FOR ADULTS



Plaza Theatrical presents an outdoor concert in the Library Courtyard

A Salute to the Music of Tony Bennett

(N) Wednesday, August 19, 7:30 p.m.

Take a walk down memory lane with Plaza Theatrical's musical tribute to the man Sinatra called "the greatest singer in the world." The evening's repertoire will include many favorites such as Rags to Riches, The Best is Yet to Come, Stranger in Paradise, and of course, I Left My Heart in San Francisco. In the event of rain, the concert will be held in the Library's Community Room. Registration is underway at either library building or online. (NENA068)

Defensive Driving

(N) Monday, August 24 & Wednesday, August 26 **7:00-10:00 p.m.** Fee: \$36

Applications for this point/insurance reduction safety course are available August 1 at both library buildings.

AARP Driver Safety Program

(N) Monday, September 14, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Register August 15 at Northport Library. (NENA077)

(EN) Monday, September 21 & Wednesday, September 23, 7:00-10:00 p.m. Register August 22 at East Northport Library. (NENA078)

AARP's program is a refresher course designed especially for motorists age 50 and older. There is a \$14 fee (\$12 for AARP members) payable to AARP by check or money order only at registration. A Northport-East Northport Library card is required to register.

of Music

7:00-8:30 p.m.

Kayaking on Long Island (EN) Monday, August 24, 7:30 p.m.

one of the most popular sports of the new millennium With more than 1,600 miles

and rivers, Long Island is an ideal place to kayak. It is a tranquil, fun activity and provides excellent upper body and aerobic exercise. Nick DeNezzo, president of the Long Island Kayak Club, will talk about the many different types of kayaks and which one is right for you. He will cover basic strokes and rescues, how to choose equipment, and where to kayak. No registration

Macintosh Basics

(EN) Tuesday, August 4, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Learn more about your Apple computer An Apple-certified trainer will explain the fundamentals of your computer including the Mac interface, system preferences, and Macintosh mail. No registration required.

Computer Fourth Grade

(EN) Thursday, August 6, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Register August 1 at either library building or online This hands-on class provides an overview of Windows file management. (NENC012)

Video Killed the Radio

Videos (N) Monday, August 3

Author and media

specialist Clive Young is back with a fast-paced multimedia presentation that traces the development of music videos from movie shorts of yesteryear to today's big budget music clips. The program will be illustrated by dozens of music videos from all musical genres. As a highlight, Mr. Young profiles the top music video directors, showing how artists such as Dali and Magritte, and classic films like Apocalypse Now and Casablanca influenced their visions and techniques. Special attention will be paid to the golden age of music videos, which began on August 1, 1981, when MTV played its very first clip. "Video Killed The Radio Star" by the Buggles. Clive Young is Senior Editor of the music industry trade magazine Pro Sound News and is the author of Crank It Up, a book about the concert business. Both adults and teens are welcome. Registration is now underway at either library building or online. (NENY066)

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Kayaking has become

of coastline including ocean, bays,

Computer Fifth Grade

(EN) Tuesday, August 11, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Register August 3 at either library building

Enhance your skills using the Windows desktop in this workshop for more advanced users. (NENC014)

Working with Your Digital Photos

(N) Thursday, August 13, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Register August 4 at either library building or online.

In this hands-on workshop you will learn how to use Paint Shop Pro, an image-editing program that allows you to resize, crop, adjust light levels, and more. Learn how to organize, name, and save your pictures. (NENC049)

FOR ADULTS

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Jazz Pianist Rannv Reeve (N) Wednesday, August 12, 7:00 p.m.

The Northport Arts Coalition, in cooperation with the Library, presents an evening of jazz improvisation, standards, and original pieces performed by jazz pianist Ranny Reeve, his students, and other guests. No regis-

Taproot Writers Group

(EN) Mondays, September 14, 21, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Do you want to write? Taproot Writing Group welcomes new and returning members at a new time for the Fall 2009 semester. We will meet on Mondays from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the East Northport Library. Mark your calendars—our first meeting is Monday, September 14!

