FOR ADULTS

Scarf, Hat, Mitten, & Glove Collection
December 1, 2016 through January 8, 2017

Help local residents keep warm this winter by donating scarves, hats, mittens, and gloves. All sizes, children through adult, are accepted. Materials may be new, gently used, or handmade. All donations will be given to the Family Service League for distribution to area families and individuals in need. Drop off your donations at the display table in the lobby of either library building through January 8, 2017.

Do-ing Music presents Harp Quintet
(N) Friday, December 2, 7:30 p.m.
Enjoy the glistening beauty inside Canta Libre as each of the five ensemble members is featured in this all new program. Included will be works by Roussel, Schulhoff, Beethoven, and Sir Arnold Bax. Concert will be followed by a reception and refreshments.

Holiday Candy Bark
(N) Monday, December 5, 7:00 p.m.
With guidance from the Baking Coach, make your own colorful candy bark to give as a gift this holiday season. Peppermint, white chocolate cranberry, and marble pretzel crunch barks will be created and packed up in a bakery box to take home. Registration is underway. (NENA606)

Holiday Guitar Workshop
(EN) Monday, December 5 & 12, 7:00 pm.
Guitar virtuoso, composer, and instructor Chris Fury will demonstrate some seasonal songs as well as explain the fundamentals of guitar playing in this two-part series. Both electric and acoustic guitars are welcome, and no previous music experience is required. Registration is underway. (NENA607)

Medicine Collection Day
(N & EN) Wednesday, December 7, 3:30-6:30 p.m.
The Northport Police Department and the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office will collect unused or expired prescription and over-the-counter medications. Proper disposal of these items is essential for risk reduction and environmental protection. No questions asked and no personal information is required.
Northport: Items in pill form only.
East Northport: Items in pill form as well as hypodermic needles and liquids. The hypodermic needles must be stored in a heavy-duty plastic container with a tight-fitting, puncture-resistant lid and labeled “sharps.”
This event is co-sponsored by the Northport-East Northport Drug and Alcohol Task Force.

Winter Hiking on Long Island
(N) Wednesday, December 7, 7:00 p.m.
Author and outdoor enthusiast Lee McAllister will be here to discuss the many hiking opportunities available on Long Island with a special emphasis on outdoor opportunities during the colder months. Mr. McAllister’s book entitled Hiking Long Island: A Comprehensive Guide to Parks and Trails is currently in its fourth edition.
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**Healthy Holiday Eating**
(N) Thursday, December 8, 2:00 p.m.
The holiday season presents all kinds of temptations that can make sticking to a healthy eating plan a challenge. Registered Dietician Patrick Moran of Northwell Health will present an informative and practical approach to encourage healthy eating while still enjoying all the holidays have to offer.

**An Afternoon of Beautiful Horn Music with HORNUCOPIA**
(N) Sunday, December 11, 2:00 p.m.
Join HORNUCOPIA, a French horn quartet, for an afternoon concert of music featuring an eclectic mix of classical and holiday favorites for the entire family! HORNUCOPIA is comprised of a group of four friends, all career music educators and hornists from the Huntington area. A reception will follow the performance.

**The Organic Winter Garden**
(N) Tuesday, December 13, 7:00 p.m.
Enjoy fresh vegetables and salads right through the winter months! Organic growing consultant Renato Stafford will explain how you can extend the growing season of your organic garden. Topics covered will include the importance of soil (compost), cold-hardy vegetables, zero-energy greenhouse designs, harvesting practices, and many time saving techniques.

**NAC presents Patricia Shih: Multicultural Holiday Concert**
(N) Wednesday, December 14, 7:00 p.m.
Award-winning singer-songwriter Patricia Shih presents a lively holiday show for the whole family. Year-end holidays celebrated are Christmas, Chanukah, and Kwanzaa. Join Ms. Shih and her accompanist Stephen Fricker for an evening of joyful music and fun, as full audience participation is encouraged!

**Fireside Friday: Northport Middle School Chamber Ensemble**
(EN) Friday, December 16, 7:00 p.m.
Enjoy festive holiday music performed by the talented members of the Northport Middle School Chamber Ensemble under the direction of Anthony Tramontana.

**Make Your Life a Blue Zone**
(N) Tuesday, January 10, 11:00 a.m.
The blue zones are regions on the globe where people live the longest and, decade for decade, have the best health metrics. Dr. Stacey Funk, clinical professor in lifestyle medicine and health coaching at Stony Brook University Medical Center, will explore the common characteristics that these communities share, including diet, exercise, and stress management. Participants will come away with steps that they can take toward creating their own blue zones.

