“I Dwell in Possibility:”
Reading and Writing Poetry
(N) Saturday, March 2, 10:00 a.m.
In this comprehensive workshop, participants will learn to read and write poetry like published and professional poets. With the guidance of Dr. Elizabeth Macaluso, you will gain an appreciation for poetry, write your own, and participate in readings. The workshop will meet once a month through June.

Women of Pre-Code Hollywood
(N) Monday, March 4, 11:00 a.m.
During the Great Depression when film censorship was relaxed, Hollywood took a more honest look at American women. Filmmakers began depicting women as a vital part of the workforce: solving crimes, exposing rackets, and running companies. Join filmmaker and lecturer Glenn Andreiev as he discusses the actresses of pre-code Hollywood.

In the Footsteps of Ruth Reichl:
A New York City Food Odyssey
(N) Wednesday, March 6, 7:00 p.m.
Ruth Reichl was the New York Times food critic from 1993-1999, famous for her populist reviews of restaurants that everyone could afford and enjoy. Join Pat Sommerstad and “visit” seven of the nearly 400 restaurants—and their neighborhoods—that Ruth discovered and reviewed.

Independent Film Spotlight:
The Bookshop
(N) Thursday, March 7, 2:00 p.m.
In an East Anglian town in England in 1959, Florence Green decides—against polite but ruthless opposition—to open a bookshop. Rated PG. 113 minutes.

Pure Joy with Paige Patterson
(N) Saturday, March 9, 2:00 p.m.
Long Island’s own Paige Patterson is proud to debut her crowd-pleasing concert entitled “Pure Joy.” If you love Michael Bublé, Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, Sam Smith, Carole King, Motown, and Santana, then this is your concert!

Buster Keaton:
“The Great Stoneface”
(N) Sunday, March 10, 1:30 p.m.
Film Historian Larry Wolff brings you the story of Buster Keaton, a giant of silent comedy. Learn about his humble start in vaudeville, his early teaming with comic giant “Fatty” Arbuckle, his rise to his own studio, and then his personal and career downfall. Experience some of his greatest silent short films.

Becoming American:
Eastern European Jewish Americans
(N) Monday, March 11, 10:00 a.m.
Michael D’Innocenzo, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of History at Hofstra University, will present the second part of a four-part series exploring the topic of immigration. Through a documentary film screening followed by a moderated discussion, explore the immigration of Eastern European Jews to America, drawn here by the promise of religious freedom and economic opportunity.

Northport Arts Coalition presents
North Indian Classical Music
(N) Wednesday, March 13, 7:00 p.m.
Guitarist Dee Harris will perform North Indian classical music using his custom modified 20-string Indian slide guitar. Joining Mr. Harris will be Nitim Mohan on tabla (a traditional drum of India).

AARP Free State and Federal Income Tax Preparation
Registration for all March appointments is underway:
(EN) Thursdays, March 7, 14, 21, 28, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 a.m., or 12:00 p.m. NENA794
(N) Fridays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 a.m., or 12:00 p.m. NENA795

Registration for all April appointments begins March 15:
(EN) Thursdays, April 4, 11, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 a.m., or 12:00 p.m. NENA802
(N) Fridays, April 5, 12, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 a.m., or 12:00 p.m. NENA803
FOR ADULTS

Brain Fitness Workshop
(N) Thursday, March 14, 2:00 p.m.
The Long Island Alzheimer’s Foundation Brain Fitness Workshops are designed for those individuals of any age who want to maintain and enhance their cognitive abilities. Activities include word retrieval, music trivia, and recall of famous people and places. Registration begins March 1. (NENA184)

Caregiver Ambassador Program
(N) Thursday, March 14, 3:00-4:00 p.m.
A Caregiver Ambassador from Parker Jewish Institute will be in the lobby to meet with caregivers of people with Alzheimer’s disease or another dementia. The licensed social worker is trained to assist with information and referrals regarding caregiver programs, medical care, respite care, benefits, and support groups.

Ed Ryan: Irish Tunes & Tales
(EN) Friday, March 15, 7:00 p.m.
Singer/songwriter Ed Ryan takes you on a musical trip to the Emerald Isle, performing Irish songs both traditional and contemporary and presenting them all with the lilt of Irish laughter.

Spring into Origami
(N) Tuesday, March 19, 1:00 p.m.
Turn sheets of paper into magical creations with just a few simple folds! Origami specialist MaryAnn Schebelin-Dawson will show you how to make some beautiful seasonal decorations. Bring a shoe box to take your models home. Registration begins March 1. (NENA803)

Senior Options & Resources in the Town of Huntington
(EN) Tuesday, March 19, 7:00 p.m.
Melissa-Robyn Levitan from the Town of Huntington Outreach Services will describe the extensive resources available to seniors.

