For Adults

Northport Arts Coalition presents Greek Dancers
(N) Wednesday, September 10, 7:00 p.m.
   The Northport Arts Coalition, in cooperation with the Library, presents the Hellenic Dancers of the Saint Paraskevi Greek school in Greenlawn. Dressed in traditional Greek costumes, the students perform dances that reflect their Hellenic culture. No registration required.

Smoking Cessation Program
(EN) Thursdays, September 11, 18, 25, October 2, 9 & 16, 6:00 p.m.
   Public Health Educators from the Suffolk County Department of Health will conduct this free, six-part smoking cessation program. Registration is underway at either library or online. (NENA467)

Senior Options & Resources in the Town of Huntington
(EN) Monday, September 15, 10:00 a.m.
   Melissa-Robyn Levitan from Town of Huntington Outreach Services will describe the extensive resources available to seniors including the Nutrition Center, Adult Day Care Program, residential repair, transportation, and much more. No registration required.

Cinema at the Library: Film & Discussion
(N) Wednesday, September 17, 6:30 p.m.
   Join Dylan Skolnick, co-director of Huntington’s Cinema Arts Centre, to view and discuss contemporary films. No registration required.

Document Shredding Day
(EN) Saturday, September 13, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
   Safeguard your personal information and do something good for the environment!
   Bring your personal household documents and watch as they are shredded in the Mobile Shredding Truck operated by Quality Shredding.

   Limit: 3 boxes (standard size storage box) or 3 bags (paper or clear plastic)

   Recommended items: bills, bank statements, receipts, medical, insurance, and tax records

   Prohibited items: plastic, wet paper, metal, books, computer disks, CDs, credit cards, magazines, catalogues, newspapers, film, photographs

   This service is available on a first-come, first-served basis and will end at 12:00 noon, or when the shredding truck is full.

Translating Your Vision Into Reality
(N) Monday, September 22, 7:00 p.m.
   Would you like to perform better at work, create new positive habits, or just feel more confident and happy? Join motivational speaker Tom Stack and learn how techniques such as affirmations, vision boards, and positive thinking can help you translate your vision into reality. No registration required.

Tickets are still available for our tour of Yankee Stadium on September 9. Please call the Library for more information.
Let’s Talk: English Conversation Group
(EN) Fridays, September 12 & 26, 7:00 p.m.
Would you like to practice your conversational English in a friendly atmosphere? Join our informal conversation group. No registration required.

Language Learning Software: English for Beginners
(EN) Fridays, September 19, October 3 & 24, 7:00 p.m.
Come and see how to use online language learning software to learn English. After practicing a chapter, you can apply what you have learned by conversing with Librarian Michelle Athanas. No registration required.

Introduction to Computers: Part 2
(N) Monday, September 8, 7:00 p.m.
Learn basic word processing skills while working with text and files. Prerequisites: Introduction to Computers: Part 1 or equivalent. Registration is underway at either library or online. (NENC157)

SeniorNet: The iPhone Camera
(N) Thursday, September 18, 4:00 p.m.
When asked in an interview what kind of camera people should buy, world-famous photographer Annie Leibovitz responded “an iPhone.” Join us to see a demonstration of apps for taking, correcting, and enhancing photos. Many of these apps are also available on Android phones. Bring your smartphone or just come to listen. No registration required.

Basic Digital Photo Editing
(EN) Monday, September 22, 7:00 p.m.
The class will cover basic editing techniques for users of both point & shoot and digital SLR cameras. Topics will include lightening and darkening images, cropping, enhancing color, removing unwanted subject matter, correcting red eye, and more. No registration required.

Introduction to QuickBooks
(N) Saturday, September 27, 9:45 a.m.
This class will demonstrate the fundamentals of QuickBooks, including customizing the software for your business, creating and editing a Chart of Accounts, working with Centers, understanding Items, Asset, Liability and Equity Accounts, creating Invoices, and more. Prerequisite: basic accounting or bookkeeping skills. No registration required.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel
(N) Wednesday, October 1, 7:00 p.m.
Learn the basics of the world's most popular spreadsheet program, including creating, editing and formatting worksheets, formulas, and much more. Prerequisite: basic computer knowledge. Registration begins September 15 at either library or online. (NENC083)

Intermediate Microsoft Excel
(EN) Monday, October 6, 7:00 p.m.
Learn more about this popular spreadsheet program including functions, working with ranges, macros, and charting. Prerequisite: Introduction to Microsoft Excel or equivalent. Registration begins September 22 at either library or online. (NENC071)
Medicare 101
(N) Tuesday, September 23, 2:30 p.m.
Lauren Granger, a representative from Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield, will discuss Basic Medicare and the differences between Medicare parts A, B, C, and D. She will also describe state subsidy programs such as EPIC, and the Extra Help and Medicare Savers programs. Your questions are welcome. No registration required.

