FOR ADULTS

Meet the Author: Claire Nicolas White
(N) Monday, October 6, 7:00 p.m.
Claire Nicolas White’s new book, The Land of the Smiths, shares the fascinating stories of the family who gave Smithtown its name—from the legend of Richard Smith and his 17th century bull ride to the multiple generations of 20th century Smiths. Books will be available for purchase. No registration required.

Thanks for the Pink Slip: The Upside of Being Downsized
(EN) Tuesday, October 7, 7:00 p.m.
Being laid off is dramatic, but it may also free you to explore new possibilities. Career development expert Constance Hallinan Lagan will discuss how to turn a negative experience into an opportunity for personal and professional growth. No registration required.

Northport Arts Coalition presents A Salute to Native American Culture
(N) Wednesday, October 8, 7:00 p.m.
The Northport VA Native American Indian committee salutes the rich culture and heritage of Native Americans. Local tribal leaders from the Taino Nation of the Antilles, Setalcott Indian Nation, and Cetiliztli Nauhcampa will explore topics such as Native American art, spirituality, and medicine. Native American dancers and musicians will also be featured. No registration required.

Let’s Read More Poetry
(EN) Wednesdays, October 15, 22, 29, November 5, 12, 19, December 3, 10 & 17, 2:30 p.m.
Robert Frost said “A poem begins as a lump in the throat.” Sometimes reading the best poems Frost and others have written can have the same effect. Join us as we try to create a few “lumps in the throat” by sampling the best of traditional and contemporary poetry. No registration required.

Meet Chef Phil Andriano
(N) Wednesday, October 15, 7:00 p.m.
Executive Chef Phil Andriano, author of Zonies: Recipes for a Healthy Life, will explore how to improve your diet by balancing complex carbohydrates, lean proteins, and favorable fats. Chef Andriano is also former champion of the New York State Seafood Challenge and author of Tales from the Tale: A Whale of a Guide to Seafood Cookery. Both books will be available for purchase. No registration required.

Fireside Friday: The Great Italian Songbook
(EN) Friday, October 17, 7:30 p.m.
Relax by the cafe at the East Northport Library and enjoy some of the most famous melodies of all time. Singer and guitarist Dave Anthony Setteducati and friends will perform the wonderful music of Italy—sung in the original Italian. No registration required.

Humorists as Social Critics: Fall Discussion Series
(N) Fridays, October 10, 24, November 7, 14 & December 5, 10:00 a.m.
Mark Twain said “Against the assault of laughter, nothing can stand.” Join us as Michael D’Innocenzo of Hofstra University explores how humorists and political commentators such as Ben Franklin, Will Rogers, Nora Ephron, Stephen Colbert, and many others have used humor to illustrate their views of human foibles, political excesses, and visions for a better society. No registration required.
October is Computer Learning Month

Introduction to Microsoft Excel
(N) Wednesday, October 1, 7:00 p.m.
Learn the basics of the world’s most popular spreadsheet program. Prerequisite: basic computer knowledge. Registration is underway at either library or online. (NENC083)

Intermediate Microsoft Excel
(EN) Monday, October 6, 7:00 p.m.
Learn about Excel functions, working with ranges, macros, and charting. Prerequisite: Introduction to Microsoft Excel or equivalent. Registration began September 22 at either library or online.) (NENC071)

SeniorNet: Great Smartphone Apps
(EN) Thursday, October 9, 4:00 p.m.
A smartphone does more than just make calls—it’s a small computer which can run very useful applications. Take a look at the best smartphone apps, most of which are free and run on both iPhones and Androids. Bring your device. No registration required.

Introduction to Windows 8.1
(EN) Wednesday, October 15, 7:00 p.m.
Learn to use Windows 8.1 to work with files, folders, and applications. Install and uninstall programs, use help, search, and more. Prerequisite: Introduction to Computers or equivalent. Registration begins October 1 at either library or online. (NENC161)

SeniorNet: Social Media
(N) Wednesday, October 22, 4:00 p.m.
Join us to see how people around the world use the most popular sites—Facebook and Twitter—to stay in touch. You’ll also see an overview of the video site YouTube. No registration required.

