

FOR ADULTS



Gallowglass: Traditional Irish Music

(N) Sunday, March 9, 2:00 p.m.
Join us for an afternoon of traditional Irish music with Gallowglass, featuring Johnny Cuomo, Mike Meehan, and Dan Lowery. The group's lead vocalist, Johnny Cuomo, also plays guitar, mandolin, banjo, and harmonica. Mike Meehan, on highland bagpipes and tin whistle, also lends his hand to the scratchy sound of the fiddle. The newest member of the ensemble, Dan Lowery, plays Irish flute, tin whistle, and acoustic guitar. Don't miss this lively afternoon of Irish music! Free tickets are available now both library buildings.

Acupuncture

(EN) Monday, March 3, 7:30 p.m.
Originating in China more than 2,000 years ago, acupuncture involves the stimulation of anatomical points on the body using a variety of techniques. Dr. Carole W. Agin of Stony Brook University will describe how acupuncture is used to prevent and treat a variety of conditions including chronic pain, arthritis, migraines, and more. All are welcome.

Northport Arts Coalition presents Through the Seasons with Japanese Classical Dance

(N) Wednesday, March 12, 7:00 p.m.
Japanese classical dance was born along with the first performances of the Kabuki theatre in 1603. The Northport Arts Coalition, in cooperation with the Library, presents IchiFuji-kai, Japanese classical dance in the elegant Soke Fujima style, a style that is still performed in the Kabuki theatre today. Costumed in beautiful kimonos, IchiFuji-kai celebrates the seasons of the year through dance. The IchiFuji-kai Dance Association, based in New York City, has been performing and teaching Japanese classical dance in the elegant Soke Fujima style since its founding by Fujima Nishiki in 1961. All are welcome.

Keeping Yourself Safe in Your Home

(N) Tuesday, March 11, 7:30 p.m.
One of the more frightening and potentially dangerous crimes that can occur to a family is a home robbery or home invasion. Law enforcement expert Isham Latimer will shed insight on the criminal mind and show you simple, commonsense steps that you can take to become more alert to your surroundings and increase your home security. Mr. Latimer is certified as an Enhanced Security Guard from the New York State Department of Homeland Security. He is also a defensive tactics and firearms instructor. All are welcome.

Arc Duo

(N) Sunday, April 6, 2:00 p.m.
The Library is pleased to present a concert by Arc Duo, featuring flutist Heather Holden and guitarist Bradley Colten. *The New York Concert Review* calls them "Two supremely talented musicians working together as a perfect ensemble . . . Arc Duo are masters of their instruments."
A native of Northport, Ms. Holden was the first prize winner of the 2006 Haynes International Flute Competition. She performed her Carnegie Hall solo debut in 1998 as a winner of the Artist International Debut Recital Series. Mr. Colten was the recipient of the Andres Segovia Award from the Manhattan School of Music. Together as Arc Duo they have performed at the Caramoor Music Festival, Merkin Concert Hall, and Lincoln Center's Bruno Walter Auditorium. Free tickets are available March 8 at both library buildings.



Gourmet Getaways

(N) Thursday, March 13, 7:30 p.m.
Whether you like great food or would just enjoy a pleasurable getaway, this workshop is for you!
Pat Sommerstad will outline day and weekend trips within driving distance—complete with restaurants and menus, accommodations, activities, and excursions. She will show a slideshow of great destinations and provide ready-made plans and contact information. Registration begins March 1 at the Northport Library.

Current Events in Perspective

(N) Wednesday, March 26, 7:30 p.m.
Join Michael Libresco-D'Innocenzo, professor of history at Hofstra University, to explore significant national and international developments. All attending the program are welcome to share their views.

Taproot Writers Group

(EN) Tuesdays, March 25-June 3, 1:30-3:30 p.m.
The spring season of the Library's Taproot Writers Group begins Tuesday, March 25, at the East Northport Library. Taproot instructors help participants recreate their experiences in stories, poems, and memoirs. The cost for the ten-session series is \$70. Registration forms are available in both library buildings.

Boating Safety Course

(EN) Wednesdays, April 9, 16, 23, 30 & May 7, 7:00 p.m.
The Neptune Power Squadron conducts this course for boaters ages 13 and up. A fee of \$45 for adults (ages 17+) or \$40 for teens (ages 13-16) is payable at registration which begins March 15 at the East Northport Library. Class size is limited. Please bring your Library card and a check or money order payable to Neptune Power Squadron.



