preparation, anticipation, and expectation, 1997 will be the year of realization of our building program. Our shared vision for the library’s future in the Northport-East Northport community will be achieved as our new buildings are completed.

Shortly, you won’t need us to tell you that work on the renovation and expansion of the Northport Library building has begun; when you visit the library you’ll hear the sounds of progress underway. My staff and I will remain dedicated to providing the professional library services that you have come to expect and depend on throughout the duration of this project. A high priority will be placed on keeping you informed, so we will be posting a CONSTRUCTION FORECAST bulletin each week. The bulletin will tell you what’s going on that week and make you aware of any construction activities. Look for the CONSTRUCTION FORECAST at the circulation desks in both library buildings.

Our first CONSTRUCTION FORECAST is to notify you that, beginning this month, library sponsored programs and community group meetings that would normally be held in the Northport Library’s Community Room will be either detoured to another area of the library, if possible, or suspended until renovations are completed. With fewer programs to feature in our newsletter, we will have an unusual and exciting opportunity to highlight special services and collections.

The course of events in the coming months will impact on us all. Your patience and understanding are appreciated. If at any time you have questions or concerns you wish to discuss, please feel free to contact me or Assistant Director Eileen Minogue. Our door is always open to you.

All of us at the Northport-East Northport Public Library wish you a happy, healthy 1997 with many opportunities to visit your new libraries!

Yours very truly,
Stephanie Heineman
Library Director

__ ACCESS TO YESTERDAY • HELP FOR TODAY • A PLAN FOR TOMORROW __

THE LIBRARY IS A GOOD PLACE TO START.

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Temporary Site: 86 Larkfield Road
East Northport, N.Y. 11731
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Preserve a forest...
borrow from your library.

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