

# THE LIBRARY

May 1994

"All the Views  
That Are Fit to Print"

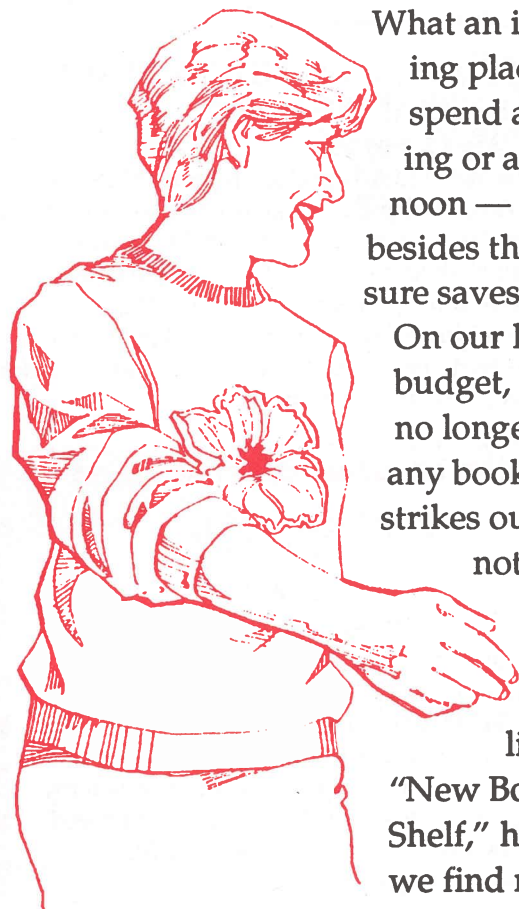
*Northport-East Northport Public Library Edition*

**Retirement Forecast:**  
At the Library it's always  
fair weather.

## Prime Time Times

### How Mary E. Jordan Retired to Her Library

"Mistakenly, I have always had a ridiculous aversion to libraries. No more!



What an interesting place to spend a morning or an afternoon — and besides that, it sure saves money!

On our limited budget, we can no longer buy any book that strikes our fancy, not even

paperbacks.

On our library's "New Book Shelf," however, we find more current volumes than we can possibly

keep up with. Nor do we feel deprived any longer by having to cut our magazine subscription list by more than half. Now we can take out unrestricted numbers of back issues of popular magazines, and enjoy them at our leisure at home.

The out-of-state newspapers, phone books with addresses of friends far away, computers where business letters or correspondence may be typed, copying machines we can use for duplicating important materials, friendly librarians who are delighted to chat about recent acquisitions, a sunny bench on which to munch a sack lunch if you want to make a "library day" of it, free movies, lectures, discussion groups, etc., etc. — all of this I have been missing because I've only just discovered the library.

So let me tell all of you about-to retire (or already retired) readers: One of the first places you should visit is your library!

*Retire to your library.*

— For Adults —

**RELOCATING TO FLORIDA**

Monday, May 16, 2:30 p.m.

Sid Gubell, president of the *New York-Florida Real Estate Connection*, will discuss the Sunshine State's cost of living, prices of housing, senior citizen lifestyles, and quality of schools. All are welcome.

**TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES FOR SENIORS**

Friday, May 20, 1:00 p.m.

Pat Pasquini, travel coordinator of The Prime Time Travel and Leisure Club, a travel service for those 55 and over, will discuss some of the day and overnight trips that have been planned for members in this free club. All are welcome.

**YOU AND YOUR AGING PARENTS**

Monday, May 23, 1:00 p.m.

Join George Roach, chief attorney with the Senior Citizen Bureau of the Suffolk County Legal Aid Department, for a look at the legal and financial options for the aged and their families. All are welcome.

**HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION, COUNSELING & ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

(EN) Friday, May 13, 9:00-12 noon

(N) Thursday, May 12, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

(N) Thursday, May 19, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Tom Henry, Stu Goldblatt, and Carolyn Streitwieser serve our patrons as HIICAP certified counselors answering questions about Medicare and Medicaid. Call 261-6930 to make an appointment in Northport, or 261-2313 to make an appointment in East Northport.

**WRESTLING ALLIGATORS?**

Wednesday, May 11, 7:30 p.m.

*"Writing is the hardest way of earning a living with the possible exception of wrestling alligators."* — Olin Miller

Local author John Cummings talks about the difficulties of putting your creative thoughts on paper. A former *Newsday* reporter, Cummings contributes articles to *Penthouse*, *Omni*, and the *New York Times*, and is co-author of several books. His most recent works, *Till Murder do Us Part*, and *Compromised: Bush, Clinton and the CIA* were published this year. In 1991, Mr. Cummings was honored with an Edgar Allen Poe Award for the book *Goombata*. All are welcome.