Volunteer Fair
(N) Tuesday, September 30, 4:00-6:00 p.m.
When we share our time and talents we improve the lives of others, strengthen our community, connect with one another, and transform our own lives. Studies suggest that volunteering can provide many benefits—volunteers have lower rates of depression and lower mortality rates; older volunteers often benefit from increased social and physical activity; children and teens get to look beyond themselves and understand how they can impact their community.

Come to the Library’s Volunteer Fair and speak with representatives from local organizations that are actively seeking volunteers. Participating organizations will include: The American Red Cross, Avalon Park & Preserve, Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind, Huntington Historical Society, Long Island Greenbelt Trail, Make-A-Wish, Meals on Wheels, Northport Arts Coalition, Northport Historical Society, Response of Suffolk County, RSVP, Sustainable Long Island, and Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice among others. No registration required.

Defensive Driving
(EN) Tuesday, September 9 & Wednesday, September 10, 7:00-10:00 p.m. $36
Applications for this point/insurance reduction safety course are available now at both library buildings.

(N) Saturday, October 4, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Applications for this point/insurance reduction safety course are available September 8 at both library buildings.

AARP Smart Driver Course
(EN) Tuesday, September 16 & Thursday, Sept. 18, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Registration is underway at the East Northport building only. (NENA469)

(N) Monday, October 6, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Registration begins September 13 at the Northport building only. (NENA471)
AARP’s course curriculum has been enhanced 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.

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Thanks for the Pink Slip: The Upside of Being Downsized
(EN) Tuesday, October 7, 7:00 p.m.
Being laid off is a dramatic thing, but it may also free you to explore new possibilities. Career development expert Constance Hallinan Lagan will discuss how you can turn a negative experience into an opportunity for personal and professional growth. 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 Michael D’Innocenzo of Hofstra University as we explore how humorists and political commentators including Ben Franklin, Thomas Nast, Finley Peter Dunne, Will Rogers, and Stephen Colbert have used humor to illustrate their views of human foibles, political excesses, and visions for a better society. No registration required.

Coming in October:
Meet the Author:
Claire Nicolas White
(N) Monday, October 6, 7:00 p.m.
FOR CHILDREN

PSAT/SAT Preparation Workshop
(N) Thursdays, September 11, 18, October 2, 9, 6:15 p.m.-8:45 p.m.
Registration is underway and limited openings may be available. (NENY633)

Fandom Friday
(N) Friday, September 12, 7:00 p.m.
Join fellow fandom fans to screen favorite films, anime, cartoons, TV shows, and viral clips, as we share recommendations across the media scape. Art activities, crafts and snacks will be provided. (NENY634)

Teen Writer’s Workshop
(N) Friday, September 19, 7:00-8:45 p.m.
Do you love to write? Join fellow writers to discuss your ideas and get feedback on your work. (NENY635)

How to Pay “Wholesale” for College
(N) Tuesday, September 23, 7:00 p.m.
College finance consultant Andy Lockwood takes an informative and entertaining look at the best kept secrets of securing the ideal financial aid package. This program is geared to “forgotten” middle class families who think they cannot qualify for financial aid. Parents and teens welcome. (NENY636)

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

Lego Volunteers
(EN) Tuesday, September 30, 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Children in grades 1-5
Make new friends while building with Legos at the Library. Your Lego creation will be displayed in the Children’s Room. (45 min.) No registration required.

Chess Club Volunteers
(N) Thursday, October 2, 6:45-8:00 p.m.
Earn volunteer credit while you help children learn chess. A basic knowledge of the game is required for volunteers. (NENY637)

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Chess Club – First meeting of the Fall!
(N) Thursday, October 2, 7:00 p.m.
Children in grades 3-6
Playing chess can help children improve concentration, expand critical thinking skills, and boost memory. Join us and have some fun, learn to improve your game, and practice good sportsmanship! (45 min.) No registration required.

Down on the Farm PJ Storytime
(EN) Tuesday, September 16, 7:00 p.m.
Children with adult; siblings welcome
Join us to share stories, rhymes, and music in this active family storytime about fun farm animals. (30 min.) No registration required.

Newbery Book Club
(N) Tuesday, September 23, 7:00 p.m.
Children in grades 4 and up
Club members read advance copies of new books and post reviews online. September’s discussion will focus on Half a Chance by Cynthia Lord. Visit the Newbery Book Club website for details about club activities: www.nenpl.org/childrens/newbery/index. (60 min.) No registration required.

Anything Goes Legos
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(EN) Tuesday, September 30, 3:45-5:00 p.m.
Earn volunteer credit while you assist children in grades 1-5 to create Lego projects. (NENY637)

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Teens . . . are you interested in volunteering?
Come to the Library’s Volunteer Fair on Tuesday, September 30, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Northport Library and talk with representatives from local organizations.