It is never too late to begin to tell your life's stories! If you are new to writing, we will help you get started. The cost for the ten-session series is \$70. Registration forms will be available at the first session.

Barcode Basics

All items added to our print and media collections at the Library are identified as being owned by the Library and include our address, a pocket for a due date slip, a call number label to locate the item, and most importantly a 14-digit barcode such as 30605001884832.

Barcodes are affixed using a specially designed template to facilitate scanning the item at check-out The placement of barcodes is set by the template, depending on the size of the item, and therefore, on occasion, barcodes may cover a picture or descriptive information.

Northport Gallery Exhibit:

"From Nature to You" Paintings and Sculptures by Emily and Paul Moreno Paul Moreno is a retired Avionic systems engineer.

Emily Gray Moreno is a retired early childhood educator. Once retired, each ventured into the world of creative arts (Paul as a sculptor of stone and wood and Emily as a painter of watercolor, ink and pastels.) They have taken art classes at Elderhostel and Northport Adult Education programs, and continue to study at The Art League of Long Island. Their work has been on display in numerous exhibits on Long Island and in Naples, Florida.

Inspired by the color and beauty of our natural world, the Morenos have based this exhibit on the bounties of nature. Paul's sculptures focus on flora and fauna. Emily features many still life paintings of flowers, fruits, and vegetables.

Art Talk

(N) Thursday, August 6, 7:30 p.m.

Emily and Paul Moreno will discuss their exhibit in the Northport Gallery. Refreshments will be served.

A New Gateway to Genealogy The Northport-East Northport Public Library is

now a gateway to the vast genealogy microfilm and microfiche collection of the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. Consult this collection for resources such as:

- Birth & marriage records
 Obituaries
- Naturalization petitions Court documents

Church records

Town records

Directories

Local histories

- International files
- Family histories Military pension requests
 Name indexes

To access the Family History Library Catalog, go to the Library's website at **www.nenpl.org**. Click on **Services** and then on **Local History**. The Family History Library charges a \$6 fee for each reel of film and \$1 for each sheet of fiche. Payment may be

made by credit card or through a PayPal account.

A Reference Librarian will place the loan request. You will be notified when the materials arrive for use in the library. Please ask a Librarian for help using this valuable service.

Listen Up with an

Audiobook Download

You've seen the movie, now listen to the book. The SuffolkWave Digital Library offers a number of bestselling titles which have gone from print to the big screen and are now available for download to your PV, MP3 player, iPod, or burned to CD. Check out a few titles this

The Soloist by journalist Steve Lopez is the story of two men, an unlikely friendship, and a violin.

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button and Other Jazz Age Tales by F. Scott Fitzgerald begins with the reading of a diary kept by an extraordinary man who gets vounger with time.

Charlie Wilson's War by George Crile tells how a maverick congressman from east Texas conspired with a rogue CIA operative to launch the biggest, meanest, and most successful covert operation in the agency's history.

The Bourne Ultimatum by Robert Ludlum follows the world's two deadliest spies in the ultimate showdown, an elaborate trap from which only one can

The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd is the uplifting tale of a 14-year-old girl, her family, and civil The Princess Diaries by Meg Cabot features

Manhattan-born Amelia Mignonette Girmaldi Thermopolis Ranaldo, princess in the making, The Time Traveler's Wife by Audrey Niffenegger

other slipped fluidly in and out of time?" To access hundreds of titles in the SuffolkWaveDigital Library, go to the Library's website at **www.nenpl.org** and click on the SuffolkWave link.

asks the question, "What if a married couple experienced

a life in which one person remained constant while the

EXPRESS YOURSELF Express Yourself @ Your Library this summer by participating Q Your

in our Teen Summer Reading Program which continues through August 12. Students entering grades 6-12 are invited to come to the Library and read for prizes as well as take part in special programs offered throughout the summer. Earn one Book Buck for every age-appropriate book that you read

FOR TEENS

Come to the Teen Centers in either building to obtain your "Read and Rate Forms," and start collecting your Book Bucks. Or, if you prefer, submit your reviews online by going to the Teen Services webpage at www.nenpl.org/teens. Book Bucks can be picked up at the Reference Desk.

