Summer Reading Club

CAUTION: READERS AT WORK
For Adults —

BOOK & SANDWICH (W)RAP
(N) Tuesday, June 3, 7:00 p.m.
(N) Thursday, June 5, 1:00 p.m.
This month’s short stories are from Collected Stories of Wallace Stegner. We’ll discuss “The Women on the Wall,” “The Sweetness of Twisted Apples,” and “Goin’ to Town.” Call Michelle Epstein at 261-6930.

55/ALIVE MATURE DRIVER PROGRAM
Tuesday, July 1 & 8
9:30 am - 1:30 pm
Our next session of AARP’s two-part course will be held at Northport Village Hall (224 Main Street). The course is open to anyone 50 years of age or older. Register beginning June 14 at the Northport Library. There is an $8 fee, payable to AARP by check or money order only. To facilitate registration, please bring your library card. Please bring a pen with black/dark blue ink and your driver’s license to class.

HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION, COUNSELING & ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
For Seniors Only
(N) Fridays, June 6 & 20, 9:15 a.m. -12:15 p.m.
(N) Thursday, June 12, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Do you, or does someone you love, need help through the health insurance maze? Each month, Stu Goldblatt, Tom Henry, and Carolyn Streitwieser serve our patrons as HIICAP-trained counselors, answering questions about Medicare, HMOs, and supplementary health insurance. Call 261-6930 to make an appointment in Northport.

BOOK-A-TRIP
The Barnes Foundation, Merion, PA
Friday, July 25, 1997
Departure: 8:00 a.m. from the Middleville School Parking Lot.
Return: 8:00 p.m.
Cost: $54.00 per person (checks only; payable to Northport Public Library; non-refundable)
Itinerary: Join us for a visit to the Gallery and Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation, home to one of the finest collections of modern and post-impressionist paintings in the world. Luncheon at the elegant Alder Bistro.
Register in person (limit 2 on first day of ticket sale) at the Northport Library beginning June 7.

HOME IMPROVEMENT HELP ON CD-ROM
Nail down some valuable tips and information on the CD-ROM computer located at PC Station. Our CD-ROM collection is “under construction” and currently consists of over 25 popular titles.
Here are two CD-ROM resources to help you plan your construction projects from start to finish!
Home Improvement 1-2-3 Thinking about renovating your home? The information on this CD-ROM is just what you need for more than 250 do-it-yourself household projects, from weatherproofing, electrical wiring and plumbing, to finer redecorating tasks. Video clips, animation and plenty of diagrams are designed to help you complete your do-it-yourself home improvements.
Better Homes and Gardens: Planning Your Home Planning a new home can be an overwhelming endeavor. This CD-ROM is a useful resource, providing a comprehensive range of information about your project’s design. There are 561 house plans in several styles and sizes. You can even view floor plans and house exteriors in 3D and then use the computer-aided design option to personally customize the plans by adding furniture and landscaping.

For Young Adults —

YA PAPERBACK SUMMER
Mystery, sports, sci fi, romance . . . all part of the YA SUMMER READING CLUB. Look for bins filled with paperbacks in the YA Corner, where you’ll also find plenty of puzzles, batches of bookmarks, and more . . . and, the ever-popular weekly drawing for a free paperback.
• Does your heart race as you turn the last page to find out “whodunit?” Find a clue at the library!
• Tired of sitting on the sidelines? Check out some terrific sports books that will put you into the action!
• Are you into sci fi and extraterrestrials? Trek on over to the library!
• Love to read love stories? The library has romances from yesterday and today, guaranteed to sweep you off your feet!
Spend a YA PAPERBACK SUMMER at your library beginning Tuesday, June 17!

CONTEST ALERT!
The contest to name the YA KIDS (above) is being extended! Pick up an entry blank at the YA Corner when you sign up for PAPERBACK SUMMER.
The joy of sharing books is one of the best "birth" day gifts we can ever give our children. Experts agree that one of the most important things parents can do is to begin reading to children at a very young age.

Read Every Day. Read Everywhere. Babies can begin to read the pages of a cloth or cardboard book while sitting in the warm comfort of your lap. Reading helps babies lengthen their attention span, improve their social skills, and develop language skills.

Toddlers enjoy "reading" the pictures as well as hearing the story read to them. Preschoolers have favorite books and they never tire of hearing these favorites over and over again. A toddler's interest in words — both spoken and written — is intense. By the time children are in school, they are reading everywhere. Cereal boxes, newspaper headlines, magazine covers all challenge our children to read.

Share the Joy of Reading.
Set an example for your child. When children see you read, and when they see you enjoy reading books to them, they begin to understand that reading is valuable and interesting. Share something interesting or funny that you have read. Have books available in your home.

Note: Italic type indicates Children's Programs. 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.
Join Our
CONSTRUCTION TEAM

and build some fun into your summer!

Here’s the plan . . .

Architects (That’s you PARENTS!)

An early introduction to books and involvement in reading programs does make a difference in a child’s life. Summer reading clubs are not only fun, they are essential. Recent research indicates that elementary-aged children can lose as much as four months progress in reading skills during summer vacations if they don’t read regularly. A reading program based on a fun theme is a great way to encourage and support your children’s reading interests and curiosity so reading remains an enjoyable challenge. VISIT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OFTEN. Help your child discover the adventure and fun of choosing books from the library’s collections. Be sure that each child has his/her own library card. At the Northport-East Northport Public Library, children are eligible for library cards from the day they are born . . . they are born readers!
Project Managers
(Your LIBRARIANS)

Children's and Young Adult Librarians have constructed a unique program that incorporates the library's building construction — CAUTION: READERS AT WORK. Young adults will enjoy a YA PAPERBACK SUMMER.

