An American Classic: 
It’s a Wonderful Life  
(N) Friday, December 1, 7:00 p.m. 
It’s a Wonderful Life is one of the most beloved motion pictures ever made. James Stewart and Frank Capra repeatedly proclaimed this holiday classic to be their personal favorite. Join Sal St. George as he examines the complex backstory of how the movie came to fruition.

Faux Stained Glass  
(EN) Monday, December 4, 6:30 p.m.  
Art teacher and artist Bonnie Schwartz will guide you in creating a faux stained glass art piece. Participants will choose from three different designs and a broad range of colors while they work with glass paints and faux leading. No prior art experience is necessary! A nonrefundable $12 materials fee is due at the time of registration. Registration is underway. Space is limited. NENA693

Opioid Overdose Prevention (OOP) Training  
(N) Tuesday, December 5, 7:00 p.m.  
LICADD will conduct training for all interested adults (18 and older) on how to recognize the signs of an opioid overdose and administer Naloxone (Narcan). This program is cosponsored by the Northport-East Northport Community Drug and Alcohol Task Force. Registration is underway. NENR130

Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project  
(N) Wednesday, December 6, 12:00-2:00 p.m.  
The Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project was created to assist veterans, service members, and their families to achieve and sustain personal health, wellness, and purpose in their post-service lives. Stop by and speak with a peer mentor to learn about free programs and services for Long Island veterans of all eras.

Winter Snowman Fondant Cake Decorating  
(N) Thursday, December 7, 3:00 p.m.  
Join The Baking Coach and create your own seven-inch round, edible masterpiece to take home and enjoy. This cake decorating workshop is designed to give you the ability to create a beautiful winter scene. A nonrefundable $5 materials fee is due at the time of registration. Registration is underway. Space is limited. NENA694

Scarf, Hat, Mitten & Glove Collection 
December 1-30  
Help local residents keep warm this winter by donating scarves, hats, mittens, and gloves. All sizes, child through adult, will be 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 December 30.

Current Events in Perspective  
(N) Tuesday, December 5, 1:00 p.m.  
Join Michael D’Innocenzo, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of History at Hofstra University, to explore significant national and international developments. All attending are welcome to share their views and pose questions.
FOR ADULTS

Antarctica: Journey to the Extreme
(N) Saturday, December 9, 2:00 p.m.
Environmental and fine art photographer Holly Gordon draws you into Antarctica with each click of her camera. She combines art with information that will bond you with our planet. She is published, exhibits frequently, and has won numerous awards. Join us as Ms. Gordon presents a digital slide program of the white continent—the harshest place on earth. Ms. Gordon’s photography will be on exhibit in the Northport Gallery throughout the month.

Well Woman Visit
(N) Monday, December 11, 2:00 p.m.
Dr. Gianni Rodriguez Ayala, OB/GYN at Northwell Health, will discuss the importance of a yearly well visit for women. This is the time for age-appropriate topics to be discussed and addressed, including fitness, nutrition, sexuality, psychosocial issues, and health/risk assessments.

Northport Arts Coalition presents South Indian Classical Music
(Wednesday, December 13, 7:00 p.m.)
Vocalist Shaaranya Pillai and mrdanga (percussionist) Aaron Paige perform traditional Karnatak compositions from South India, in a concert that will mesmerize and transport. Audience members will be introduced to the Indian raga (melodic) and tala (rhythmic) systems through hands-on participation and engagement.

SPIES! The Story of Long Island’s Culper Spy Ring
(N) Thursday, December 14, 7:00 p.m.
Relive the story of Long Island’s Setauket-based Culper Spy Ring through the photographs, maps, and documents included in the Three Village Historical Society’s SPIES! exhibit. Discover the names and documents included in the Three Village Historical Society’s SPIES! exhibit. Discover the names and details of the patriot spies across Long Island who assisted the vital efforts of Washington’s spies. Historian Beverly Tyler will be your guide.

Fireside Friday: HORNUCOPIA
(EN) Friday, December 15, 7:30 p.m.
Join Long Island's very own HORNUCOPIA for a special evening of holiday music arranged for French horn quartet. Enjoy audience participation and sing-alongs—you are likely to leave with a smile on your face and in a holiday mood!