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Cinematic Circle presents Platoon

(N) Thursday, March 20, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Join us for another installment of our film discussion series with a screening of Oliver Stone's *Platoon*. Charlie Sheen stars as a young, naive American in Vietnam who quickly discovers that he must do battle not only with the Viet Cong, but also with the fear, physical exhaustion, and intense anger growing within him. Rated R. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

Novel Ideas

(N) Monday, March 10, 7:00 p.m.
This month we will take a look at *Life of Pi* by Yann Martel. Please pick up your copy of the book at the Northport Library Circulation Desk.

Short Story Central

(N) Tuesday, March 4, 7:00 p.m.
This month we will focus on stories from *Matters of Life and Death* by Bernard MacLaverty. Please pick up your copies of the stories at the Circulation Desk in either library building.



Internet Basics

(N) Wednesday, March 5, 7:30 p.m.
Learn the fundamentals of Internet access, email, and more with a Computer Librarian. All are welcome.

Computer Kindergarten

(EN) Tuesday, March 11, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
Register March 1 at the East Northport Library.
This hands-on workshop for novices covers using a mouse and the Windows desktop, opening programs, and saving files. A non-refundable \$5 fee is payable at registration.

Adobe Photoshop Elements

(N) Tuesday, March 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
This program will give you an overview of the workspace, tools, options bar, and palettes available in Photoshop Elements. All are welcome.

Computer First Grade

(EN) Wednesday, March 19, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Register March 4 at the East Northport Library.
This follow-up to Computer Kindergarten introduces word processing and working with text and files. A non-refundable \$5 fee is payable at registration.

Desktop Publishing Using Microsoft Word

(EN) Thursday, March 20, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Register March 8 at the East Northport Library.
In this hands-on workshop you will learn how to create greeting cards, letterhead paper, transfer designs, newsletters, notepaper, and more using Microsoft Word 2003. A non-refundable \$5 fee is payable at registration.

FIRESIDE FRIDAY
June Adrea's Show Stoppers
(EN) Friday, March 7, 7:30 p.m.
Dynamic singer June Adrea performs Broadway melodies and golden oldies, along with the songs of many of your favorite artists including Celine Dion, Cher, Shania Twain, Barbra Streisand, and Frank Sinatra. All are welcome.

AARP Driver Safety Program

(N) Monday, March 10, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Register March 1 at the Northport Library.
(EN) Thursdays, March 27 & April 3, 6:30-10:30 p.m.
Register March 8 at the East Northport Library.
AARP's program is a refresher course designed especially for motorists age 50 and older. There is a \$10 fee payable to AARP by **check or money order only** at registration. A N-EN Library card is required to register.

Defensive Driving

(EN) Mondays, March 31 & April 7, 7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: \$35
Applications for this point/insurance reduction safety course are available March 1 at both library buildings.

GALLERY EXHIBITS
Northport Gallery:
Changes: Chalk & Watercolor by Bonnie Cassidy
Northport artist Bonnie Jane Cassidy ("BJ"), whose favorite medium is oil pastels, creates works that are shaped by the environment around her. Ms. Cassidy is also an accomplished poet whose work has been published in many poetry compilations.

Art Talk
(N) Wednesday, March 5, 7:30 p.m.
Bonnie Cassidy will be on hand in the Northport Gallery to discuss her work. All are welcome.

East Northport Gallery:
The Four Seasons: Watercolors & Acrylics by Maria Athanasiou
A native of Greece, Maria Athanasiou is a professional designer who has created patterns for Vogue, McCall's, and Ann Taylor, among others. Her exhibit includes portraits, seascapes, and landscapes.

Art Talk
(EN) Wednesday, March 12, 7:30 p.m.
Maria Athanasiou will be on hand at the East Northport Library to discuss her work. All are welcome.

East Northport Display Case:
"Long Island Woods Turn Well" by Don Lindsley
Woodturner Don Lindsley displays bowls and other objects turned from trees cut on Long Island. A professor emeritus in geosciences at Stony Brook University, Mr. Lindsley acquired an interest in woodturning from his father, whose lathe he inherited. He loves using Long Island's large variety of indigenous woods.