**Staying Independent for Life**
(EN) Wednesday, January 11, 10:00 a.m.
Falls are the leading cause of injury for older adults. The Suffolk County Department of Health will explain how to build confidence and reduce the probability of falls. Topics include balance and strength training, vision and medication review, and how to keep the home environment safe. Registration begins December 12.

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**AARP Smart Driver Course**
(EN) Thursdays, December 1 & 8, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Registration is underway at the East Northport Library only. Fee: $20 for AARP members ($25 for non-members) payable to AARP by check or money order only at registration.

**Defensive Driving**
(N) Saturday, December 3, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Fee: $36
Applications are currently available at both library buildings.

**LEARN**

**Introduction to Windows 10**
(N) Thursday, December 8, 7:00 p.m.
This hands-on class provides an understanding of the latest version of Windows. Learn how to use the desktop to work with files, folders, and applications. Use the new start menu, help, search, and much more. Prerequisite: basic computer knowledge. Registration is underway.

**All About Facebook, Twitter, & YouTube**
(N) Monday, December 12, 7:00 p.m.
Social networking online: Facebook, Twitter, & YouTube. What is it all about? Come to this lecture and demo class and find out. We will discuss social networking sites, instant messenger programs, and blogs. Learn how to post pictures and videos online and much more. Parents: help your kids use social networking safely.

**All About the iPad & iPhone**
(N) Wednesday, January 4, 7:00 p.m.
Learn all about Apple’s hottest gadgets. In this class you will get an introduction to the hardware, learn how to access the Internet and your email, understand the settings, use the apps and learn how to get new apps. Also discover many tips and tricks. Bring your iPad or iPhone, or just come and listen.

**AARP Intro to Defensive Driving**
(EN) Tuesday, January 10, 7:00 p.m.
This hands-on class provides an understanding of the latest version of Windows. Learn how to use the desktop to work with files, folders, and applications. Use the new start menu, help, search, and much more. Prerequisite: basic computer knowledge. Registration begins December 27.

**Career Program**
**Interviewing Etiquette & Techniques**
(EN) Monday, January 9, 7:30 p.m.
Join Career Counselor Casey Savin to learn different tips and tricks to ace your interview and come out as the strongest candidate. Registration begins December 12.

**Blood Pressure Check**
(EN) Wednesday, December 7, 5:30-10:30 a.m., and (EN) 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
A nurse from Visiting Nurse Service is available to provide a free blood pressure check.

**Medicare Counseling**
(EN) Wednesday, December 14, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
A volunteer HIICAP counselor will answer questions about Medicare and supplementary insurance. Registration begins December 1.

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**To find out if the Library is closed for inclement weather:**
- call the Library for a recorded message
- check the Library website at www.nenpl.org
- tune in to Cablevision News 12

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**Gallery Exhibits**
**Northport: “CHICKADEES” Creative Art Studio Student Art Exhibition**
A collection of bird paintings in acrylics on 12” x 12” stretched canvases. Art Talk Friday, December 9, 7-9 p.m. All are welcome.

**East Northport: Life As I See It**
Jeff Urquhart’s digital photography with a coastal theme, most prints on canvas.
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**Friday Movies**

*Independence Day: Resurgence*  
Fridays, (N) December 2 and (EN) December 9, 2:00 p.m.  
Two decades after the first Independence Day invasion, Earth is faced with a new extra-Solar threat. But will mankind’s new space defenses be enough? Rated PG-13. 129 min.

*Finding Dory*  
Fridays, (N) December 16 and (EN) December 23, 2:00 p.m.  
The friendly but forgetful blue tang fish begins a search for her long-lost parents, and everyone learns a few things about the real meaning of family along the way. Rated PG. 95 min.

*Closed captioning will be displayed.*

**Book Groups**

Copies of the books are available at the Northport Library Circulation Desk. Short stories are available at both buildings.

*Truth Be Told*  
(N) Thursday, December 1, 7:00 p.m.  
Our nonfiction group will discuss Lives in Ruins: Archaeologists and the Seductive Lure of Human Rubble by Marilyn Johnson.

*Short Story Central*  
(N) Tuesday, December 6, 7:00 p.m.  
We will discuss selected stories from the collection *Half Wild* by Robin MacArthur.

*Page Turners*  
(N) Thursday, December 15, 2:00 p.m.  
The group will discuss *The Traitor’s Wife* by Alyson Pataki.