Lemon-Almond Ricotta Biscuits and Artichoke Bruschetta
(N) Friday, March 29, 6:00 p.m.
Everyone will make and take home 10-12 lemon-almond ricotta biscuits and an artichoke bruschetta. While you’re enjoying this delicious pair, you can converse about the cooking process. Registration begins March 29. (NENA807)

On-Your-Own Train Trip to NYC
(N) Saturday, April 6, 8:19 a.m.
Departure from Northport Station, Round Trip $12 per person. Meet a Library staff member at the station house at 8:55 a.m. (transfer at Huntington). Your return ticket is good on any Northport-bound train that leaves Penn Station before midnight. Registration begins March 6. (NENA805)

GRASP Home Study Program Orientation
(EN) Tuesday, March 26, 7:00 p.m.
The GRASP Home Study Program will help you to prepare for the New York State TASC (formerly GED) Exam. Attend this orientation conducted by instructors from Western Suffolk BOCES to see if you are ready to get your GED diploma. Attendance is free. The GRASP program is for adults 21 years and older. Registration begins March 26. (NENA183)

FOR ADULTS

Computer Classes

Introduction to iPad and iPhone
(N) Monday, March 4, 7:00 p.m.
Learn about the iPad and iPhone hardware, settings, and operating system. See how to access the Internet and email, download and use apps, and more. Registration is underway. (NENC285)

SeniorNet: Preventing Elder Fraud
(N) Tuesday, March 12, 2:00 p.m.
Some of the greatest threats to seniors are scams and financial fraud. Attend this presentation to gain awareness and learn how to protect yourself. Registration is underway. (NENC286)

Introduction to WordPress
(EN) Thursday, March 21, 7:00 p.m.
Create your own website in WordPress. Learn how to create pages, add text, link to other websites, and implement email functions. For intermediate and advanced computer users. Registration is underway. (NENC287)

Cool Apps for Your Android Device
(N) Tuesday, March 26, 7:00 p.m.
Learn about cool and useful Android apps. See where to find apps and how to make them work for you. Bring your Android device, or just come and listen. Registration is underway. (NENC288)

Microsoft Excel Classes
(N) Monday, April 1, 7:00 p.m.
Introduction to Excel (NENC289)
(N) Monday, April 8, 7:00 p.m.
Intermediate Excel (NENC290)
(N) Monday, April 15, 7:00 p.m.
Advanced Excel (NENC291)
Registration is underway.

Book Groups

Truth Be Told
(EN) Thursday, March 7, 7:00 p.m.

Page Turners
(N) Thursday, March 21, 2:00 p.m.
A Piece of the World by Christina Baker.

Novel Ideas
(N) Monday, March 25, 7:00 p.m.
White Chrysanthemum by Mary Lynn Bracht.

Short Story Central
(N) Tuesday, April 9, 7:00 p.m.
People’s Love Affairs by D. Wystan Owen. Stories will be available for pick up beginning March 1.

FOR ADULTS

Friday Movies

Bohemian Rhapsody
(Fridays, (N) March 1, and (EN) March 8, 2:00 p.m.
Rated PG-13. 135 min.

A Star Is Born
(Fridays, (N) March 15, and (EN) March 22, 2:00 p.m.
Rated R. 136 minutes.

Closed captioning will be displayed.

AARP Smart Driver Course
(N) Mondays, March 11 & 18, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Registration is underway at the Northport Library for AARP members ($25 for nonmembers) payable to AARP by check or money order at registration. (NENA805)

Defensive Driving
(EN) Saturday, March 23, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
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(N) Friday, March 8, 7:00 p.m.
Are you a book clubber? Wondering what else to read? Are you reading a book you just can’t put down? Or do you have a favorite book that you read over and over? If so, come to NENPL READS. Bring your friends, meet other book clubbers, and let’s talk about books. Registration is underway. (NEN195)

Medicare Counseling
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Annual Library Vote
Tuesday, April 2, 2019  9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

The Library’s annual vote will be for two purposes: to vote on the Library budget for 2019/2020 and to elect one trustee whose term will commence on July 1, 2019 as a result of the expiration of the term of office presently held by Jacqueline Elsas.

Important Voting Facts:

Public Information Meeting —
Tuesday, March 19, 7:30 p.m.
Northport Library Community Room

Who Can Vote — Anyone who is
1. at least 18 years of age;
2. a citizen of the United States;
3. a resident of the Northport-East Northport School District for at least 30 days;
4. registered to vote.

If you have not voted within four years in a general, school, or library election, registration is required. You need to register prior to March 22 in person or by mail with the Suffolk County Board of Elections in Yaphank. Applications are available in both library buildings. Registration for only library and school district elections may be made in person prior to March 22 at the office of the School District Clerk, 158 Laurel Avenue, Northport, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. any day that school is in session.