FOR TEENS

Tune In @ Your Library for Teen Tech Week: March 2-8
Teen Tech Week is a celebration of the technology you love to use @ your Library like playing video games, chatting on the Web, listening to MP3s and more. From March 2-8 libraries across the country will encourage teens to try technology and learn something new. Explore our Library's nonprint resources such as Playaways, audiobooks, CDs, CD-ROMs, and DVDs. Pick up a copy of the Teen Tech Week Internet Scavenger Hunt Contest. Forms are available in the Teen Centers. The winner will receive a gift card to Best Buy and other goodies.

Kaplan's SAT Test Secrets 101
(N) Thursday, March 6, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
This free seminar by Kaplan covers the format and content of the SAT as well as test-taking strategies. Teens and parents are welcome to attend. Registration is underway at the East Northport Library.

Teen Drop-In
(EN) Wednesday, March 19, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Bring some friends and drop-in at the Library for board games, music, refreshments, and a DIY craft where you'll learn how to make zany and cute robots out of clay and screws. Registration begins March 3 at the East Northport Library.

Nacho Supreme
(N) Thursday, March 20, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Learn how to make a delicious Nacho Supreme with the Baking Coach. Registration begins March 3 at the East Northport Library.

Spring Fashion Show
(N) Friday, April 4, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Calling all fashionistas! Join us for an evening of spring fashion trends, sponsored by the Veronica Rayne Boutique in Northport. See the latest designs for casual and dressy wear and find out the best colors and styles for spring. Enter to win a free door prize and enjoy musical entertainment. Tickets are available at both library buildings beginning March 10.

PSAT/SAT Preparation Workshop
(N) Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17, and May 1, 6:15-8:45 p.m.
High school students can prepare for the fall PSAT/SAT exams with teachers Barbara White and Donald Loeffler. Bring your teen Library card and a non-refundable check for \$100 payable to the Northport-East Northport Public Library. Registration begins March 10 at the East Northport Library.

Teen Volunteer Opportunities
Teen volunteer opportunities are open to students in grades 7-12. Registration begins March 3 at the East Northport Library.

Crafty Teens: Bingo Boards
(EN) Tuesday, March 11, 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Help prepare bingo boards for a children's summer program.

Teen Advisory Board
(EN) Monday, March 17, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Our guest speaker is Eva Browne, *The Times of Northport's* Person of the Year for the Environment. Ms. Browne has recently completed her 8th coastal cleanup of the Northport area beaches, and coordinates more than 285 volunteers who clean the beaches in Northport, Asharoken, Eaton's Neck, and Fleets Cove. This year volunteers collected, recorded, and bagged 2,395 pounds of garbage. Meet Ms. Browne to find out how you can help in the future. Participants will receive one hour of volunteer credit. Register March 3 at the East Northport Library.

FOR FAMILIES
Sunday Family Specials
For adults and children in grades K and up

"The Legend of King Arthur"
(N) Sunday, March 30, 2:00 p.m.
The always popular players of the Hampstead Stage Company are back with a fun-filled and inspiring production. Join King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table in the legendary story of the sword and the stone. In this quest, Merlin and King Arthur battle their adversaries, Morgan Le Fay and her son Mordred, for the rights to Excalibur and Camelot. The legend comes to life with history, humor, and swordplay. Free tickets are available March 1 at both library buildings.