Construction Crew
(Your Productive KIDS)

Any child can join the reading clubs. Children as young as two years old have participated. Books are read to preschoolers in the Building Readers Club by parents, grandparents, siblings, and babysitters. Children in grades K-3, Kids Under Construction Club, are encouraged to read on their own. Older children, in grades 4 and up, are part of the Kids Under Contract Club.

Young adults who participate in the YA PAPERBACK SUMMER reading club have an added benefit. They will become familiar with the friendly staff and resources available to them throughout the library — and this will be helpful in September when homework assignments are underway.

The Blueprint

An unlimited opportunity to explore, learn, create, investigate, socialize, and read is found in the library. Each child who enrolls in this summer's reading club in the Children's Room will receive a CAUTION: READERS AT WORK kit which will contain a reading chart and time card along with some fun surprises. Children will keep track of the amount of time they read and will report in to the Project Managers (library staff) periodically to have their time cards punched and to receive a prize. Our children's librarians will be on hand everyday to help children discover new books and expand their reading horizons. For details on the YA PAPERBACK SUMMER reading club see page 2.

Through the Roof!

A record number of youngsters participated in last year's summer reading program. This year, the footings are in place. The construction team — you, your kids, the library — is ready. Build some fun into your summer — Read!
CAUTION: READERS AT WORK
Summer Reading Club 1997
June 23 - August 9, 1997

Mondays-Fridays
June 23 - August 8  9 am - 8 pm

Saturdays
June 28 - August 9  10 am - 4 pm

Our 1997 Summer Reading Club “Caution: Readers at Work” begins Monday, June 23rd and has a newly constructed format. Visit either Northport or East Northport with your library card and pick up your reading club kit. Hardworking readers will earn incentives and prizes. Also, be sure to get your bimonthly Readers’ Construction Forecast to keep informed of summer activities.

This little piggy went to the library . . .
and here’s what he found

Here’s a list of suggested books to get your summer off to a fun start. More bibliographies for each age group will be available beginning June 23.

Books for Preschoolers

JP/Arn  Arnosky, Jim. Rabbits & Raindrops
JP/Hub  Hubbard, Patricia. My Crayons Talk
J591/Jen  Jenkins, Steve. Biggest, Strongest, Fastest
JP/New  Newcome, Zita. Toddlerobics
JP/Sto  Stoeke, Janet Morgan. Minerva Louise at School
JP/Wel  Wells, Rosemary. Bunny Cakes

Books for Middle Readers

J/Geo  George, Jean Craighead. There’s an Owl in the Shower
J/Mos  Moss, Marissa. Amelia Writes Again
JB  Brewster, Hugh. Anastasia’s Album
Nikoleavna
J599  Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw. Why Mammals Have Fur
Pat
J/Val  Valgardson, W.D. Winter Rescue
J398.2/Yol  Yolen, Jane. A Sip of Aesop

BOOKWORMS:
A YOUNG BOOK REVIEWERS’ GROUP
Thursday, July 10, 17, 24, 31, 7:00 p.m.
Attention incoming 5th & 6th graders! Join the Children’s Librarians for our summer book reviewers’ group. We will talk about the books that you’ve read and your reactions to them. New books will be displayed at each meeting. A newsletter with your own reviews will be published. Refreshments will be served. Registration begins Monday, June 30 at both library buildings.

Books for Early Readers

JE/Bya  Byars, Betsy. My Brother Ant
JP/Con  Conrad, Pam. The Rooster’s Gift
JP/Gib  Gibbons, Faye. Mountain Wedding
JP/Ler  Lerner, Harriet. What’s So Terrible About Swallowing an Apple Seed?
J630.973 Pet  Peterson, Chris. Harvest Year
JP/Roo  Root, Phyllis. Mrs. Potter’s Pig

Books for Older Readers

J/Dor  Dorris, Michael. Sees Behind Trees
JB  Fleischman, Sid. The Abracadabra Kid: A Writer’s Life
J920 Lei  Leiner, Katherine. First Children: Growing Up in the White House
J/Pat  Paterson, Katherine. Jip: His Story
J/Spinelli  Spinelli, Jerry. Crash
J/Whi  White, Ruth. Belle Prater’s Boy
Two years young and growing rapidly, the Friends of the Library group is looking forward to broadening its good works when the new East Northport Library opens and the Northport Library expansion and renovation is completed. Friends have actively supported the library’s annual budget votes. They continue to participate in community events including the East Northport Street Festival, Cow Harbor Day, and the Northport Earth Day celebration. Friends fundraising activities have included the sale of the “limited edition” literary bear mugs and the design and sale of new Friends of the Library canvas bags. Fundraising efforts and membership support made it possible for the Friends to sponsor a local author visit and a gardening lecture last autumn. The Friends group has also hosted refreshments at some of the library’s musical programs last year and will continue when library programs resume. A special project taken on by the Friends is the framing and display of a cross-stitch replica of the old East Northport Library done by the children of the community 25 years ago. The cross-stitch piece was unearthed last summer when the East Northport Library packed up for its move to temporary quarters.

The foundation is set for the Friends of the Library to expand and meet the challenges of the 21st century. Now is a great time for you to join and become a part of the activity planning for 1997/1998! Pick up a membership form at either library building.