The Children's Services Department

is proud to present

Rosemary Wells

who will dedicate the
Rosemary Wells Collection, established
in memory of
children's librarian
Jacqueline Herchenroder,
at the new
East Northport Library on

Wednesday, November 19, 7:00 p.m.

Tickets are available in the Children's Services Department beginning Nov. 3.
For more details about the Rosemary Wells Collection see inside.
Big Ideas for Families
with Patricia Shih

Sunday, November 16
2:00 p.m.

Award-winning singer and songwriter Patricia Shih will delight listeners of all ages with her high-energy show that celebrates the family and the community. Patricia Shih's concerts are truly heart and mind openers. Each of her original songs carries meaningful lyrics, memorable melodies, and an uplifting spirit to her audiences, who become totally involved as she touches their hearts, minds, and funny-bones.

Ms. Shih, whose unique musical style has been dubbed “folk fusion,” has appeared in concert with such luminaries as Pete Seeger, Bonnie Raitt, Richie Havens, and Peter Yarrow. She has recorded three albums, the most recent of which, “Making Fun!” was awarded the 1997 Parents Choice Approval Award.

Pick up your free tickets at the East Northport Library beginning Nov. 8.

This concert is made possible in part with public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts. In Suffolk County the Decentralization Program is administered by the Huntington Arts Council, Inc.

— For Adults —

55/ALIVE MATURE DRIVER PROGRAM
Tuesdays, November 11 & 18, 9:30 a.m - 1:30 p.m.
Tuesdays, December 2 & 9, 9:30 a.m - 1:30 p.m.
Wednesdays, December 3 & 10, 6:00-10:00 p.m.

AARP's two-part course is open to anyone 50 years of age or older. Registration for the three courses listed above will take place at the East Northport Library on Monday, November 3. 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
Thursday, November 13, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Fridays, November 7 & 14, 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.

Defensive Driving Course
Thursday, November 6 & 13
7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: $30
Applications for this six-hour course may be picked up at the East Northport Library beginning Nov. 1.

BOOK-A-TRIP

to

“West Side Story”
at the Westchester Broadway Theater
Thursday, January 29, 1998

Departure: 9:00 a.m. from the Laurel Ave. School parking lot (across from Northport Library)
Return: 7:00 p.m.
Cost: $58.00 per person (checks only; payable to Northport Public Library; non-refundable)
Itinerary: The Westchester Broadway Theater presents Leonard Bernstein's unforgettable musical. Luncheon will be served at the theater before the show.

Register in person (limit 2 on first day of ticket sale) at the East Northport Library beginning Nov. 8.

NOVEL IDEAS
Friday, November 21, 1:00 p.m.
Monday, November 24, 7:00 p.m.

Our discussion this month will focus on A Fine Balance by Rohinton Mistry. To join this group call our discussion leader, Librarian Dodie Gillman, at 261-2313.

BOOK & SANDWICH (W)RAP
Tuesday, November 4, 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 6, 1:00 p.m.

This month's short stories are from Normal by Lucia Nevai. We'll discuss “Normal,” “Thanksgiving with Dorrie & Heck,” and “Silent Retreat.” To join us, call our discussion leader, Librarian Michelle Epstein, at 261-2313.
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED TO ONE OF OUR PROS

The Suffolk County Library Association's Garrett Farr Memorial Scholarship has been awarded to Computer Services Department Library Assistant Angela Richards. The award recognizes her academic achievement in a graduate library school program, as well as her enthusiastic commitment to the library profession. Mrs. Richards has been a member of the Northport-East Northport Library staff for five years. She holds a Doctorate in Education and, prior to a career change, taught computer technology at a local elementary school. The scholarship will be applied toward the completion of her Masters Degree in Library and Information Science from Queens College.

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.
THE ROSEMARY WELLS COLLECTION

Established in Memory of Children’s Librarian Jacqueline Herchenroder

A permanent collection of the works of author and illustrator Rosemary Wells will be dedicated by Rosemary Wells at the new East Northport Library on Wednesday, November 19. Ms. Wells will speak at the dedication and will donate to the Children’s Room an autographed print from her book Max’s Dragon Shirt.