Ryu Shu Taiko presents "The Drums of Noto Hanto"
(N) Sunday, April 6, 2:00 p.m.
The samurai are coming! Experience the excitement of karate combined with taiko as Ryu Shu Taiko entertains you with an exciting blend of martial arts, folk dance, and the thunder of taiko drums. With performances drawn from the rich folk heritage of Japan, Ryu Shu Taiko retells the ancient tale of a Japanese village that saves itself by playing the taiko drums. Free tickets are available March 15 at both library buildings.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>AARP Tax Aid (EN) Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (N) Fridays, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. AARP counselors, trained by the IRS, will be available in both library buildings through April 11. Free e-filing is available. No registration is necessary. If possible, please bring last year's tax forms with you. Assistance is available on a first-come, first-served basis.</p> <p>Dan in Real Life (N) Friday, March 7, 1:30 p.m. Steve Carell stars in this comedy about an advice columnist who is an expert on relationships. Rated PG-13.</p> <p>Friday Movies for Adults</p> <p>Becoming Jane (N) Friday, March 21, 1:30 p.m. The young Jane Austen's romance with Tom Lefroy becomes the inspiration for some of her greatest literary works. Rated PG. 120 min.</p> <p>Display Tables in the Libraries</p> <p>Featured This Month: The Irish</p>						
<p>2 Out of the Tube: Painting Comics with Mark Sparacio (N) 2 pm</p>	<p>3 Registration begins at East Northport for Teen Drop-In on 3/19, Nacho Supreme on 3/20, and Teen Volunteer Opportunities</p> <p>*On My Own (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Songs & Stories (EN) 10 & 11 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (N) 1:30 pm</p> <p>Acupuncture (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>4 Registration begins at East Northport for Computer First Grade on 3/19</p> <p>*Rock-a-Bye Readers (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>Short Story Central (N) 7 pm</p> <p>Pajama Storytime (EN) 7 pm</p> <p>*Raising Your Special Needs Child (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>5 Registration begins at Northport for Book Buddies on 3/19</p> <p>Blood Pressure Check (N) 9:30-10:30 am</p> <p>*Stories in Motion (EN) 9:30 & 10:30 am</p> <p>*Our First Storytime (N) 10 am</p> <p>*On My Own (EN) 1:30 pm</p> <p>*Story Parade (N) 4 pm</p> <p>Art Talk (N) 7:30 pm</p> <p>Internet Basics (N) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>6 AARP Tax Aid (EN) 9 am-1 pm</p> <p>*Our First Storytime (EN) 10 am</p> <p>*Family Fun (N) 10 am</p> <p>*Story Parade (EN) 4 pm</p> <p>*Kaplan's SAT Test Secrets 101 (N) 7 pm</p> <p>Design A Bookmark Reception (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>7 AARP Tax Aid (N) 9 am-1 pm</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (EN) 1:30 pm</p> <p>Movie: Dan in Real Life (N) 1:30 pm</p> <p>*HIICAP (N) 6-8 pm by appt.</p> <p>Fireside Friday: June Adrea's Show Stoppers (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>8 Registration begins at East Northport for AARP Driver Program on 3/27 & 4/3</p> <p>Registration begins at East Northport for Desktop Publishing on 3/20</p> <p>Tickets available for Arc Duo on 4/6</p> <p>*Family Storytime (N) 10 am</p>
<p>9 *Gallowglass: Traditional Irish Music (N) 2 pm</p>	<p>10 Registration begins at East Northport for PSAT/SAT Workshop</p> <p>Tickets available for Teen Spring Fashion Show on 4/4</p> <p>*AARP Driver Safety Program (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>*On My Own (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Songs & Stories (EN) 10 & 11 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (N) 1:30 pm</p> <p>*Novel Ideas (N) 7 pm</p>	<p>11 Registration begins at East Northport for Dealing with Cliques & Conflicts on 3/25</p> <p>*Rock-a-Bye Readers (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (EN) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Computer Kindergarten (EN) 10 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (EN) 1:30 pm</p> <p>Teen Volunteer Opportunity: Crafty Teens (EN) 4 pm</p> <p>*Raising Your Special Needs Child (EN) 7:30 pm</p> <p>Keeping Yourself Safe in Your Home (N) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>12 *Stories in Motion (EN) 9:30 & 10:30 am</p> <p>*Our First Storytime (N) 10 am</p> <p>*On My Own (EN) 1:30 pm</p> <p>*Story Parade (N) 4 pm</p>	<p>13 AARP Tax Aid (EN) 9 am-1 pm</p> <p>*Our First Storytime (EN) 10 am</p> <p>*Family Fun (N) 10 am</p> <p>*Story Parade (EN) 4 pm</p> <p>*Gourmet Getaways (N) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>14 AARP Tax Aid (N) 9 am-1 pm</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (EN) 1:30 pm</p> <p>*HIICAP (N) 6-8 pm by appt.</p> <p>Pajama Storytime (N) 7 pm</p>	<p>15 Registration begins at Northport for Cartoon Workshop on 3/29</p> <p>Tickets available for "The Drums of Noto Hanto" on 4/6</p> <p>Registration begins at East Northport for Boating Safety Course</p> <p>*Family Storytime (N) 10 am</p>
<p>16 Library closed</p>	<p>17 *On My Own (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Songs & Stories (EN) 10 & 11 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (N) 1:30 pm</p> <p>Teen Volunteer Opportunity: Teen Advisory Board (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>18 Registration begins at East Northport for Role of Sportsmanship in Your Child's Life on 4/2</p> <p>*Rock-a-Bye Readers (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (EN) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (EN) 1:30 pm</p> <p>Adobe Photoshop Elements (N) 6:30 pm</p> <p>*Raising Your Special Needs Child (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>19 Library Board of Trustees Meeting (N)</p> <p>*Book Buddies (N) 11 am</p> <p>*Teen Drop-In (EN) 2 pm</p> <p>*Computer First Grade (EN) 7 pm</p> <p>Public Information Meeting (N) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>20 AARP Tax Aid (EN) 9 am-1 pm</p> <p>*Nacho Supreme (N) 2 pm</p> <p>Cinematic Circle (N) 6 pm</p> <p>*Desktop Publishing (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>21 AARP Tax Aid (N) 9 am-1 pm</p> <p>*HIICAP (N) 6-8 pm by appt.</p>	<p>22 Registration begins at Northport for Museum Cove for Preschoolers on 4/12</p>
<p>23 Library closed</p>	<p>24 *On My Own (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (N) 1:30 pm</p> <p>*Defensive Driving (EN) 7 pm</p>	<p>25 Registration begins at Northport for Discussing Growth & Development with Your Child on 4/8</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (EN) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Stories in Motion (N) 9:30 & 10:30 am</p> <p>*New Moms (EN) 10 am</p> <p>*Taproot Writers Group (EN) 1:30 pm</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (EN) 1:30 pm</p> <p>*Dealing with Cliques & Conflicts (EN) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>26 Registration begins at Northport for Story Parade</p> <p>*Stories in Motion (EN) 9:30 & 10:30 am</p> <p>*Our First Storytime (N) 10 am</p> <p>*On My Own (EN) 1:30 pm</p> <p>Current Events in Perspective (N) 7:30 pm</p>	<p>27 Registration begins at East Northport for Story Parade</p> <p>AARP Tax Aid (EN) 9 am-1 pm</p> <p>*Our First Storytime (EN) 10 am</p> <p>*Family Fun (N) 10 am</p> <p>*AARP Driver Safety Program (EN) 6:30 pm</p>	<p>28 AARP Tax Aid (N) 9 am-1 pm</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (N) 9:30 am</p> <p>*Family Fun (EN) 10 am</p> <p>*Pre-K Storytime (EN) 1:30 pm</p> <p>Movie: Becoming Jane (N) 1:30 pm</p> <p>*HIICAP (N) 6-8 pm by appt.</p>	<p>29 Registration begins at Northport for Museum Cove for Preschoolers on 4/12</p> <p>*Family Fun (N) 10 am</p> <p>*Cartoon Workshop (N) 1 pm</p>