Final Prize Giveaway:

Thursday, August 13 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. at the East Northport Library Redeem your Book Bucks for some really great prizes! Keaeem your book basks is.

There may still be openings in the following programs. Registration is underway at the East Northport Library or online at www.nenpl.org. Please use your Teen Library card to register.

Chocolate Treats

(EN) Tuesday, July 28, 3:30-4:30 p.m. (NENY064)

Herbal Paper Making (EN) Wednesday, July 29, 7:00-8:00 p.m. (NENY065)

Video Killed the Radio Star: The History of Music Videos



(N) Monday, August 3, 7:00-8:30 p.m. (NENY066)

Mangia: Paninis & Italian Soda (N) Tuesday, August 4, **3:00-4:00 p.m.** (NENY067)

John W. Engeman Theater Tour Wednesday, August 5, 3:00-4:00 p.m. (NENY068)

Mosaic Picture Frame (EN) Thursday, August 6, 3:00-4:00 p.m. (NENY069)

Summer Book Chat and Chow

(EN) Monday, August 10, 7:00-8:00 p.m. (NENY070)

Printmaking Workshop (EN) Tuesday, August 11, 7:00-8:00 p.m. (NENY071)

Summer Fruit Smoothies II

(EN) Thursday, August 13, **3:30-4:30 p.m.** (NENY072)

Study Smarts (N) Wednesday, August 19, 3:00-5:00 p.m. (NENY073)

SAT/PSAT Preparation Workshop

(N) Thursdays, September 10, 17, 24, & October 1, 6:15-8:45 p.m.

Register at the East Northport Library or online from home beginning August 20 at 9 a.m.

High school students can prepare for the fall SAT/PSAT exams with teachers Barbara White and Donald Loeffler. A non-refundable check for \$100 payable to the Northport-East Northport Public Library must be brought to the East Northport Library within three days of registration. Your registration is not complete until payment is received. (NENY075)

Check It Out: Attend MIT Online for Free!

Would you like to get a head start on school or learn something new, just for the fun of it? Check out MITOPENCOURSEWARE, available from The Massachusettes Institute of Technology at ocw.mit.edu. The website allows you to access lecture notes, exams, and videos from 1,900 courses taught at MIT. View videos of MIT competitions like the Solar Decathlon, watch as a bullet smashes through a rose dipped in nitrogen, and learn about physics as a professor explains pendulums by swinging across his classroom.

Attention Incoming 6th Graders Don't forget to bring a parent or guardian to the

Library before school begins to upgrade your Library card. Your new Teen card will entitle you to use the computers in Teen Services and to sign up for Teen programs. Our Teen collections include fiction, nonfiction, graphic novels, biographies, audiobooks, and magazines. Come in and check out our collection, use the computers, and relax in our comfortable Teen Centers.

Students:

building to pick up Packing for College **101**. It's a handy guide for what you need to bring with you to school.

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Wednesday

Friday Movies for Adults

Tuesday

Children's Programs

Pink Panther II

Board Game Bonanza II

Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm

Kayaking on Long Island

Monday

(N) Friday, August 7, 1:30 p.m. When legendary treasures from around the world are stolen, Clouseau (Steve Martin) is assigned to the case. Rated PG. 92 min.

Sunday

Library Closed

Inkheart

(N) Friday, August 21, 1:30 p.m. When Mo Folchart reads a story aloud, the characters leap off the page—literally. Rated PG. 106 min.