Absente Ballot Applications are available in both library buildings.

Cultural Anchor

Libraries are the hub for civic engagement where people with different backgrounds, passions, and interests may take part in a living democratic culture. Libraries have an expansive role in modern communities. They are the creators of social infrastructure and the main place to interact with people from other generations. Author Chris Bohjalian summarized it best when he said, “It’s not merely that libraries connect us to books. It’s that they connect us to one another.”

A recent survey of United States voters commissioned by the Online Computer Library Center (OCLC), the American Library Association (ALA), and its Public Library Association (PLA) division offered valuable insight into current voters’ perceptions of public libraries. Analysis showed that more than half the voters viewed the public library as an essential local institution, a source of community pride, a place to advance education, and that libraries enhance the quality of life of any community.

This budget proposal reflects the Library Board’s long-standing commitment to provide exceptional library service to the community. As dedicated stewards, we have carefully and thoroughly evaluated each component of the budget to effectively allocate resources in support of the Library’s mission to inform, educate, and culturally enrich the residents of all ages through the selection, organization, promotion, and dissemination of all forms of expression. This budget proposal ensures the continuation of our standard of excellence while complying with the property tax levy limit set by New York State.

The bedrock of a civil society begins at the library—a place to learn, strategize, and connect with other people.

Library Board of Trustees
Margaret Hartough, Chairperson
Georganne White  Elizabeth McGrail  Jacqueline Elsas  Judith Bensimon

Library Activities 2018
23,081 residents in the community have Library cards
421,111 visits were made to the Library
6,085 visits were made to the Library Courtyard
The Library has
104,843 books for adults
85,936 books for children
55,869 DVDs, compact discs, audiobooks, and Playaways

Our programs entertained, educated, and enriched
12,299 adults
2,181 teens
15,085 children
158,740 reference questions were answered
84,944 asked by adults
7,309 asked by teens
66,487 asked by children
390,018 items were purchased from DVDs, CDs, Audiobooks
390,018 items were interlibrary loaned
390,018 items were purchased from Library website
68,725 items were purchased from the Library Café
345,402 visits were made to the Library website

Proposed Library Operating Budget 2019/2020

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FOR TEENS

Registration for Teen Programs and Volunteer Opportunities begins March 4.

Wednesday Night Gaming: “Mario Kart”
(N) Wednesday, March 6, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, or 7:00 p.m. (NENY447)
(N) Wednesday, March 13, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, or 7:00 p.m. (NENY448)
Take a break and play the Nintendo Switch game “Mario Kart.”

Snack Around the World: Ireland
(N) Friday, March 8, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Come join our monthly Friday night teen program where we try different snacks and beverages from around the world. This month we will explore the culinary treats of Ireland. (NENY449)

Teen Writers Workshop
Open to students in grades 8-12
(N) Friday, March 15, 7:30-8:45 p.m.
Do you love to write? Join fellow writers to discuss your ideas and get feedback on your work. New members are always welcome. (NENY450)

St. Patrick’s Day Pretzel Bark
(N) Saturday, March 16, 2:00-3:15 p.m.
Create pretzel bark using candy, sprinkles, and of course lots of chocolate! Take a box of pretzels in a bakery box to enjoy with friends and family for St. Patrick’s Day. (NENY451)

Nintendo Night: “Metroid”
(N) Friday, March 22, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
If you love Nintendo, you will not want to miss this monthly meet up. We will discuss Nintendo games, new and old, make fun gamer crafts, and participate in gaming competitions for prizes! This month we will celebrate the classic sci-fi series “Metroid.” (NENY452)

Socrates Café
(N) Wednesday, March 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 for thought (refreshments) will be served. (NENY453)

Tea Volunteer Opportunities
Open to students in grades 7-12
You may choose one volunteer opportunity in addition to Teen Advisory Board and Newbery Club Volunteers.

Bookmark Reception Volunteers
(N) Tuesday, March 5, 6:45-8:15 p.m.
Volunteers will serve refreshments and help clean up at this reception for Design a Bookmark Contest winners. (NENY454)

Teen Advisory Board: No-Sew Blankets for Shelter Pets
(EN) Monday, March 11, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Make no-sew fleece blankets for dogs and cats that will be donated to local animal shelters. (NENY455)

Newbery Club Volunteers
Open to students in grades 7-8
(N) Tuesday, March 19, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Be the first to read advance copies of new books and participate in informal book discussions. The club meets monthly through January 2020 when an election will be held to determine which book members think is the best of the year. New members are always welcome. (NENY456)

Monster Glow Jar Volunteers
(N) Wednesday, March 20, 6:45-8:15 p.m.
Assist children in grades 3-5 as they create their own glow jars. (NENY457)