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Italic type indicates Children's Programs.

*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.

The Northport-East Northport Public Library encourages all patrons to participate in programs and activities. If you require any special accommodations because of a disability, please let us know.

FOR PARENTS

Raising Your Special Needs Child
(EN) Tuesday, March 4, 11 & 18, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

This three-part workshop will provide parents with the opportunity to discuss the issues that impact them and their special needs child.

Workshops will focus on mutual support and problem solving strategies. The workshop will be facilitated by Corinne Scheidt and Nicole Barbier-Adil. Registration is now underway at the East Northport Library.

Dealing with Cliques & Conflicts

(EN) Tuesday, March 25, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

This workshop will focus on strategies and ideas to support children through the crucial years of social relationships. High school guidance counselor Jenny Konop and elementary counselor Nicole Barbier-Adil will focus on ways to empower children to deal with incidents of exclusion, isolation, and rumors that cliques can often generate. This workshop will be helpful for parents of older elementary school, middle school, and high school students. Register at the East Northport Library beginning March 11.

The Role of Sportsmanship in Your Child's Life

(EN) Wednesday, April 2, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Parents have requested this workshop on how to teach their children good sportsmanship as well as strategies for dealing with the poor sportsmanship of others. The impact of living in a very competitive society and the role modeling of others will be discussed. The facilitator is Sean Boylan, social worker and coach. Register at the East Northport Library beginning March 18.

Discussing Growth & Development with Your Child

(N) Tuesday, April 8, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

This workshop is designed to help parents identify opportunities, techniques, and resources to assist them in broaching the subject of maturation with their son or daughter. Facilitated by health teacher Patricia Gremillion-Burdege, the workshop is suitable for parents of fifth graders and middle school students. Please register at the Northport Library beginning March 25.

