Millennium Merriment

A Library Party to Celebrate the Millennium and to Dedicate The Millennium Bookball

Northport Public Library

Sunday, December 12, 1999 at 5:00 p.m.
FOR ADULTS

Fireside Friday

The Northport Middle School String Ensemble

(EN) Friday, December 17, 7:30 p.m.

The Northport Middle School String Ensemble, under the direction of Katherine Giuliano, will present holiday carols and songs including works by Pachelbel, Tchaikovsky, and Woodhouse. All are welcome.

Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance

(EN) Friday, December 3, 9:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
(N) Thursday, December 9, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

HIICAP-trained counselors answer questions about Medicare, HMOs, and supplementary health insurance. Call 261-6930 to make an appointment.

55/Alive Driver Program

(N) Monday, January 10, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Register December 18 at the Northport Library.

(EN) Saturday, January 15, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Register December 18 at the East Northport Library.

AARP's Mature Driver Program is open to library card holders who are 50 years of age or older. There is a $10 fee payable to AARP by check or money order only. Please bring your library card to registration.

Friday Afternoon at the Movies

October Sky

(N) Friday, December 3, 2:00 p.m.

The true story of a young boy who dreams of building rockets while growing up in Coalwood, West Virginia during the 1950s. Rated PG. 108 min.

Defensive Driving

(N) Tuesday, December 14 & Thursday, December 16, 7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: $30

Applications for this six-hour course may be picked up at either Library beginning December 1.

Novel Ideas

(N) Friday, December 10, 1:00 p.m.
(N) Monday, December 13, 7:00 p.m.

Pete Hamill’s Snow in August is our novel this month. Please call discussion leader Dodie Giliman at 261-6930 if you would like to join this group.

Book & Sandwich (W)rap

(EN) Thursday, December 2, 1:00 p.m.
(N) Tuesday, December 7, 7:00 p.m.

Our short stories this month are from Interpreter of Maladies: Stories by Jhumpa Lahiri. We will take a look at “Interpreter of Maladies,” “Mrs. Sen’s,” and “The Third and Final Continent.” To join us and reserve a copy of the stories, call discussion leader Michelle Epstein or the Reference Department at 261-6930.

Departure: 8:00 a.m. from the Laurel Ave. School parking lot (across from Northport Library)
Return: 7:00 p.m.
Cost: $57 per person (checks only; payable to Northport-East Northport Public Library; non-refundable)
Itinerary: Our day begins with a guided tour of the New York Public Library’s fascinating new exhibition “Seeing is Believing: 700 Years of Scientific & Medical Illustration.” Afterward, we’ll dine on a full-course luncheon at La Stanza Verde. In the afternoon we take an audio-tour of the Whitney’s current exhibition, “The American Century: Art & Culture 1950-2000,” which features landmark works by de Kooning, Lichtenstein, Warhol, and Pollock.
Register in person (limit 2 on first day of ticket sale) at the Northport Library beginning January 8.

To New York Public Library & Whitney Museum of American Art
Thursday, January 27, 2000

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FOR FAMILIES

“How The Grinch Stole Christmas”
(EN) Thursday, December 16, 4:00 p.m.
What did the Grinch, who lived just north of Who-ville, hate the most? Find out all about the Grinch’s awful plot as Marcus Williams, a member of the VOICES Story-Time Theatre, reads Dr. Seuss’ beloved story How The Grinch Stole Christmas. Children of all ages are invited to enjoy this classic tale. Free tickets are available December 2 at both libraries.

FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Millennium Gift
(EN) Saturday, December 11, 1:30-3:00 p.m.
Surprise a friend, a grandparent, or a teacher with a Millennium Bookmark. This beribboned, up-to-the-minute bookmark will feature a quote selected by you from Billy Joel, Oprah Winfrey, William Shakespeare, or perhaps your favorite poet. We’ll provide a list to choose from, or you can bring your own selection. You will be the designer and printmaker on this exciting project as bookmark creator Mary Jo Epstein guides you through the process. Cocoa and cookies from the Library Café will be served at the end of the program. Limited registration begins December 3. Please call the East Northport Library to register.