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FOR CHILDREN

The building blocks of literacy develop during infancy. Early exposure to sounds, words, speech, and print is crucial to a child's ability to read and write. Library programs include songs, rhymes, fingerplays, board books, and simple stories that help children to get ready to read. Look for our monthly Road to Reading Calendar for early literacy tips and ways that you can foster these skills at home, as well as instill a love of reading.

Your child may register for one series program per month. Registration for the following series programs begins September 4.

Program for children and accompanying adult; no siblings please

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. The natural rhythm of the language encourages an awareness of the sounds that are the building blocks of language development and early literacy. (30 min.) (NENJ425)

**Northport:** Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.  
September 23, 30, October 7

Independent program

Preschool Storytime  
*Children 4-5 years not yet in kindergarten*  
Children listen to stories, sing songs and rhymes that increase vocabulary and letter knowledge, and participate in hands-on activities to recreate the narrative elements of the story. (30 min.)

**East Northport:** Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. (NENJ422)  
Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m. (NENJ423)  
September 23, 30, October 7, 14, 21, 28

Please Note:
• Programs are offered according to age on a monthly basis.
• Please ensure your child meets the specific age criteria.
• Use your child's Library card to register and provide all information in the “note to instructor” field.
• Preference will be given to children who are registered or on the waiting list. All others will be seated as space permits.

Programs for families

Sing & Play  
*Children 1-3 years with adult; siblings welcome*  
Sing songs and rhymes while using scarves, bells, balls, and hoops that engage children in musical and physical activity to reinforce early literacy skills and foster a love of language. (30 min.) (NENJ421)

**East Northport:** Mondays, 10:00 or 11:00 a.m.  
September 22, 29, October 6

Moms’ Group  
*Children birth-3 years with mother; siblings welcome*  
This weekly discussion group, which is part of the National Association of Mothers' Centers, is led by a trained facilitator. Various topics and activities celebrate and explore motherhood while your children play with toys. (90 min.) (NENJ424)

**East Northport:** Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.  
September 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

1, 2, 3, Learn with Me  
*Children 1-3 years with adult; siblings welcome*  
Chat and learn with child development experts while your children play with others their own age. Includes an open-ended art activity and a circle time with stories and songs. (60 min.) (NENJ426)

**Northport:** Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.  
October 2, 9, 16, 23

Farewell Reception for Doris Gebel  
(N) Friday, September 5, 5:00-7:00 p.m.  
Please join us in wishing a happy retirement to Doris Gebel. The community will benefit from Mrs. Gebel's accomplishments for many years to come. As Head of the Library’s Youth Services Department for the past 17 years, she oversaw the redesign of the Children’s Rooms in both Northport and East Northport during our building projects in the 1990s. Mrs. Gebel also developed the Museum Cove, the International and Global Literature Collection, the Newbery Club, and the Rosemary Wells Special Collection. Please stop by The Museum Cove for a slice of cake and a fond farewell!

The Summer Reading Club is over, but your charts may still be here. Please be sure to pick them up in the Children’s Room by September 30.

The Road to Reading

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Looking for Your Next Great Read?

Let NextReads, the Library’s online resource, help you make your selection. Available through the Library’s website, NextReads provides title suggestions in more than 20 fiction and nonfiction categories including Mystery, Romance, Thrillers, Biography, History, Science, and Current Events; books for Teens, Tweens, and Children; as well as bestsellers and titles you may have missed.

Subscribe to one of NextReads’ e-newsletters and have the latest and upcoming titles in the categories of your choice sent directly to your email account; or simply read the newsletters online. Visit the Library’s website to access NextReads, and please inquire at the Reference Desk if you need assistance.

Want to Join a Book Club?

Your Library has three book discussions groups for you to choose from: Novel Ideas meets in the evening to discuss contemporary fiction titles; Short Story Central meets in the evening and focuses on short story collections; Page Turners meets in the afternoon and concentrates on bestselling titles. Meeting dates and times are listed in our monthly newsletter, or you can inquire at the Reference Desk.

The Museum Cove: 15 Years and Counting

September – December, 2014

The Museum Cove, located in the Children’s Department of the Northport Library, is a specialized learning center where patrons of all ages can enjoy a museum experience. Since 1999, the Museum Cove has hosted biannual exhibits in collaboration with local cultural, historical, art, and scientific organizations. Come view a timeline of past exhibits and participate in programs featuring some of our most popular presenters—all in celebration of the Museum Cove’s 15th anniversary!

The East Northport Festival
on Saturday, September 6
John Walsh Park from 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Cow Harbor Day on Sunday, September 21
Village Park from 12:00 noon-5:00 p.m.

Library staff will be there to greet you with the latest information about Library services and activities.

September is
Library Card Sign-up Month

Discover what your Library Card can do for you!

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