Display Tables in the Libraries

Thursday

Featured in August: Water: $H_2O = Life$

The Intrepid on 9/1 Registration begins for Computer Fourth Grade on 8/6 Applications available for Defensive Driving on 8/24 & 8/26

Friday

Saturday

Registration begins

at Northport for

Book-A-Trip to

Program on 9/14

*Picture Book Art:

Saturday Afternoon

Neverland (EN) 2 pm

Registration begins

Saturday Afternoon

@ the Movies: Gordy

on 9/21 & 9/23

at East Northport for

AARP Driver Safety Program

@ the Movies: Return to

Saxton Freymann (N) 10 am

Saturday Afternoon

@ the Movies: Kung Fu Panda (EN) 2 pm *Fun with Music and Poetry (EN) 10 am

Computer Fifth Grade from 8/17-8/22 *What's For Dinner? on 8/11 Blood Pressure Check Family Craft (N) 2 pm egistration begins for Working (N) 9:30-10:30 am Mother Goose (EN) 10 am Theater Games (N) 10 am with Your Digital Photos on 8/13 (EN) 11 am-12 noon *Mosaic Picture Frame for Teens (EN) 3 pm Magic Workshop (EN) 3 pm *Be Creative with Your Body Sing Along with Irv (N) 10 am Saturday Afternoon Movie: Pink Panther II Computer Fourth Grade @ the Movies: (N) 1:30 pm rintmaking (EN) 3 pm (EN) 7 pm Bedtime Stories (EN) 2 pm Meet the Author: Rebecca Stea *Mangia: Paninis & Italian Soda *Kaplan SAT-ACT Combo for Teens (N) 3 pm Family Fun Time (EN) 2 pm ohn W. Engeman Theater Tour Summer Reading Club ends Scoring Seminar (N) 7 pm Video Killed the Radio Star or Teens 3 pm Pajama Storytime (EN) 7 pm Chess Club (N) 7 pm The History of Music Videos Sing Around the Campfire Macintosh Basics (EN) 7 pm Art Talk (N) 7:30 pm *Teen Volunteer *Picture Book Art: *Book-A-Trip to Registration begins Opportunity: Reading Walter Wick (EN) 10 at Northport for Montauk Buddies II (N) 10:30 am AARP Driver Safety

Computer Fifth Grade departs 9 am Speed Reading for Kids (EN) 10 am Family Fun Time Book Buddies (N) 11 am N) 3 & 4:30 pm Summer Reading Club Show Summer Reading Club Show: Ning-It Wednesday Storytime Summer Fruit Smoothies II ibrary Laser Spectacular Library Laser Spectacular Library Closed (EN) 3 pm or Teens (EN) 3:30 pm orthport Arts Coalition pr Book Bucks Prize Giveaway for Optical Illusions (EN) 3 pm Summer Book Chat and Chow Printmaking Workshop for Teens Jazz Pianist Ranny Reeve Teens (EN) 5-6 pm

or Teens (EN) 7 pm N) 7 pm Working with Your Digital Summer Reading Club Show: Summer Reading Club Show: *Open for Discussion: Photos (N) 7 pm Library Laser Spectacular pictures of hollis woods Library Laser Spectacular Newbery Club (N) 7 pm (EN) 7:30 pm (N) 7 pm *Teen Volunteer Opportunity: Wing-It

Wednesday (N) 9:45 a Down on the Farm with Dara Scrapbooking for Kids Ving-It Wednesday Crafts Mr. Mouse's Show lorthport and online for N) 10 am (EN) 10 am (N) 10 am SAT/PSAT Preparation Workshop Library Closed Theater Games (EN) 3 pm Storycrafters Babies Boogie (EN) 10 am Teen Volunteer Opportunity: Movie: Inkheart (N) 1:30 pm

(N) 3 pm (N) 6:30 pm *I Left My Heart: A Salute to the *Board Game Bonanza Music of Tony Bennett (N) 7 pm (N) 7:30 pm Chess Club (N) 7 pm

Attention College-Bound

Are you packing to go off to college? Stop by the Teen Center at either library

N = Northport Library **EN = East Northport Library** Italic type indicates Children's Programs.

Library Closed

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*Pre-registration or tickets required for this program. Registration for Children's Programs is limited to Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders. Preference is given to Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders for Adult and Teen programs. accommodations because of a disability, please let us know.

Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm

Study Smarts for Teens

The Northport-East Northport Public Library encourages all patrons to participate in programs and activities. If you require any special

Pajama Storytime (N) 7 pm



Begin at the

doctor, looking for a contractor, checking on a prescription drug, or buying a car, you will want dependable information to make an informed choice. These books

The Consumer Action Handbook

The Consumer Advocate's Guide to Home Inspection: Avoiding The Nightmare of Purchasing a Money Pit by Barry Stone

Consumer Drug Reference

Consumer Guide to Home Energy Savings by Jennifer Thorne Amann, Alex Wilson, and Katie Ackerly

Consumer Guide to Solar Energy by Scott Sklar and Kenneth G. Sheinkopf

Consumer Rights and Remedies: Legal Tips for Savvy Purchases of Goods, Services and Credit by Marc R. Lieberman

The Consumer's Guide to Effective Environmental Choices by Michael Brower, Warren Leon, and The Union of Concerned Scientists

Disease Management Sourcebook: Basic Consumer Health Information about Coping with Chronic and Serious Illnesses edited by Joyce Brennfleck Shannon

Gotcha Capitalism: How Hidden Fees Rip You off Every Day and What You Can Do about It by Bob Sullivan

The Johns Hopkins Consumer Guide to Medical Tests by Simeon Margolis

The Lemon Law Bible: Everything the Smart Consumer Needs to Know about Automobile Law by Steve Lehto

Lerner's Consumer Guide to Health Care: How to Get the Best Health Care for Less by Paul Lerner and Julie Lerner

Michael Finney's Consumer Confidential: The Money-Saving Secrets They Don't Want You to Know by Michael Finney

Scam-Proof Your Life: 377 Smart Ways to Protect You & Your Family from Ripoffs, Bogus Deals & Other Consumer Headaches by Sid Kirchheimer

ShopSmart (magazine)

The Smart Consumer's Guide to Home Buying by Peter A. Schkeeper, Jack P. Friedman, and Jack C. Harris

Smart Shopping: Shopping Green by Jeanne Nagle

Surgery Sourcebook: Basic Consumer Health Information about Common Inpatient and Outpatient Surgeries edited by Amy L. Sutton

Take This Book to the Hospital with You: A Consumer Guide to Surviving Your Hospital Stay by Charles B. Inlander and Ed Weiner

Understanding Consumer Rights by Nicolette Parisi and Marc Robinson

Unscrewed: The Consumer's Guide to Getting What You Paid For by Ron Burley

Your Money and Your Health: How to Find Affordable High-Quality Healthcare by Jordan Braverman

FOR CHILDREN

Reading Club Hours Monday-Friday

June 22 to August 10 am to 8 pm

Saturday June 27 to August 8 10 am to 4 pm

The Summer Reading Club ends on Saturday, August 8 at 4:00 p.m. but there is still time to complete the requirements. Come in and earn a ticket to the Summer Reading Club Grand Finale! If you can't come into the library you can report online at www.nenpl.org

Children's Programs are for Northport-East Northport residents. You can register online at **www.nenpl.org** or in person at either library building with your child's Library card.

(EN) Thursday, August 20, 10:00 a.m.

Children ages birth-2 years with adult;

from around the world with Nicole Sparling. (45 min.) Registration begins August 4 at

either building or online. (NENJ174)

(N) Thursday, August 20, 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Mouse's Show

Pajama Storytime

(N) Friday, August 21, 7:00 p.m.

Afternoon @ the

Movies: *Gordy*

Suggested for children

(EN) Saturday, August 22,

adults and siblings welcome

This Disney live action

Children with an adult

required.

2:00 p.m.

ages 4 and up;

Saturday

(N) Friday, August 21, 10:00 a.m.

Children entering grades 3-6

Sing, play instruments, and dance to music

Play challenging matches with other chess enthusi-

asts. All skills are welcome, but a basic knowledge of the

Katie's Puppets perform a delightful musical show

featuring Mr. Mouse and over twenty-five different hand-

made puppet characters. (30 min.) Registration begins

August 4 at either library building or online. (NENJ176)

Cuddle up with your teddy bear and listen to

some soothing bedtime stories. (30 min.) No registration

The Talking Pig Who Made It Big

game is needed. (45 min.) No registration required.