Mondays, May 16 & 23

7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: \$35

Applications for this six-hour

course may be picked up at either library beginning May 2.

**NEW YORK TIMES COLUMNIST DAVID BOUCHIER: WRITE ABOUT LIFE**

Sunday, May 15, 2:00 p.m.

Humorist, columnist, and radio essayist David Bouchier provides an amusing perspective on life and culture in America in the 1990s. Mr. Bouchier's bi-weekly humor column appears in the Long Island section of the Sunday *New York Times* and his broadcasts are heard on National Public Radio station WSHU. Join him for an entertaining discussion about how you can write about life from a point of view that is uniquely your own. All are welcome.



**SMALL BUSINESS SEMINAR**

Thursday, May 5, 10:00 a.m.

Small business owners and prospective business owners: In recognition of Small Business Week, 1994, representatives from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and a local banker tell you about financing programs that can get your business going and answer your technical questions about

how to make your business a successful venture. Call the SBA at 454-0753 to register.

**SARANAC LAKE: A MAGICAL PLACE WITH A SPECIAL HISTORY**

Thursday, May 12, 1:00 p.m.

Set in the majestic Adirondack region of New York, the small village of Saranac Lake became associated with health more than a century ago when Dr. Edward Trudeau established America's finest tuberculosis research lab and hospital-sanatorium in 1873.

Registered Nurse Louise Bobrow will present a program — part history, and part travelogue — on this magical place. All are welcome.



**BOOK-A-TRIP**

to

West Point

Monday, May 23, 1994

Departure: 8:00 a.m. from the Middleville School Parking Lot.

Cost: \$42.00 per person (checks only; payable to Northport Public Library; non-refundable)

Itinerary: Tour West Point Military Academy. Buffet lunch at the Hotel Thayer, followed by two-hour cruise on Hudson River.

Return: 7:00 p.m.

Register in person (limit 2 on first day of ticket sale) at the Northport Library beginning May 6.

Northport-East Northport Public Library cardholders will be given preference.







**BOOK & SANDWICH (W)RAP**  
(EN) Thursday, May 5  
1:00 p.m.

The Hopi song "If Only I Could Keep My Mind on the Aims of My Heart," sets the tempo for this month's stories by Elizabeth Talbert. "Money," "Get It Back For Me," and "The Minute I Saw You" all take place in New Mexico and California. Call Michelle Epstein, reference librarian, at 261-6930.

**NOVEL IDEAS**

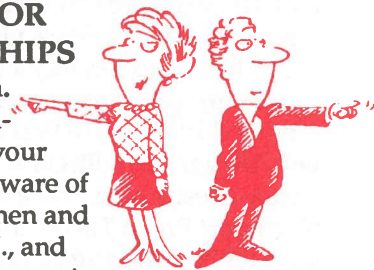
(N) Friday, May 13, 1:00 p.m.

(N) Monday, May 16, 7:30 p.m.

This month we'll take a look at *Poet and Dancer* by Ruth Praver Jhabvala. To join this group, contact Dodie Gillman, reference librarian, at 261-6930.

**WHY DOESN'T SHE/HE UNDERSTAND ME?: A SURVIVAL GUIDE FOR TODAY'S RELATIONSHIPS**  
Wednesday, May 18, 7:30 p.m.

Learn new ways to communicate and solve problems in your relationships. Become more aware of stereotypical thinking about men and women. Bernie Koven, C.S.W., and Eleanor Perlman highlight communication patterns and subsequent conflictual issues that men and women face. Registration begins May 7.



**50% OFF WHAT?**

Thursday, May 19, 7:30 p.m.

Gemologist Edward Lewand will help to inform and educate consumers about jewelry appraisal. Learn about color stones, federal laws on gold stamping, and the pricing of gems and jewelry. At the end of the talk, Mr. Lewand will look at some of your jewelry to give you a general idea on valuation but will not be doing formal appraisals on those items. All are welcome.

**CAPTURE THE MEMORIES . . .**

Thursday, May 26, 7:30 p.m.

Learn how to preserve your treasured heirlooms — family photographs, letters, diaries, recipes, or stories from the "old country." Louise Bobrow will tell you how you can keep your family history alive. All are welcome.