Read Through the Millennium
As the 21st century approaches, you can travel back and forth through time with our millennium list of books that takes you from Sword and Dove, the story of Joan of Arc, through Lyddie, the tale of an 18th century factory girl working to regain her farm, to Tomorrowland, short stories that explore the future and the fate of the human race. Stop by the YA Corner for your copy.

and ... the Teen Read Week
winners are:
• Charlie Scott, winner of Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul.
• Brigitte Schell, winner of a free paperback.
• Amanda Rivera and Nicole Szendy, both winners of a bag of M&M’s. Congratulations to all!

Book Chat Café
Join the group at its next meeting on Friday, December 10, 4:30-5:30 p.m. at the East Northport Library.

Celebrate the Times — Online!
’Twas the night before
And all through the land
The holidays lit spirits
And life was grand.

Not a person snuggled
Deep in bed
While festivities beckoned

For The Holidays
http://www.geocities.com/soho/1721/holiday.html
Recipes, music, and crafts for Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa.

Kwanzaa In Cyberspace
http://members.xoom.com/web_lady/kwanzaa/kwanzaa2.html
History and traditions of Kwanzaa, guides to celebrating, and feasts to prepare.

Happy Chanukah
http://www.holidays.net/chanukah
Stories, games, traditions, and spinning dreidels for families to share during the Festival of Lights.

Christmas.com
http://www.christmas.com
Christmas feasts, facts, and festivals around the world.

JCN Hanukkah Page
How to light, what to recite, and meditations for every night from the Jewish Communication Network.

Kwanzaa Information Center
http://www.melanet.com/kwanzaa
Background, books, crafts, cooking, and celebrating for families and communities.

Joy to the World
http://www.auburn.edu/~7evestmon/christmas.html
The grinch, “Yes, Virginia,” movies, carols, and Santa — the Internet version.

4Christmas
http://www.4christmas.com
Animated graphics to download, e-cards to send, and carols to sing.
FOR CHILDREN

Planning for Nursery School

How to Choose a Nursery School
(EN) Wednesday, December 15, 7:30 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. Registration begins December 1 at the East Northport Library.

Neighborhood Nursery School Night
(N) Wednesday, January 5, 7:30 p.m.
Representatives from area nursery schools will be on hand to display materials and speak with you on an individual basis about their schools' philosophies and objectives. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

Registration for Preschoolers' Door To Learning programs will be held on Saturday, January 8. A program schedule will be available in the Library beginning Dec. 27.

Meeting The Needs of Your Gifted Child
(N) Wednesday, December 1, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
School district teachers Fran Bertos, 2nd grade, and Chelsea Brown, 4th grade, will present a workshop for parents of gifted students in the regular elementary classroom. They will discuss a teacher's approach to enrichment as well as ideas for home enrichment. Registration is now underway.

Parenting Your Teen
(EN) Thursdays, December 2 & 9, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
This two-session workshop will be facilitated by Tom Fazio, Time Out Room counselor, and Paige Mack, school counselor. It will focus on adolescent development and communication skills. Conflict management and developmental issues will be emphasized throughout. Registration is now underway.

Teaching Problem-Solving
(N) Mondays, December 6 & 13, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Jim Durand and Linda Goodman, elementary counselors in the school district, will discuss methods of teaching empathy, impulse control, and problem-solving to children. Registration is now underway.

Attention Deficit/Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorders
(N) Tuesday, January 11, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Nicole Barbier-Adil, Certified School Psychologist, will explore the impact of these disorders on the middle school and high school student. Strategies and resources for students with these difficulties will be discussed. Please register at the Northport Library beginning December 28.

In The Museum Cove
"The Age of the Automobile," a fascinating exhibit tracing the history of the Vanderbilt Motor Cup Race, is coming to the Museum Cove in January. The exhibit is on loan from the Vanderbilt Museum.

Pajama Storytime
(EN) Tuesday, December 7, 7:00 p.m.
(N) Friday, December 17, 7:00 p.m.
Come spend an evening with some of your favorite characters from the works of children's author/illustrator Leo Lionni. Children, ages 3 and up, may wear their PJs to this 30-minute parent/child bedtime storytime. No registration is necessary.

New Bibliographies Available
A new edition of Picture Books Every Child Should Know is now available in Children's Services. We also have a new bibliography, Tales for Toddlers, with suggested titles for you and your young child to enjoy together.

Are you a fan of the Harry Potter series? Pick up a copy of our new reading list If You Like Harry Potter, Try . . .