Inside Your iPad and iPhone
(EN) Monday, October 27, 7:00 p.m.
Learn all about iPad and iPhone settings. We will discuss iCloud, Mail, Contacts, Calendars, and settings that protect your security and prolong battery life. Prerequisite: basic knowledge of your device. No registration required.

Selling on Etsy
(N) Wednesday, October 29, 7:00 p.m.
Want to market your art or handmade craft online? Corporate trainer and jewelry designer Claudine Jalajas will show you, step by step, how to create an account, maximize exposure, and track statistics on Etsy.com. No registration required.

One-on-One Technology Help
Did you know that you can make an appointment with one of our Librarians for help with specific questions about computer technology? Please contact the Reference Desk to make an appointment.
FOR ADULTS

The Red Hot Mamas
(N) Sunday, October 19, 2:00 p.m.
The tap dancing Red Hot Mamas have been kicking up their heels for the past 20 years. The talented dancers range in age from 54 to 80 and perform a repertoire that includes Broadway hits, old time favorites, and modern popular music. Don’t miss this sophisticated, energetic show topped off by spectacular costumes. No registration required. Those showing an NENPL Library card will be seated first.

General Washington’s Commando
(N) Thursday, October 23, 7:00 p.m.
Discover the real story of Benjamin Tallmadge whose Revolutionary War exploits are featured in the television series *Turn*. Historian Richard F. Welch, author of *General Washington’s Commando: Benjamin Tallmadge in the Revolutionary War*, will explore Tallmadge’s bold accomplishments as commander of raids on British-occupied Long Island and his role in Washington’s most active espionage ring. Books will be available for purchase. No registration required.

Health Insurance Counseling
(N) Tuesday, October 21, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
A volunteer from the Health Insurance Information Counseling & Assistance Program (HIICAP) will provide individual counseling to answer your questions about Medicare and supplementary insurance. Registration begins October 8 at either library or online. (NENA473)

Do-ing Music presents
The Canta Libre Chamber Ensemble
(N) Friday, October 24, 7:30 p.m.
The Northport Arts Coalition, in cooperation with the Library, presents the world-class ensemble Canta Libre performing from their latest CD which features music by local composer Geoffrey Gardner. Also included will be Latin inspired music as well as works by Honegger, Tournier, and Roussel. A meet-the-musicians reception will follow the performance. No registration required.

Staying Independent for Life
(EN) Tuesday, October 21, 1:00 p.m.
Falls are the leading cause of injury for older adults. The Suffolk County Department of Health Services will present this workshop on building confidence and reducing falls. Topics will include balance and strength training, vision and medication review, and how to keep the home environment safe. Registration is underway at either library or online. (NENA478)

Youthful Aging, Ageless Consciousness Through Meditation
(N) Tuesday, October 28, 7:00 p.m.
Matthew Raider, M.D., director of the Geriatric Teaching Program at Middlesex Hospital, explores a three-fold method of maintaining youthful function in advancing age. Dr. Raider will discuss the medical evidence regarding exercise, diet, and meditation for modifying the aging process and will also present the core aspects of a meditation practice. No registration required.

On-Your-Own Train Trip to New York City
Sponsored by the Friends of the Library
Saturday, October 18, 9:18 a.m. departure from Northport station
Round trip ticket: $10 per person
Enjoy a day in the city with reduced-rate group tickets on the Long Island Railroad. Children under 5 travel free. Please note: children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
You will meet a Library staff member at the Northport Station house (track side) at 8:55 a.m. where return tickets will be given out. The train arrives at Penn Station at 10:39 a.m. (transfer at Huntington). You must board the first car and remain in the same section. After that, you’re on your own! Your return ticket is good on any Northport-bound train that leaves Penn Station before midnight.
Register in person at the Northport Library building beginning October 1. Tickets are limited. Payment by cash or check payable to The Friends of the Library. Payment is non-refundable. (NENA476)

AARP Smart Driver Course
(EN) Tuesday, October 28 & Wednesday, October 29, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
Registration begins October 4 at the East Northport building only. (NENA472)
(N) Monday, November 3, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Registration begins October 11 at the Northport building only. (NENA474)
AARP’s course curriculum has been updated with new instructional materials. The fee is $20 for AARP members ($25 for non-members), payable to AARP by check or money order only at registration.