**A HOME SELLER'S MARKET**

Monday, May 9, 7:30 p.m.

Kathryn Martin gives you tips on how to sell your home given the real estate climate today. She'll discuss interest rates, area statistics, and seasonal considerations. All are welcome.

**JAZZ IN JUNE: THE RON ODRICH QUARTET**

Friday, June 10, 8:00 p.m.

Plan to spend an evening with what the *New York Times* called "one of the best small jazz groups playing today." Tickets go on sale May 20.

*Exhibits*

**Northport**  
Adult — Oil Paintings by Jan Guidotti  
Case — Carved Birds by Peter English  
**East Northport**  
Adult — Alix's Portraits by Alix Farrell  
Children — Artwork by Trinity Regional School Students

**Northport-East Northport Public Library**  
**Calendar of Events**  
**May 1994**

*This month we honor older Americans.*



**Floral Decorations**  
**Northport:** Sheila Goeller of the Northport Community Garden Club with flowers donated by Northport Floral  
**East Northport:** Alma Monitto of the Larkfield Community Garden Club

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Applications available for Defensive Driving on 5/16 & 5/23 <i>*Mommy &amp; Me (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am &amp; 3:30 pm</i> Lyme Disease Support Goup (N) 7 pm	<b>3</b> <i>*Mommy &amp; Me (N) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Bookmates (N) 4 pm</i> <i>*CPR Course (N) 7 pm</i>	<b>4</b> <i>*Mommy &amp; Me (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> Free Blood Pressure Check (N) 1-3 pm; (EN) 3:15-5 pm <i>*Mommy &amp; Me (N) 1:30 pm</i> <i>*Story Parade (N) 4 pm</i> <i>*CPR Course (N) 7 pm</i> Great Books (N) 8 pm	<b>5</b> <i>*Small Business Seminar (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am &amp; 3:30 pm</i> Book & Sandwich (W)rap (EN) 1 pm <i>*Story Parade (EN) 4 pm</i> <i>*YA SAT Preparation Course (N) 7 pm</i>	<b>6</b> Ticket sales begin for Book-A-Trip to West Point on 5/23 <i>*Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	<b>7</b> Registration begins for Why Doesn't She/He Understand Me? on 5/18 <i>*Fun for Preschoolers (N) 9:30 am &amp; 11:15 am</i>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <i>*55/Alive Mature Driver Program (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am &amp; 3:30 pm</i> A Home Seller's Market (N) 7:30 pm	<b>10</b> <i>*Toddler Time (N) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Bookmates (N) 4 pm</i>	<b>11</b> <i>*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Toddler Time (N) 1:30 pm</i> <i>*Story Parade (N) 4 pm</i> Wrestling Alligators? (N) 7:30 pm	<b>12</b> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am &amp; 3:30 pm</i> <i>*Health Insurance Information, Counseling &amp; Assistance Program (N) 1-4 pm by appt.</i> Saranac Lake: A Magical Place with a Special History (N) 1 pm <i>*Story Parade (EN) 4 pm</i>	<b>13</b> <i>*Health Insurance Information, Counseling &amp; Assistance Program (EN) 9 am-12 noon by appt.</i> <i>*Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> Novel Ideas (N) 1 pm Young Adult Book Reviewers (N) 4 pm Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	<b>14</b> <i>*Fun for Preschoolers (N) 9:30 am &amp; 11:15 am</i>  <i>Saturday Movie Matinee: Sandson; Mine and the Minotaur (EN) 2:30 pm 77 min.</i>
<b>15</b> Write About Life (N) 2 pm	<b>16</b> <i>*55/Alive Mature Driver Program (N) 10 am</i> <i>*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am &amp; 3:30 pm</i> Relocating to Florida (N) 2:30 pm <i>*Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm</i> Novel Ideas (N) 7:30 pm	<b>17</b> <i>*Toddler Time (N) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Bookmates (N) 4 pm</i>	<b>18</b> <i>*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Toddler Time (N) 1:30 pm</i> <i>*Story Parade (N) 4 pm</i> Why Doesn't She/He Understand Me?: A Survival Guide for Today's Relationships (N) 7:30 pm Great Books (N) 8 pm	<b>19</b> <i>*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am &amp; 3:30 pm</i> <i>*Health Insurance Information, Counseling &amp; Assistance Program (N) 1-4 pm by appt.</i> <i>*Story Parade (EN) 4 pm</i> 50% Off What? (N) 7:30 pm	<b>20</b> Ticket sales begin for Jazz in June: The Ron Odrich Quartet on 6/10 <i>*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> Travel Opportunities for Seniors (N) 1 pm Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	<b>21</b> <i>*Fun for Preschoolers (N) 9:30 am &amp; 11:15 am</i>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <i>*Book-A-Trip to West Point departs 8 am</i> <i>*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> You and Your Aging Parents (N) 1:00 pm <i>*Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm</i>	<b>24</b> <i>*YA Speaking of Writing with Author Gordon Korman (N) 9:30 am</i> <i>*Toddler Time (N) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Bookmates (N) 4 pm</i> Library Board of Trustees Meeting (N) 7 pm	<b>25</b> <i>*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i> <i>*Toddler Time (N) 1:30 pm</i>	<b>26</b> Capture the Memories . . . (N) 7:30 pm	<b>27</b> Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> Library Closed	<b>30</b> Memorial Day - Library Closed 	<b>31</b> <i>*Toddler Time (N) 10 am &amp; 11 am</i>	<p>Your approval of the 1994/95 budget, on April 11, enables us to continue to provide quality library service to the community at a reasonable cost. We appreciate the value you place on your library. Thank you for your vote of confidence.</p> <p>Very truly yours, Library Board of Trustees</p>			