Children ages 1-5 with adult; siblings welcome

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Chess Club

Down on the Farm with Dara

(N) Monday, August 17, 10:00 a.m. Children birth-5 years with adult; siblings welcome

Enjoy singing farm animal songs with music educator Dara Linthwaite. (40 min.) Registration begins August 4 at either library building or online. (NENJ168)

Board Game Bonanza

(N) Monday, August 17, 7:00 p.m. Children entering grades K-5

Life, Checkers, Clue, Monopoly... come play your favorite board game, or learn a new one while making new friends. (60 min.) Registration begins August 4 at either library building or online. (NENJ169)

Scrapbooking for Kids

(EN) Tuesday, August 18, 10:00 a.m. Children entering grades 3-5

Design pages of family memories with Children's Librarian and scrapbooking enthusiast Patty Van Loon. Please bring six personal photographs to the program. (90 min.) Registration begins August 4 at either library building or online. (NENJ170)

Storvcrafters

(N) Tuesday, August 18, 3:00 p.m. Children ages 4-10; adults and siblings welcome

Professional storytellers Jeri Burns and Barry Marshall perform entertaining folktales using ethnic musical instruments, songs, and dance. (60 min.) Registration begins August 4 at either library building or online. (NENJ171)

Wing-It Wednesday Crafts

(N) Wednesday, August 19, 10:00 a.m.

Children ages 4 and up; adults and siblings welcome Let your imagination run wild in a room full of creative craft projects. (60 min.) No registration required.

Theater Games

(EN) Wednesday, August 19, 3:00 p.m. Children entering grades 3-5

Children's Librarian Elizabeth Englert will lead young thespians in fun activities that include improvisation, creating

characters, and pantomime. (60 min.) Registration begins August 4 at either library building or online. (NENJ173)

film features Gordy the talking piglet who must rescue his family before they are turned into bacon. (90 min.)

Rated G. No registration required

FOR CHILDREN

Summer Reading Club Grand Finale

Tickets to one of four showtimes are issued to children who have completed the Summer Reading Club requirements.

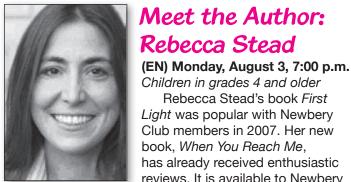
Library Laser Spectacular

This high-tech extravaganza features dazzling laser animations synchronized to riveting music. Kids will be amazed at how science and technology can create such exciting entertainment. (40 min.)



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Children in grades 4 and older Rebecca Stead's book First Light was popular with Newberv Club members in 2007. Her new ook, When You Reach Me, has already received enthusiastic reviews. It is available to Newbery Club members in galley form.

Ms. Stead writes: "The wonderful thing about writing fiction is that you can be inspired by the real world without being limited by its facts." Her books effortlessly cross the boundaries between real life and fantasy. No registration required.

Best Children's Books of the Year

Each year our Children's Librarians prepare extensive lists of books that have been recently added to the Library's collection. Books that have received national and regional awards, along with staff favorites, are annotated and published in four categories: Beginning Readers and Early Chapter Books; Books for Intermediate Readers; Books for Older Readers; and Picture Books. The Older Reader list includes a section for 'Tween' readers. Books from the list are displayed in the Children's Room. The lists are available in print form and also on our Library website at www.nenpl.org. Click on the link for Children, then Summer Reading Club, then Reading Lists. Each title on the list links directly to our Library catalog. Have your Library card barcode handy to request a book.

Here are a few titles you will find on our lists:

The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman (Newbery Medal) The House in the Night by Susan Marie Swanson (Caldecott Medal)

Chicken Said, 'Cluck!' by Judyann Ackerman Grant (Geisel Honor Award)

What to Do About Alice by Barbara Kerley (Robert F. Sibert Informational Book Honor Medal)

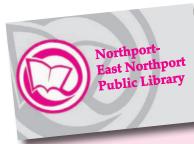


New on the Library's Website

Can't get to the library, but want to read a book? Check out TumbleBooks, our new online collection of animated talking picture books. Read popular picture books such as How I Became a Pirate or The Paper Bag Princess. Books are available in French, Spanish, Italian, Chinese, and Russian. Audiobooks, puzzles, and games are also available at the TumbleBook Library. Ask a Librarian if you need help accessing this new online collection.