See the back page for upcoming November programs and our holiday bus trip.
FOR TEENS

Registration for Teen programs and Volunteer Opportunities begins October 2 at either library or online.

Home Alone
(Please select one date)
(N) Tuesday, October 21, 7:00 p.m. (NENY640)
(EN) Thursday, October 23, 7:00 p.m. (NENY641)
Children in grades 5 and up
Home Alone is designed to help young teens navigate situations that may occur between the time they arrive home from school and the time when their parents return from work. This fun, multimedia program is presented by staff from YDA, your local youth agency.

Minecraft Meet-Up
(N) Friday, October 17, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Join your friends to build a masterpiece in this networked Minecraft program. (NENY642)

Fandom Friday
(N) Friday, October 24, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Join fellow fandom fans to screen favorite films, anime, cartoons, TV shows, and viral clips. Art activities, crafts, and snacks will be provided. (NENY634)

For Parents of Teens:
Keeping One Step Ahead of Your Child Online:
What Your Children Know—and You Don’t—About the Internet
(N) Tuesday, October 14, 7:30 p.m.
School counselor Jim Durand, LCSW, will explore some of the most popular websites kids use today. The focus will be on privacy settings, apps, and websites that help parents monitor their child’s Internet activities. (NENY639)

Teen Volunteer Opportunity
Open to students in grades 7-12.

Teen Advisory Board:
SCPD Canine Unit
(EN) Thursday, October 30, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Meet Lieutenant Brian Coltellino, Commanding Officer of the SCPD Canine Section, along with one of the police dogs from the canine unit. Learn about the dog’s training and job duties such as track and search and specialties like bomb-sniffing, narcotics, and cadaver searches. You will receive volunteer credit for attending this program. (NENY644)

FOR CHILDREN

Registration for the following series programs begins October 2.
(one series program per child)

Mother Goose Rhyme Time
Children 6-23 months with adult; no siblings
Enjoy rhymes and songs with your young child in this program focusing on nursery rhymes. (30 min.) (NENJ436)
Northport: Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.
October 21, 28, November 4

Sing & Play
Children 1-3 years with adult; siblings welcome
Sing songs and rhymes while using scarves, bells, and hoops that engage children in activities to reinforce early literacy skills. (30 min.) (NENJ437)
East Northport: Mondays, 10:00 or 11:00 a.m.
October 27, November 3, 10

Chess Club
(N) Thursday, October 2, 7:00 p.m.
Children in grades 3-6
Playing chess helps children improve concentration, expand critical thinking skills, and boost memory. Have fun, improve your game, and practice good sportsmanship! (45 min.) No registration required.

Books a Poppin’
East Northport: Thursdays, 2:00 p.m.
October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
East Northport: Fridays, 10:00 a.m.
October 3, 10, 17
Northport: Fridays, 10:00 a.m.
October 3, 10, 17
Children birth–5 years not yet in kindergarten; siblings welcome
We’ll read stories, sing songs, share rhymes and fingerplays, and have fun in this interactive program for families. (30 min.) No registration required.
Clap, Tap, Drum! PJ Storytime
(EN) Tuesday, October 7, 7:00 p.m.
Children with adult; siblings welcome
Get hoppin’ with music, stories, and lots of movement in this interactive family storytime. (30 min.) No registration required.

Home Alone
(N) Tuesday October 21, 7:00 p.m. (NENY640)
(EN) Thursday, October 23, 7:00 p.m. (NENY641)
Children in grades 5 and up (Please select one date)
Join representatives from the YDA for this fun, multimedia program designed to help young teens navigate situations that may occur between the time they arrive home from school and the time their parents return home. (90 min.) Registration begins October 2 at either library or online.