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




Enrollment in our programs is limited, with preference given to district residents.

The Northport-East Northport Public Library encourages all residents to participate in programs and activities. Please let us know in advance if you require any special accommodations because of a disability.

\*Pre-registration or tickets required for this program.  
Occupancy of our meeting room is limited.

# LIBRARY CLOSE UP

## ***YOUR LIBRARY A Top-Rated Retirement Place***

The month of May is declared Older Americans Month in honor of our most senior adults. Every May, we pay tribute to our "Prime Time" patrons by dedicating an issue of the newsletter to them. Programs are planned with Prime Timers in mind. Special senior collections and services are highlighted. Just look for the  Prime Time symbol. This year, we've also prepared a  brochure which focuses on library services for older  patrons. Following is a preview of that brochure. Stop by the library for the "full-length" version of the *Prime Time Times*.

### ***Join the Club***

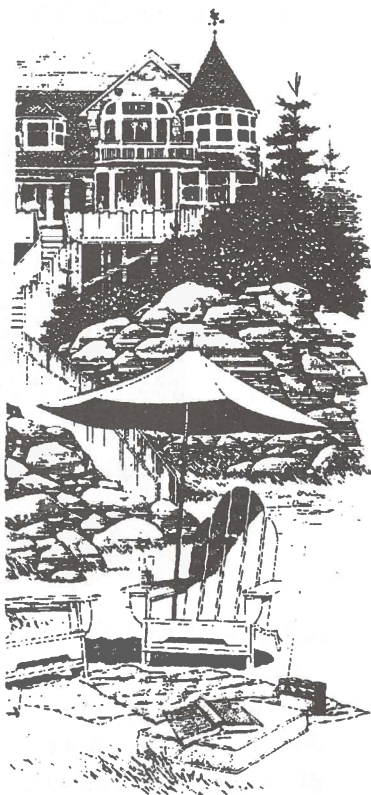
Meet new friends. You are — or can be — a card-holding member of one of the most active clubs in town, your Library.

### ***It's Show Time***

From "Shakespeare on the Lawn" to the comedic or suspenseful performances by theater groups; from vocalists to jazz instrumentalists, the Library has set its stage to entertain you.

### ***Take Time to Explore Your Mind***

"Get smart" and smarter and smarter. Check out the books "you always wanted to read." Use a tutorial at PC Station to learn a new computer program. Explore new worlds and discover nature with non-fiction videos.





## **When the Grandchildren Come**

Open a door to wonder for your grandchildren when they come for a visit. Plan a "Library Day." Play with puzzles, read a picture book, and use the computer programs available in the Children's Library.

## **On The Road Again**

Sign up for a Book-A-Trip and leave the planning to us. The Library offers day trips to museums, theater, gardens, and historic sites, lunch included.

## **Access to Health Information**

The Library has indexes and articles about health conditions, treatments, procedures, and dietary issues of concern to you. If you need help with or have questions about Medicare, make an appointment with a Health Insurance Information Counselor.

## **Money Matters**

Take stock of your investments and keep up with market trends. Read financial newspapers and newsletters, delve into annual reports.

## **Magnet for Many**

Public libraries have become more than book lenders. Video tapes, compact discs, computer information systems, audio books, and large-print and foreign books are all available at your Library. Your Library is a community center offering lectures, discussions, movies, and art exhibits.