FOR ADULTS

Long Island reSound Handbell Ensemble
(N) Sunday, December 17, 2:00 p.m.
Back for an encore performance, this local handbell ensemble will enhance your holiday season by performing a program of festive songs. Ringing on five octaves of Whitechapel handbells and three octaves of Malmark handchimes, the group will show you what handbells can really do!

Yoga with a Chair
(EN) Wednesdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31, 2:00 p.m.
Certified yoga instructor Joanne Carnesi will lead a four-week session of yoga using a chair assist. Each class will include warm up, practice time, and cool down/relaxation. Yoga with a chair can help with pain, fatigue, and balance, and the breathing techniques of yoga practices have been shown to ease stress and tension. Registration begins December 18. (NENA993)

Mah-Jongg Party
(N) Friday, January 12, 10:00 a.m.
You are invited to a mah-jongg party! Join instructor Jacqui Palatnik for a fun event featuring contests in different categories and prizes for the winners. Any level of skill is welcome, however some knowledge of the game is required. Registration begins December 22. (NENAT00)

Family & Friends CPR
(N) Thursday, January 18, 1:00 p.m.
Almost 70% of cardiac arrest victims receive CPR from bystanders. Suffolk County Department of Health’s Office of Health Education will be providing “Family & Friends CPR” to teach participants about the importance of learning CPR and acting quickly in an emergency situation to potentially save a life. This workshop is ideal for parents, grandparents, and caregivers. It is an orientation to CPR and is not a certifying or credentialing class. Registration begins December 29. (NENA701)

Blood Pressure Check
(Wednesday, December 6, 9:30-10:30 a.m., and
(EN) 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
A nurse from Visiting Nurse Service and the Northport Library will provide a free blood pressure check.

Medicare Counseling
(EN) Wednesday, December 13, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (NENA702)
(N) Tuesday, December 19, 9:30-11:30 a.m. (NENA703)
A volunteer from the Health Insurance Information, Counseling, and Assistance Program (HIICAP) will answer questions one-on-one about Medicare and supplementary insurance by appointment. Registration begins December 1.

A Note About Book Donations:
We greatly appreciate your gently-used donations of recently published books. However, we ask that no textbooks, magazines, cassette or VHS tapes, or discolored, stained, or torn books be donated. Please limit donations to one bag or box per visit. Thank you!

To find out if the Library is closed due to inclement weather:
Call either Library building for a recorded message:
(EN) 631-261-6930
(EN) 631-261-2313
or
Check the Library website: www.nenpl.org
American Museum of Natural History Discount Vouchers

Visit the American Museum of Natural History for a discounted price, courtesy of the Friends of the Library. The discount vouchers are $10 and include general admission plus one special exhibition, giant screen film, or Space Show. Discount vouchers are available, while supplies last, at the Circulation Desks in both Library buildings. Please pay by cash or check payable to the Friends of the Library. **NENY698**

Copies of the discussion books are available at the Northport Library Circulation Desk.

**Truth Be Told**
(EN) Thursday, December 7, 7:00 p.m.
Our nonfiction group will discuss Japan 1941: Countdown to Infamy by Eric Hotta.

**Page Turners**
(N) Thursday, December 14, 2:00 p.m.
The group will discuss A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman.

**Novel Ideas**
(N) Monday, December 18, 7:00 p.m.
The group will discuss Mudbound by Hillary Jordan.

**Literacy in Action**
(EN) Monday, December 4, 2:00 p.m.
Are you a Literacy Suffolk Volunteer? Connect with other volunteers who provide literacy services in our community to share techniques and practices that can help your literacy student succeed. Learn about new materials added to the Library’s Adult Learners collection as well as useful electronic databases and free online resources available to basic literacy and English language learners. **NENY203**

Intro to Virtual Reality: Eagle Flight
Open to students in grades 8-12
(13 years and older)
Please choose one 20-minute session
(EN) Tuesday, December 5, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, or 5:00 p.m.
Come experience PlayStation virtual reality and try the stunningly beautiful Eagle Flight game that features a first person perspective of an eagle flying over Paris! **NENY205**