Pretzel Making
(EN) Wednesday, October 8, 4:00 p.m. Children in grades 2-5
Celebrate National Pretzel Month with educators from the Cold Spring Harbor Whaling Museum. Learn about the history of pretzels and find out how yeast and molds work. Mix dough and shape it into an ocean animal to bake at home. (45 min.) (NENJ433)

Block Party
(N) Saturday, October 25, 10:00 a.m.
Children 1-4 years with adult; siblings welcome
Children learn to use their minds as well as their muscles while having fun building blocks and playing with other children. (45 min.) No registration required.

STARLAB
(N) Saturday, October 18, 2:00 p.m.
Children in grades 1-5
The Long Island Science Center brings STARLAB to the Library! When children enter this inflatable indoor planetarium, they will explore the night sky and learn to recognize constellations. The role that stars played in early storytelling and folklore as well as navigation will be shared. (60 min.) (NENJ440)

Story Parade
(N) Wednesdays, Oct. 15, 22, 29, Nov. 5, 4:00 p.m.
Children in grades K-2
A hands-on activity enhances this storytime introducing children to a variety of literature. (45 min.) Registration begins October 2 at either library or online. (NENJ432)

Sunday Family Special: Sherlock Holmes Takes the Case
(N) Sunday, October 26, 2:00 p.m.
For adults and children in grades K and up
Something’s amiss and now “the game’s afoot” for the brilliant Sherlock Holmes. Along with Dr. Watson, Holmes will follow the clues with audience help. Join the Traveling Lantern Theatre Company and solve the mystery! No registration required. Those showing an NENPL Library card will be seated first.

Author George Hagen Visits The Newbery Book Club
(N) Thursday, October 16, 7:00 p.m.
Children in grades 4 and up
George Hagen, author of the exciting new fantasy Gabriel Finley and the Raven’s Riddle, visits the Newbery Book Club. (60 min.) No registration required.

Keeping One Step Ahead of Your Child Online
(N) Tuesday, October 14, 7:30 p.m.
School Counselor Jim Durand, LCSW, will explore some of the most popular websites visited by elementary and middle school kids. A focus will be on privacy settings and online safety. (60 min.) Registration begins October 2 at either library or online. (NENY639)

Dollars and Sense
(N) Thursday, November 13, 4:00 p.m.
Children in grades 3-5
Learn about money and the importance of saving with a financial literacy expert from People’s United Bank. Each child will decorate their own ceramic piggy bank to take home! (60 min.) Registration begins October 30 at either library or online. (NENJ434)
Adult Programs
Coming in Early November:

Kings Park:
Stories from an American Mental Institution
(N) Sunday, November 2, 2:00 p.m.

In 1967, at the age of 17, Lucy Winer was committed to the Kings Park State Hospital following a series of suicide attempts. More than 30 years later, now a documentary filmmaker, Ms. Winer returned to Kings Park for the first time. Her journey back sparks a decade-long effort to face her past and learn the story of the now abandoned institution that once held her captive.

Her meetings with former patients, families, and staff reveal the painful legacy of our state hospital system and the crisis left by its demise. A viewing of Kings Park (108 min.) will be followed by a discussion with Lucy Winer. No registration required.

Fresh Boxwood Centerpiece Tree
(EN) Wednesday, November 5, 7:00 p.m.

Join instructor Diana Conklin to create a 15-inch tree or shrub with fresh cut boxwood and assorted greens. Then decorate your centerpiece with dried flowers, herbs, cones, and berries. A non-refundable $10 materials fee is payable at registration which begins October 10 at the East Northport building. (NENA477)

Book-A-Trip to New York City & Brooklyn Holiday Lights Tour
Monday, December 8, 2014

Departure: 11:30 a.m. from the William J. Brosnan building parking lot (across from Northport Library)
Return: 9:30 p.m.
Cost: $89 per person (checks only, non-refundable, payable to Northport-East Northport Public Library)

Itinerary: Our day begins with time to browse the unique Holiday Shops at Bryant Park. Following a 3:00 p.m. lunch at Petrasanta Restaurant our special tour guide Justin Ferrante will lead a holiday light tour which will include Brooklyn’s famous Dyker Heights area.

Registration: Register in person beginning Saturday, October 4, 9:00 a.m. at the Northport Library.
Ticket limit: 2 per patron on first 2 days of sale. NENPL Library card required. (NENA475)