The Parents' Collection

The Parents' Collection at the Northport-East Northport Public Library supports new and innovative programs for parents and children. The collection encompasses a broad range of materials and topics addressing all aspects of child growth and development as well as the process of parenting children from birth through adolescence. Parents, caregivers, teachers, speech therapists, social workers, psychologists, and other educators can all benefit from the rich resources found in this collection which include:

- books, audiobooks, videos, DVDs, and magazines about general parenting topics
- a bulletin board and pamphlets highlighting resources and events in our community
- an Information & Referral File which puts parents in touch with community services and recreational programs
- bibliographies and webographies on parenting issues

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	monthly cost
Cost of New Hardcover Book (average fiction & non-fiction)	\$36.00
Subscription to <i>The New York Times</i>	\$40.80
Subscription to <i>Newsday</i>	\$35.00
Family Cable Subscription (TV)	\$49.95
Subscription to Optimum Online	\$49.95
Night at the Movies (for 4, without popcorn)	\$36.00
Theatre Tickets on Long Island (for 2)	\$64.00
Adult Ed Computer Training Class	\$40.00
Homeowner's 2007/2008 Library Taxes (average)	\$34.40

Your public library, which offers services to everyone, from infants to senior citizens, returns more value to the community than it costs. The sharing of resources which can be used over and over saves individuals the cost of purchasing books, newspapers, subscriptions, and other services.

Patrons Share Their Comments

- I could easily write a commendation every week for the services rendered by the Northport-East Northport librarians.
- We are constant users of the library and greatly appreciate all its offerings.
- I want to commend and congratulate you for your fine leadership in the Northport-East Northport community. The beauty and utility of our two new buildings offering residents much help in the literary area, and the wide diversity of entertaining programs available are exemplary. These items make our libraries valuable institutions for the betterment of the community. And your newsletter has probably given librarians beyond Long Island ideas to improve their own institutions. The entire library staff deserves credit. Thank you for your productive work.
- The Library Cafe is the best place to go with kids. Always friendly service. Great snacks. My kids love coming here! Very reasonable prices.
- I take pen in hand today to say praise of your wonderful library and your staff. Today it seems people are so quick to complain and they forget to commend the people that go the extra mile for consumer, customer or even a patient. The reference department never ceases to amaze me at the readiness to get me the information I always seem to need in a big hurry. The pages you help me bumble through my computer illiteracy. Also recently I was looking for something that needed a bit of tweaking in the children's books and again I was so impressed with their amount of knowledge and willingness to go above and beyond.
- The library is a wonderful place to relax, rejuvenate, and gather thoughts.
- Kudos to the reference librarians for their answers to my questions, which haven't always been easy, and obtaining copies of books I requested.
- Thank you, Mrs. Heineman, for all you do for it is to your credit that you keep the Northport-East Northport libraries running so smoothly.

Annual Library Vote

Tuesday, April 8, 2008 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 2008/2009 and to elect one trustee whose term will commence on July 1, 2008 as a result of the expiration of the term of office presently held by Elizabeth McGrail.

Important Voting Facts:

- Public Information Meeting** — Wednesday, March 19, 7:30 p.m. Northport Library Museum Cove
- Who Can Vote** — Anyone who is
- at least 18 years of age;
 - a citizen of the United States;
 - a resident of the Northport-East Northport School District for at least 30 days;
 - registered to vote.

If you have not voted within four years in a general, school, or library election, registration is required. You may register prior to March 28 with the Suffolk County Board of Elections, Yaphank, in person or by mail. Applications are available in both library buildings. Registration for library and school district elections only may be made in person prior to April 3 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.

Absentee Applications — Applications for absentee ballots are available in both library buildings.

A Library of Excellence

Unique collections and services developed during our 94 years of service support the needs, talents, and interests of the community. One of the Library's most extensive collections is its art and architectural resources. This repository for art resources, which now houses more than 15,000 volumes, was established in 1961 in a cooperative project with Suffolk libraries. The collection strongly supports the work and research of art appraisers, gallery owners, antique dealers, artists, and students.