Chess Club Volunteers
(N) Thursday, March 21, 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. (NENY458)

Meals on Wheels Placemats
(N) Saturday, March 23, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Drop into the Northport Teen Center and decorate some placemats that will be donated to Meals on Wheels. Earn one hour of volunteer credit. (NENY459)

DIY Birdfeeder Volunteers
(N) Thursday, March 28, 3:45-5:15 p.m.
Assist children in grades K-2 as they make and decorate a birdfeeder. (NENY455)

FOR CHILDREN

Registration for the following Series Programs begins March 7.
(One series program per child please)

Programs for families

Sing and Play
(EN) Mondays, March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 10:00 a.m. (NENJ645)
Children 3-5 years with adult; siblings welcome
Sing songs and rhymes while using scarves, bells, and hoops that engage children in musical and physical activity to reinforce early literacy skills and foster a love of language. (30 min.)

Storytime Stretch
(N) Mondays, March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 10:00 a.m.
Children 2-4 years with adult; siblings welcome
Enjoy an evening of song, dance, and storytelling as we celebrate Saint Paddy’s Day! (30 min.)

Lucky Charms Storytime
(EN) Tuesday, March 5, 7:00 p.m.
Children birth-5 years with adult; siblings welcome
Leaping leprechauns and shimmery shamrocks! Enjoy an evening of song, dance, and storytelling as we celebrate Saint Paddy’s Day! (30 min.)

Newbery Club
(N) Wednesday, March 19, 7:00 p.m.
Children in grades 4 years and up
Be the first to read advance copies of new books and participate in informal book discussions. The club meets monthly. New members are welcome. (NENY456)

Block Party!
(N) Wednesday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.
Children 1-4 years with adult; siblings welcome
Children have fun building with a variety of blocks and playing with other children. (45 min.)

Monster Glow Jar
(N) Wednesday, March 20, 7:00 p.m.
Children in grades 3-5
Kids can light up the night with the glow-in-the-dark monster they create with pompoms, tulle, glow sticks, glitter, and a glass jar. (60 min.) Registration begins March 7. (NENJ650)

Sensory Fun
(EN) Thursday, March 21, 11:00 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 March 7. (NENJ651)

SAT Preparation Workshop
Open to students in grades 10-12
(EN) Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18, May 2, 6:15-8:45 p.m.
Registration begins March 13. (NENJ646)
Students can prepare for the SAT exams with teachers Jason Bernstein and Jay Berger. A nonrefundable check for $114 payable to the Northport-East Northport Public Library must be paid within 3 days of registration. Payment includes the workbook for the SAT exam. Your class placement is not complete until payment is received.
**FOR CHILDREN**

**Chess Club**

(N) Thursday, March 21, 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.)

**Paws to Read**

(N) Friday, March 22, 6:30, 6:45, 7:00, or 7:15 p.m.
Children in grades 1-5
Fetch a good book and sign-up for a 15-minute reading session with a certified therapy dog. Registration begins March 7. (NENJ653)

**DIY Birdfeeders**

(N) Thursday, March 28, 4:00 p.m.
Children in grades K-2
Create a mini-birdfeeder using bird seed and other ingredients, just in time for spring. Registration begins March 7. (NENJ654)

**The Great Playdate**

(EN) Saturday, March 30, 10:00 a.m.
Children 1-4 years with adult; siblings welcome
The second annual Great Playdate is being celebrated at libraries all across Suffolk County. Organize a get-together with friends or meet new ones while children enjoy an open-ended play environment with a variety of play stations. (45 min.)

**Quick Reads**

(EN) Monday, March 18, 7:00 p.m.
This informal reading group is designed for intermediate English language learners. Pick up this month’s reading selection at the East Northport Circulation Desk.

**Everyday Spanish**

(EN) Tuesdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, 16, 30, 4:00 p.m.
This Spanish conversation course will focus on mastering key vocabulary words to help you start conversing in Spanish immediately. Great for both beginning and intermediate Spanish language learners. Registration begins March 1. (NENR195)

**Dynamic English**

(EN) Wednesdays, March 6, 13, 27, April 3, 10, 7:00 p.m.
Develop your English vocabulary, grammar, reading, and pronunciation with this friendly English conversation group. Registration is underway. (NENR190)

**Destinos Telenovela**

(EN) Thursdays, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18, 23:30 p.m.
This Spanish soap opera immerses you in an entertaining story while viewing everyday situations with native speakers from Mexico, Spain, Argentina, and Puerto Rico. Registration begins March 1. (NENR197)

**Paws to Read**

(EN) Wednesday, Mar. 20, 5:00 p.m.
All are welcome!

**Language Learning & Literacy**

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Develop your English vocabulary, grammar, reading, and pronunciation with this friendly English conversation group. Registration is underway. (NENR190)

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