*Novel Ideas*  
(N) Monday, December 19, 7:00 p.m.  
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**FOR TEENS**

**Registration for Teen programs and Volunteer Opportunities begins December 1.**

**Fandom Friday: Pixel Party**  
(N) Friday, December 2, 7:00-8:30 p.m.  
Join your fellow fandom fans in this special festive holiday workshop where you can make pixel art for gifts or to keep yourself! (NENA939)

**Elf**  
(N) Monday, December 19, 2:00 p.m.  
Join us as we prepare for the holidays with a special screening of the modern comedy classic, *Elf*, starring Will Ferrell. A young orphan child mistakenly crawls into Santa’s bag and is transported back to the North Pole to be raised as an elf. Years later, Buddy learns that he is not really an elf and goes on a journey to New York City to discover his true identity. Grab some candy at the door, and don’t forget your elf hat! Rated PG. 95 min.

**Mango Conversations Spanish**  
(N) Tuesdays, December 6 & 13, 2:00 p.m.  
Practice your basic Spanish conversation using the popular Mango Languages, an online resource provided by the Library. In each weekly meeting, participants will focus on and practice a chapter of Mango Conversations Spanish in a group setting.

**Practice Makes Perfect**  
(EN) Wednesday, December 7 & 21, 1:00-3:00 p.m.  
Practice your English conversation skills and gain more confidence communicating in English in this friendly conversation class. Registration begins December 1. (NENA919)

**Let’s Talk English Conversation**  
(EN) Fridays, December 2 & 16, 7:00 p.m.  
Meet new friends and practice your English language conversation in a relaxed and friendly environment.

**Quick Reads**  
This program will resume in January.

**From the Friends of the Northport-East Northport Library**

Visit the American Museum of Natural History for a discounted price, courtesy of The Friends of the Library. The discount vouchers are $10 and can be redeemed for general admission and one special exhibition, film, or live animal exhibition of the visitor’s choosing. Vouchers are available, while supplies last, at the Circulation Desks at both library buildings. Please pay by cash or check payable to The Friends of the Library. (NENA819)

**Socrates Café**  
(N) Monday, December 12, 7:00-8:00 p.m.  
Our philosophy club is a great opportunity for teens to delve into life's Big Questions in an enthusiastic atmosphere of free thinking, energetic exchange, and unique perspectives. Food for thought (refreshments) will be served. Newcomers are always welcome! (NENA941)

**Magic: The Gathering**  
(N) Saturday, December 3, 1:00-2:30 p.m.  

**Teen Volunteer Opportunities**

Open to students in grades 7-12  
You may choose one volunteer opportunity in addition to Teen Advisory Board.

**Teen Advisory Board: Little Shelter Gift Bags**  
(EN) Wednesday, December 7, 7:00-8:00 p.m.  
Join the Teen Services Department in creating holiday play and snack packs for Huntington’s Little Shelter Animal Rescue & Adoption Center. (NENA935)

**Lego Volunteers**  
(EN) Monday, December 19, 3:45-5:00 p.m.  
Join us to aid children in grades 1-5 as they create Lego projects and earn community service credit. (NENA936)

**Chess Club Volunteers**  
(N) Thursday, December 29, 6:45-8:00 p.m.  
Earn volunteer credit while you assist children learning to play chess. A basic knowledge of the game is required. (NENA937)

**Noon Year’s Eve Party Volunteers**  
(N) Friday, December 30, 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.  
Celebrate New Year’s Eve with a countdown to noon! We’ll have games, crafts, music, snacks, and more to ring in the New Year. (NENA938)

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FOR CHILDREN

Books a Poppin’
(N) Fridays, December 2, 9, 10:00 a.m.
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Children birth-5 years with adult
We’ll read stories, sing songs, share rhymes and fingerplays, and have fun in this interactive program for families. (30 min.)

Block Party!
(N) Friday, December 2, 7:00 p.m.
Children 1-4 years with adult; siblings welcome
Children learn to use their minds as well as their muscles while having fun building with blocks and playing with other children. (45 min.)