The Library's **Ray Freygang Business Center** was established in 1993 through a generous bequest. It provides patrons with daily guidance on starting a business, finding venture capital, promoting products, developing business plans, and researching investments. The Library has also initiated a community outreach partnership entitled "Taking the Stacks to the Streets." This initiative provides 39 small business owners and their customers with targeted library resources.

Priceless original works and manuscripts can be found in many of the Library's distinctive literary collections. These include the renowned **Jack Kerouac Collection**, Rex Brasher's *Birds and Trees of North America*, the **Aaron Kramer Poetry Collection**, the original works of children's author and illustrator **Rosemary Wells**, and *The Little Prince*, written by Antoine de Saint Exupéry. The Library regularly provides researchers with global access to these valuable resources. These "collectors' collections" have influenced and inspired authors and artists and will continue to impact future generations.

Part of the Library's mission is to inform and educate the community. It performs this mission through the Educators' Collection, the Parent Center, and the Professional Development Center. The **Professional Development Center** specializes in continuing education courses provided by professional librarians. The **Parent Center**, a partnership with the school district, contains a collection of 3,015 titles. In the past year, the Parent Center workshops provided vital support for child growth and development to 319 parents. The **Special Loan Service For Our Schools** program supports the curricular needs of local schools. During the 2006-07 academic year, this program loaned more than 500 materials to local school faculty members. This sharing of resources enhances the educational experience and gives our schools and their students an economic advantage. The Library's **technology facilities** have turned the "digital divide" into a "digital dividend" for untold numbers of library patrons. Last year the Library provided access to the Internet for patrons in 96,571 separate sessions. The Library homepage was accessed a total of 181,972 times last year.

The Library has also brought back the coffee house—a literary tradition dating back to the 17th century. Our two cafes serve as inviting places to read, gather, and enjoy the company of others. In 2006-07 the **Library Cafés** served thousands of patrons with 93,234 transactions. The Commemorative 90th Anniversary **Library Courtyard** provides an outdoor reading room and an exciting new meeting space which 7,630 patrons visited last year. The first ever and only statue in the United States of Antoine de Saint Exupéry's **Little Prince** resides in the Courtyard. **Harris' Circle of Friends** is also an integral part of the setting. East Northport is once again known as "the library with the bear." **The Library Bear**, the bronze replication of the original wood bear sculpture, greets patrons as they enter our East Northport Library. Generous private donations made these outdoor features possible.

The Northport-East Northport Public Library is truly the lifelong cultural and learning center of the community and 80% of community residents are patrons. This highly educated community, which utilizes its public library heavily, recognizes the value of shared resources through its continued support and investment. The Library has become an access point for state-of-the-art technology and a magnet for community gatherings and activities.

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Your Community Library

Proposed Operating Budget 2008/2009

	APPROVED BUDGET 2007/2008	PROPOSED BUDGET 2008/2009
LIBRARY MATERIALS & PROGRAMS		
Books, Periodicals & Electronic Resources	456,500	448,000
DVDs, Videos, CDs, Audiobooks	118,100	117,100
Adult, Teen & Children's Programming	89,000	94,000
LIBRARY OPERATIONS		
Computer Hardware & Software	132,700	136,900
Online Public Access Catalog & Circulation Control	58,000	59,500
Telecommunications	74,100	72,000
Equipment	42,000	60,000
Office, Library & Café Supplies	133,100	134,200
Printing & Postage	75,000	72,000
Professional Development & Training	25,000	25,000
Professional Fees	57,000	57,000
SCLS Plan of Service Participation	81,700	82,000
LIBRARY BUILDINGS & MAINTENANCE		
Fuels & Utilities	95,000	95,000
Facilities Repairs & Improvements	68,600	69,900
Maintenance Supplies	40,000	40,000
Building & Equipment Service Contracts	145,500	146,300
Insurance	106,000	106,000
EMPLOYEE SALARIES		
Sunday & Holiday	229,000	229,000
Professional	2,490,300	2,603,700
Clerical/Technical, Café & Library Pages	1,840,800	1,865,800
Custodial & Security Guards	379,200	403,000
MANDATED & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		
Social Security, Retirement	784,900	791,000
Health Insurance, Disability & Group Life	583,000	613,600
DEBT SERVICE — PRINCIPAL & INTEREST	569,600	553,600
CAPITAL & TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENTS	50,000	60,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	8,724,100	8,934,600
ANTICIPATED REVENUE		
Fines & Fees	79,000	79,000
Interest, Library System Grant	56,600	61,600
Café	85,000	90,000
Unrestricted Fund Appropriation	100,000	100,000
TOTAL REVENUE	320,600	330,600
TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	8,403,500	8,604,000