Emily Rogers
The Bookmark Spot
Step by the Library and pick up December's bookmark by Emily Rogers. A reading list, compiled by our Children's Librarians, is on the back.
Season’s Readings

For Adults

Fiction

Beard, Julie
The Christmas Cat

Binchy, Maeve
This Year It Will Be Different and Other Stories: A Christmas Treasury

Brown, Sandra
Tidings of Great Joy

Churchill, Jill
The Merchant of Menace

Cooney, Caroline B.
What Child is This?
A Christmas Story

Clark, Mary Higgins
All Through the Night

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Silent Night: A Novel

Cornwell, Patricia Daniels
Scarpetta’s Winter Table

Crawford, E.A., ed.
A Christmas Sampler: Classic Stories of the Season

Deveraux, Jude
The Blessing

Evans, Richard Paul
The Christmas Box

Garner, James Finn
Politically Correct Holiday Stories

Hijuelos, Oscar
Mr. Ives’ Christmas

O’Donnell, Mark
Let Nothing You Dismay

Patterson, James
Miracle on the 17th Green

Pratchett, Terry
Hogfather: A Novel of Discworld

Rimes, LeAnn
Holiday in Your Heart

Siddoway, Richard M.
The Christmas Wish

Singer, Isaac Bashevis
The Power of Light

Smith, Barbara Burnett
Mistletoe from Purple Sage

Non-Fiction

Brown, Moshe
Light of Chanukah

Gilbertie, Sal
Herbs for the Holidays: A Treasury of Decorations

Goodman, Philip, comp.
The Hanukkah Anthology

Henes, Donna
Celestially Auspicious Occasions: Seasons, Cycles, and Celebrations

Riley, D. Winbush
The Complete Kwanzaa: Celebrating Our Cultural Harvest

Shea, John
Starlight: Beholding the Christmas Miracle All Year Long

Shendelman, Sara
Traditions: The Complete Book of Prayers, Rituals, and Blessings for Every Jewish Home

Smith, Barbara
B. Smith: Rituals & Celebrations

Stewart, Martha
Special Occasions: The Best of Martha Stewart Living

For Children

Adler, David A.
Chanukah in Chelm

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One Yellow Daffodil: A Hanukkah Story

Brett, Jan
The Wild Christmas Reindeer

depaola, Tomie
The Legend of the Poinsettia

Kimmel, Eric A., ed.
A Hanukkah Treasury

Krensky, Stephen
How Santa Got His Job

Pinkney, Andrea Davis
Seven Candles for Kwanzaa

Polacco, Patricia
The Trees of the Dancing Goats

Rosen, Michael J.
Elijah’s Angel

Sawyer, Ruth
The Remarkable Christmas of the Cobbler’s Sons

Wojciechowski, Susan
The Christmas Miracle of Jonathan Itoomey

*sound recording
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### EXHIBITS

**Northport Gallery:**
Northport Arts Coalition
Millennium Poster Collection
November 20 - December 20

The Millennium Poster Collection, sponsored by the Northport Arts Coalition, will be displayed in the Northport Library Gallery through December 20. The collection is comprised of posters created by area artists to celebrate the new millennium.

**East Northport Display Case:**
"Anyone Can Knit"
Members of the Knitters' Circle share their knitted items and related tools and books. The Knitters' Circle meets every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the Northport Library. New members are always welcome.

**Floral Decorations:**
Northport: Arrangement courtesy of Flower Basket.

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![Library Café Coupon](Image)

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

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**Come Visit the Library Cafe**
In the fine tradition of old world literary coffeehouses, our Library Cafe invites you to read, study, and enjoy the company of others. Take a look at our new menu and prices. We have fresh bagels, a variety of cakes and cookies, ice cream treats, and our popular "homework helper." Also, be sure to ask about our special coffee/tea discount card.

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**Blood Pressure Check**
Wednesday, December 1
Northport Library: 9:30-10:30 a.m.
East Northport Library: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
The Visiting Nurse Service will provide a free blood pressure check at the Library this month. All are welcome.
The Millennium Bookball Assembly

More than 60 community members of all ages gathered in the Main Reading Room of the Northport Library on November 13 to witness the assembly of The Millennium Bookball. Sculptor George Hart directed the delicate process while volunteers slid the pieces of the bookball together.

The assembly process is shown in these photographs. Please join us on Sunday, December 12, 5:00 p.m. at the Northport Library to take part in the dedication and unveiling of The Millennium Bookball.