Community Awareness for Families
Habitat for Humanity:
Christmas tree relates to Habitat for Humanity. An active family storytime with music, movement, and to learn how the Rockefeller Center
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Go Global: Spain
(N) Wednesday, December 14, 4:00 p.m.
Children in grades K-3
This month we travel to Spain through stories, art, music, and more! (60 min.) Registration begins December 1. (NENJ103)

Coding and Robotics
(N) Thursday, December 15, 4:00 p.m.
Children in grades 2-5
Kids learn to create their own computer code to program a robot’s route down a racetrack. (45 min.) Registration begins December 1. (NENJ103)

Paws to Read
(N) Friday, December 16
Children in grades 1-5
Children will practice reading aloud to a certified therapy dog. Select a book from the Library’s collection or bring a book from home. Registration begins December 1. Choose one 15-minute session:
6:30-6:45 p.m. (NENJ103)
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Gingerbread Houses
(N) Saturday, December 17, 11:00 a.m.
Children in grades K-5 with adult; siblings welcome
Guy Gagliano of Swan Bakery will inspire each family to build and decorate their own delicious gingerbread house. All materials will be provided. A non-refundable fee of $8 (cash or check made out to the Northport-East Northport Public Library) must be brought to either library within 3 days of registration. Your REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE until payment is received. Only one gingerbread house per family please. (60 min.) Registration begins December 1. (NENJ106)

Family Build It
(N) Wednesday, December 28, 4:00 p.m.
Children 4 years and up with adult; siblings welcome
Families are welcome to come and build together with materials of all sizes and textures. A small group experience will also be available. (60 min.)

Dino-Sing
(N) Monday, December 5, 10:00 a.m.
Children birth-5 years; adults and siblings welcome
Enjoy a family friendly concert for little ones who love music, movement . . . and dinosaurs! (30 min.) Registration is underway. (NENJ999)

Dragons and Dreams
(N) Sunday, December 4, 2:00 p.m.
Children in grades K-5; adults and siblings welcome
Science meets storytelling in this spectacular dragon adventure which features interactive experiments with dry ice, fog, bubbles, and flying rockets. (45 min.) Registration is underway. (NENJ101)

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 anything Goes Legos
(N) Sunday, December 18, 2:00 p.m.
Children in grades 4 and up with adult; siblings welcome
With Guy Gagliano of Swan Bakery will inspire each family to build and decorate their own delicious gingerbread house. All materials will be provided. A non-refundable fee of $8 (cash or check made out to the Northport-East Northport Public Library) must be brought to either library within 3 days of registration. Your REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE until payment is received. Only one gingerbread house per family please. (60 min.) Registration begins December 1. (NENJ106)

Sensory Friendly Film
(N) Sunday, December 18, 2:00 p.m.
Children in grades 4 and up with adult; siblings welcome
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Newbery Club
(N) Tuesday, December 20, 7:00 p.m.
Children in grades 4 and up
Come nominate your favorite book as we set the ballot for our Mock Newbery election on January 17. Check the Newbery Book Club page on the Library’s website for a list of books the Club members have been reading this year. New members are always welcome. (60 min.)

Board Game Bonanza
(N) Tuesday, December 27, 3:00 p.m.
Children 4 years and up, adults and siblings welcome
Make new friends while you play your favorite board game or learn a new one. A small group experience will also be available. (60 min.)

Sensory Fun
(N) Saturday, January 7, 10:00 a.m.
Children 3-6 years with adult; siblings welcome
Participate with your child in a storytime followed by a hands-on experience designed to stimulate the senses. (45 min.) Registration begins December 10. (NENJ114)

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Chess Club
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Children in grades 3-6
Chess teaches children foresight, helps them to expand self-confidence, and sharpens their ability to focus. All skill levels are welcome, but a basic knowledge of the game is required. (45 min.)

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Enjoy listening to the book The Carpenter’s Gift by David Rubel, and learn how the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree relates to Habitat for Humanity. An organization representative will also discuss the impact Habitat has on Long Island. (45 min.) Registration is underway. (NENJ999)

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN
See any of our Children’s Librarians for more information and to sign up!
The Northport-East Northport Public Library is proud to announce a partnership with **Music and Memory**. This personalized music therapy program—an iPod with customized playlist—is designed to enhance the lives of people living with Alzheimer’s disease, dementia, and other degenerative neurological diseases. The program can help to relieve boredom, empower choice, enable memory, and provide avenues for genuine communication with family, friends, and caregivers through music-triggered memories.

How to participate:

- Stop by the Adult Reference Desk in either building or visit [www.nenpl.org](http://www.nenpl.org) to obtain the Music and Memory application and Playlist Questionnaire. This program is available to Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders only.
- A Reference Librarian will customize your playlist and load the music onto an iPod. The iPod will be checked out to your Northport-East Northport Public Library card.
- This is an ongoing program. You and the Reference Librarian will continue to work together to update your playlist.

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