TAX RATE HISTORY AND PROPOSAL ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

	Approved 2007/2008	Proposed 2008/2009
Amount to be raised by taxes	\$8,403,500	\$8,604,000
Assessed Valuation of District	\$81,419,909	\$81,419,909 (est.)
Tax rate per \$100	\$10.32	\$10.57
\$ Change in tax rate	0.28	0.25
% Change in tax rate	2.89%	2.42%

The estimated increase in the tax rate is 25¢ per \$100 assessed valuation which, based on a \$4,000 assessment, amounts to \$10 for the year.

FOR CHILDREN

Book Buddies

Children ages 4-6
(N) Wednesday, March 19, 11:00 a.m.

Members of the Northport High School Tigerettes dance team will read specially selected books to your child one-on-one or in small groups. Register March 5 at the Northport Library. (30 min. program)

Pajama Storytime

(EN) Tuesday, March 4, 7:00 p.m.
(N) Friday, March 14, 7:00 p.m.

Children ages 3 and up with adult
Get dressed in your PJs and join us for some "before bed" stories. No registration required.

Story Parade

A story and craft program for children in grades K-2. (45 min. program)
(N) Wednesdays, April 9, 16, 30 & May 7
Registration begins March 26 at the Northport Library
(EN) Thursdays, April 10, 17 & May 1, 8
Registration begins March 27 at the East Northport Library.

Design A Bookmark Contest Congratulations!

The Northport-East Northport Public Library is happy to announce the winners of our 12th Annual Design A Bookmark Contest. The winning designs will be reproduced in the Library newsletter and featured in the Children's Room each month of the year. All of the contest entries will be displayed in the Children's Room at the East Northport Library. The winners and their families are invited to a reception on Thursday, March 6, at 7:30 p.m. at the East Northport Library. Congratulations to everyone!

Museum Cove **Cartoon Workshop**
(N) Saturday, March 29, 1:00 p.m.
For children in grades 4-6

Miller will instruct children in basic cartooning technique. Learn to draw characters such as Ziggy, Snoopy, and Sponge Bob, and have a few laughs along the way! Registration begins March 15 at the Northport Library.

Museum Cove for Preschoolers

(N) Saturday, April 12, 10:00 a.m.
For children ages 3-5 not yet in kindergarten
Come to the Museum Cove for "action-packed" stories, songs, and a craft. Registration begins March 29 at the Northport Library.

The Bookmark Spot

Stop by the Library and pick up the March bookmark by Kimberly Blanco. A reading list, compiled by our Children's Librarians, is on the back.

Reading is Stupendous!

That's a fancy word for Great!

Kimberly Blanco

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9 to 9 Monday thru Friday
9 to 5 Saturday
1 to 5 Sunday

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The **LIBRARY**

The Newsletter of the Northport-East Northport Public Library

includes 2008/2009 budget vote information

Oh, Library . . . how do I love thee? Let me count the ways.*

- 202,000 reference questions were answered: 110,525 asked by children 91,475 asked by adults
- 492,878 items were checked out by patrons
- 42,235 items were interlibrary loaned for patrons
- 181,972 visits were made to the Library's website
- More than 2,705 new patrons obtained Library cards
- 28,033 people in the community currently have Library cards
- 525,456 visits were made to the library
- Our programs entertained, educated, and enriched 9,954 adults, 1,814 teens, and 15,382 children
- The Library has 156,588 books for adults, 96,451 books for children, 28,438 DVDs, videos, compact discs, and audiobooks, and more than 1,000 newspaper and magazine subscriptions
- 96,571 patrons used the Library's Internet stations
- 42,582 patrons used the Library's applications computers
- 93,234 items were purchased from the Library Cafe
- 7,630 patrons visited the Library Courtyard
- The Library was open for service 72 hours weekly in each building
- The Library's website is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

*Inspired by Elizabeth Barrett Browning's Sonnet 43 in Sonnets from the Portuguese. The Library has more than 240 volumes of poetry. To read more of Browning's works, ask a Reference Librarian.

Statistics from New York State Annual Report for Public Libraries 2007

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