**Shark Tank Jr.**
(N) Wednesday, December 6, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Entrepreneurial skills are going to be the competitive advantage for 21st century youth. Gain an understanding of how money and business work in the real world while developing the next greatest thing! **NENY203**

**Snack Around the World: Italy**
(N) Friday, December 8, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Come join our new monthly Friday night teen program where we try different snacks and drinks from around the world! This month we will explore the culinary treats of Italy! **NENY205**

**Star Wars Mini Building Sets**
(N) Saturday, December 9, 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Celebrate the release of Star Wars: The Last Jedi by building your favorite Star Wars character out of tiny plastic building blocks. **NENY203**

**Melted Snowman Cookies**
(N) Monday, December 11, 7:00-8:15 p.m.
Join the Baking Coach and create three melting snowmen out of butter-cream and fondant using assorted candy decorations. **NENY204**

**Monday Madness Book Club**
Open to students in grades 6-9
(N) Monday, December 18, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Start your week off right with the teen book club! This month we will be reading Fallout by Todd Strasser. Refreshments will be served. Please call the Northport Teen Center at 631-261-6930, extension 358 to register and request a copy of the book. **NENY205**

**Snorkel Out in the Gulf of Mexico**
Open to students in grades 8-11
(N) Tuesday, December 12, 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Come join the Science Club to dive deep into the Gulf of Mexico! **NENY203**

**Central Park in Winter**
Open to students in grades 8-11
(N) Wednesday, December 13, 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Join the Science Club as we explore the world of Central Park in the winter! **NENY203**

**Socrates Café**
(N) Wednesday, December 27, 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 thought (refreshments) will be served. **NENY205**

**Rocket League Competition**
(F) Friday, December 29, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Join your friends in this 2v2 Rocket League Competition. Prizes will be awarded to the top four players. **NENY207**

**Teen Volunteer Opportunities**
Open to students in grades 7-12.
You may choose one Volunteer Opportunity in addition to Team Advisory Board and Winter Wreaths for Atria.

**Winter Wreaths for Atria**
(EN) Saturday, December 2, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Drop into the East Northport Teen Center and make some winter craft wreaths that we will donate to Atria Senior Living. Earn one hour of volunteer credit.

**DogVinci Program Volunteers**
(N) Saturday, December 9, 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Assist children as they create an abstract painting in the style of DogVinci, a certified therapy dog. **NENY205**

**Teen Advisory Board:**
Animal Shelter Holiday Gifts
(EN) Wednesday, December 13, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Help create festive holiday gifts for local animal shelter cats and dogs. **NENY210**

**Chess Club Volunteers**
(N) Thursday, December 14, 6:45-8:00 p.m.
Earn volunteer credit as you help children learn how to play chess. A basic knowledge of the game is required. **NENY213**

**Wing-It Wednesday Volunteers**
(EN) Wednesday, December 27, 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Assist children with a craft and earn volunteer credit. **NENY213**

**Noon Year’s Eve Party Volunteers**
(F) Friday, December 29, 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Celebrate New Year’s Eve with a countdown to noon! Help children with games, crafts, music, snacks, and more to ring in the New Year. **NENY213**
FOR CHILDREN

Books a Poppin’
(N & EN) Fridays, December 1, 8, 10:00 a.m.
Children birth-5 years with adult; siblings welcome
Stop by for this drop-in storytime. We will read stories, sing songs, share rhymes and fingerplays, and have fun in this interactive program for families. (30 min.)

Block Party!
(N) Friday, December 1, 7:00 p.m.
Children 1-4 years with adult; siblings welcome
Playing with blocks helps children develop problem-solving skills, sharpens creativity and cooperation, and lets their imaginations run wild. Come have fun building with our unique variety of building materials. (45 min.)

Pajama Storytime
(EN) Tuesday, December 5, 7:00 p.m.
Children birth-5 years with adult; siblings welcome
Get your body moving in this evening family storytime. Enjoy action rhymes and songs as well as stories! (50 min.)