Library Receives Grant

The Northport-East Northport Public Library is the proud recipient of the Picturing America award from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Library Association's Public Programs Office. The grant application was initiated last year by the Library's Children's Department, and in September high-quality reproductions of American art will be featured as part of the new Museum Cove exhibit Picturing America.



Help your child prepare for a great year at school - make sure

they have a Library card. Just go to the Circulation Desk at either library building with two forms of identification with your name and current address.

While visiting the Children's Room this summer, ask a Children's Librarian to show you the homework resources that are available online.



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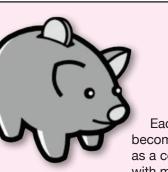
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Each day the marketplace becomes more complex, and as a consumer you are faced with many challenges and

opportunities. It is a difficult task making sound judgments when selecting a professional, contracting for services, or purchasing goods. Now, more than ever, making wise expenditure choices is extremely

The people who make the best consumer decisions start their shopping at the Library. Patrons who use our Consumer Center and access some of the Library's numerous consumer-related websites and databases equip themselves with accurate, complete, and current information. Be a savvy consumer by getting to know how the Library can help you choose the right source to meet your needs while saving you time

Consumer Center

Located in each building, our Consumer Center provides books and magazines that have evaluations, reviews, and price information on major consumer items such as cars, boats, and recreational vehicles—both new and used. Included are NADA car appraisal guides, BUC guides (for used

boats) and RV buyers guides. Other car-buying tools are: Consumer Reports' April new car issue; Consumer Guide's monthly automotive issues; Car and Driver Annual Buying Guide; The Car Book, which contains vehicle safety records; Consumer Reports Used Car Buying Guides; and Annual Fuel Economy Guides from the U.S. Department of Energy. The **Consumer Reports Annual Buying Guide** for all types of products, as well as additional titles on a variety of products and services from buying electronics to planning a funeral, are available in both reference and circulating collections.

Websites and Databases

There are numerous websites and databases which provide consumers with unbiased, objective reviews and reports on the quality of the items they seek to purchase. Through the Library's homepage at www.nenpl.org, patrons can access these consumer websites by choosing "Web Links" and then "Consumer." There they will find sites for both product information and consumer protection.

Consumer Reports magazine is now available in full text through the Library's online subscription

Consumer Guide has a website that prices, evaluates, and reviews cars and other consumer products. There are explanations of "how stuff works," providing a greater understanding of the product being sought.

A Reference Librarian will be happy to help you locate other sites that provide information on buying a home, renting an apartment, buying/leasing a car, as well as researching FDA-regulated items such as food, drugs, and cosmetics.

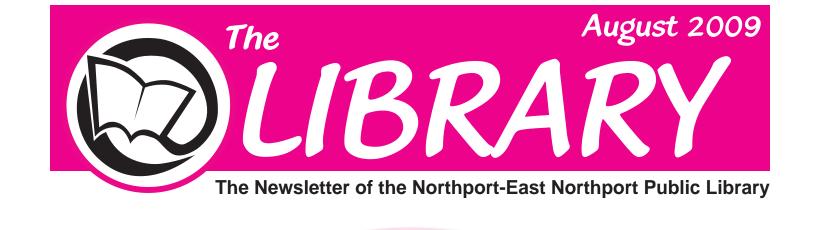
The Better Business Bureau at www.bbb.org allows users to research businesses and charities while checking their legitimacy. It is also a vehicle for filing complaints when necessary. The Federal Trade Commission at www.ftc.gov

offers information on consumer rights and advises how to avoid scams and rip-offs. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission discusses the potential risks and hazards with

These are just a few of the resources available both at the Library or through the Library's website. Our Librarians will be glad to assist you in locating the information that will help you make the right

choices for you and your family.

some consumer products.



The Library . . . A Consumer's

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