The selection of this special collection followed many months of research and consideration about how to best memorialize Jacqueline Herchenroder, a talented and much-loved children’s librarian who passed away in 1996. Rosemary Wells was a favorite author of Mrs. Herchenroder. When her family asked that donations be made to the library to establish a memorial to Jackie it seemed fitting to create a collection which would also have special meaning to the children who so fondly remember her. The children’s librarians who organized the collection are particularly delighted that Rosemary Wells has accepted their invitation to be a part of this very meaningful event.

The Northport-East Northport Public Library is proud to present the Rosemary Wells Collection to the community. It is a fitting tribute to a wonderful children’s librarian and to a talented children’s author and illustrator.
About Rosemary Wells

Rosemary Wells is a versatile and popular writer and illustrator who creatively blends realism and humor in her works. Perhaps best known for her picture books about Max and Ruby, she attributes many of their adventures to her own two children, Victoria and Beezoo.

"These simple incidents from childhood are universal," she writes. "The dynamics between older and younger siblings are also common to all families."

Ms. Wells' board books for young children premiered in 1979 with Max's First Word. The author explains that she wrote these books for very young children in part because at the time there were no funny books for the very young. Still in print, her board books continue to delight both toddlers and their parents.

Rosemary Wells has illustrated works written by Rudyard Kipling, Marjorie Sharmat, Robert William Service, and Eric Knight. Most recently, she has collaborated with Iona Opie to produce the My Very First Mother Goose picture book and board books. In the coming year we may look forward to her illustrated edition of Hitty, Her First Hundred Years.

In an article written for Publishers Weekly, Rosemary Wells writes "I am firmly convinced that the story comes first. The child may be charmed, intrigued or been inspired by good illustration, but it is the sound of the words and the story that first hold the child's attention."

Though best known for her picture books, Wells' novels for young adults, The Fog Comes on Little Pig Feet, None of the Above, Leave Well Enough Alone, The Man in the Woods, and Through the Hidden Door, have also won critical acclaim.
Attention Parents!

HOW TO CHOOSE A NURSERY SCHOOL
Monday, November 24
7:00 p.m.
"How do I decide which school is best for my child?"
Parent educator Leah Dombroff will give you guidelines for answering this important question. All are welcome.

NEIGHBORHOOD NURSERY SCHOOL NIGHT
Thursday, December 4, 7:00 p.m.
Representatives from area nursery schools join us to discuss their schools' philosophy, goals, and objectives. After brief presentations by each school, you will have time to speak with the individual school representatives. Refreshments will be served.

Children's Book Week November 16-22
Take part in the celebration as libraries, schools, bookstores, and homes around the country join the Children’s Book Council to observe the 78th annual National Children's Book Week. This year's theme is "Any Time is Book Time."

THE MAGIC OF ORIGAMI WITH RACHEL KATZ
Friday, November 28, 10:00 a.m.
Grades K-3
Children will see an origami demonstration, hear stories illustrated with origami, and learn to fold their own origami creations. Please register beginning Nov. 14.

A Special Treat for the Holidays from The Friends of the Library
To a small child, words are magical, and the most magical of all are the beloved, venerable words of Mother Goose. This month Candlewick Press is releasing four new board books based on the award-winning My Very First Mother Goose, edited by Iona Opie and illustrated by Rosemary Wells. Each board book contains eight favorite rhymes with irresistible illustrations. As a special holiday treat for the community, the Friends of the Library will be selling these wonderful new board books on November 19 from 8:00-9:00 p.m., following the Dedication of the Rosemary Wells Collection. A selection of other titles by Rosemary Wells will also be available. Come meet the author and have your books autographed! Refreshments will be served.

— For Children —

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We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, December 7 at the new East Northport Library for our DEDICATION CEREMONY & LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE

Please reserve the date. Details to follow in the December newsletter.

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