Tie-Dye Mice
(N) Thursday, December 7, 4:00 p.m.
Children in grades K-2
Kids will enjoy applying color burst paint that creates a tie-dye effect without the mess. Each participant will design his or her very own 16-inch stuffed mouse inspired by the classic book Mouse by Ellen Stoll Walsh. (45 min.) Registration is underway. (NENJ326)

Gingerbread Houses
(N) Saturday, December 16, 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 nonrefundable 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. (NENJ331)

Sensory Friendly Film: Elf
(EN) Sunday, December 17, 2:00 p.m.
Suggested for children 7 years and up with adult; siblings welcome
The lights are up, the sound is down, and kids are free to move around. Come see this holiday classic comedy and have your photo taken with our life-size Buddy cardboard cutout. All are welcome to attend. Rated PG. (95 min.)

Paws to Read
(N) Monday, December 18, 6:30, 6:45, 7:00, or 7:15 p.m.
Children in grades 1-5
Hot diggity dog! Fetch a good book and sign up for a 15-minute reading session with a certified therapy dog. Registration begins December 7. (NENJ333)

Go Global: Sweden
(N) Wednesday, December 13, 4:00 p.m.
Children in grades K-3
Come explore the culture of Sweden through games, art, stories, and more! (60 min.) Registration begins December 1. (NENJ329)

Chess Club
(N) Thursday, December 14, 7:00 p.m.
Children in grades 3-6
Chess teaches children foresight, helps 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.)

Winter Wing-It Wednesday
(EN) Wednesday, December 27, 11:00 a.m.
Children 3-10 years; adults and siblings welcome
Enjoy a room full of crafts to brighten up the cold winter days. (60 min.)

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Children 4 years and up with adult; siblings welcome
Celebrate New Year’s Eve with a countdown to noon! We will have games, crafts, music, snacks, and more to ring in the New Year. (60 min.)

FOR CHILDREN

Newbery Club
(N) Tuesday, December 19, 7:00 p.m.
Children in grades 4 and up
The club meets monthly through January 2018 when an election will be held to determine which book the members think is the best of the year. This month we will be considering Beyond the Bright Sea by Newbery Honor-winning author Lauren Wolk. Please contact the Library to reserve a copy of the book. New members are always welcome. (60 min.)

The Bookmark Spot
We have converted the Northport Children’s Room Museum Cove into an imaginative play airport. Children can pretend to be a pilot, flight attendant, air traffic controller, passenger, or tarmac marshal with costumes, props, and a crawl-in airplane. Travel-related puzzles, games, vehicles, and other manipulatives add to the educational experience.

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

The Northport-East Northport Public Library is participating in an exciting and ongoing program that is part of a national initiative: 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten. The goal of this program is to encourage parents and caregivers to read and share books with their infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. Sharing books with children is enjoyable and promotes a lifelong love of reading.

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is available to all Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders with children birth through five years (not yet in kindergarten). Please contact the Library for more information.

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**Gallery Exhibits**

**Northport Gallery**

*Antarctica: Journey to the Extreme*
by Holly Gordon

This photography exhibit will dazzle your senses with its chilling fragility and beauty.
Ms. Gordon will present a program on her Antarctica photography. See page 2 of the newsletter for more information.

**East Northport Gallery**

*Landscaped Visions*
by David Douglas

Oil paint on canvas and panel.

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**Speaking of Writing**

On October 27, 2017 the Teen Services Department of the Northport-East Northport Public Library welcomed acclaimed author Candace Fleming to its 26th Annual Speaking of Writing Distinguished Author Visit.

More than 200 sixth and seventh graders from the district’s middle schools learned about Ms. Fleming’s writing process. After her presentation, the students were able to ask questions and speak with the author.

View the complete list of distinguished authors who have participated in the Speaking of Writing program inspiring thousands of middle school students over the years: www.nenpl.org/teens/speakingofwriting

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This personalized music therapy program—an iPod with a 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 relieve boredom, empower choice, enable memory, and provide avenues for genuine communication with family, friends, and caregivers through music-triggered memories.

For more information about this innovative program, call the Adult Reference Desk or visit www.nenpl.org

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