## **Know When To Go**

The Library is busiest when the working day is done for most patrons. The weekends are also peak times. When you retire to your Library you will have more time to enjoy the many and varied services during quieter times.

## **LIBRARY HOURS**

9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Monday through Friday

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturdays

1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Sundays (Sept.-June, Northport only)

## **Dow and Jones**

### **THE LIBRARY ACTIVITY INDICATORS**



### **Senior Stats 1993 Attendance**

55/ Alive AARP Defensive Driving	310
HIICAP Medicare Counseling	192
Senior Citizen Clubs	1,104
AARP Tax Assistance	180
Blood Pressure Screening	840
Programs for Prime Timers Only	438

## — For Children —

### CPR COURSE

(N) Tuesday, May 3 & Wednesday, May 4  
7:00-9:00 p.m. Fee: \$5.00 For adult family members

Learn CPR, a lifesaving skill developed by the American Heart Association, and earn American Red Cross certification. Instruction includes mannequin practice in performing one "rescuer" CPR and infant CPR procedures. This course will be taught by Rick Bruckenthal and Paul Latuso, certified Red Cross instructors from the Northport Police Department. Registration is ongoing.



### 1994 Winners!

#### Grade 3

##### Essay

First Place Nicola Spence  
Second Place Jennifer Raguzin

##### Poetry

First Place Billy Cullens  
Second Place Christopher Sagistano  
Third Place Elizabeth Bickmeyer  
Hon. Mention Carl Limbacher

##### Picture Book

First Place Denise Ekenstierna  
Second Place Myles Forsyth  
Kevin Algozer  
Third Place Heather Portnoy

##### Short Story

First Place Jenna Castagna  
Second Place Timmy Clare  
Third Place Kathleen Broderick

#### Grade 4

##### Essay

First Place Damian Spiciarich  
Second Place Jerylyn Libby

##### Poetry

First Place Melissa Martin  
Second Place Amy Pasciucco

##### Picture Book

First Place Jamie Anne Pirz  
Jennifer Micucci  
Second Place Heather Gordon

##### Short Story

First Place Anne Dyling  
Second Place Erin Imbasciani  
Third Place Michael Mere  
Hon. Mention Tom Huie

#### Grade 5

##### Essay

First Place Gavin Molinelli  
Second Place Gregg Vadasz  
Third Place Rachel Abrams  
Hon. Mention Jillian Dunn

##### Poetry

First Place Kirstin Cianti  
Second Place Cristine Chambers  
Third Place Tony Guido  
Hon. Mention Danielle Haberman

##### Picture Book

First Place Melissa Hoffmann  
Emily Dennison  
Second Place David Viscardi  
Third Place Jamie Byers

##### Short Story

First Place Jaan Berman  
Second Place Allison Meyer  
Third Place Justine Cucchiara  
Hon. Mention Lindsey Paluska

## — For Young Adults —

### SPEAKING OF WRITING

Each May, the library invites an author prominent in the field of Young Adult literature to speak to selected community youngsters from grades 6 through 8. This year Gordon Korman, popular writer of laugh-a-minute *The Zucchini Warriors*, *The Twinkie Squad*, and *This Can't Be Happening at MacDonald Hall*, among others, will be our guest. This promises to be an entertaining and rewarding morning for our young teens as they hear from a prominent author whose first book was published in 1978 when he was just fourteen. Korman has said "I think that, no matter what the subject matter, kids' concerns are important, and being a kid isn't just waiting out the time between birth and the age of majority."



### JOURNEY INTO BOOKS 1994

When Gordon Korman visits the library, he will also meet the library's Young Adult Book Reviewers. Their publication, *Journey Into Books 1994*, is a compilation of choice reviews on current young adult fiction. These reviewers will be special guests at a lunch in the library with Mr. Korman. Congratulations to these contributors:

Mary Burkhart	Mike Higgins
Mike Campbell	Jon Kessel
Koren Cappiello	Jacqueline Kroon
Jordan Costa	Katie McCabe
Meredith Greenberg	Margaret Mallon
	Mary Beth Mugavin

### FOCUS ON YOUR IMAGINATION



Congratulations to Christi Fiore and Jamie Sheridan who tied for Best In Show honors in the library's 12th Annual Young Adult Juried Photography Exhibit . . . and congratulations also to these winners:

1st Place, Abstraction	Jeanne Koch
1st Place, Alternate Techniques	Amy Caccamo
1st Place, Animal	Elizabeth Englert
1st Place, Architecture	Meagan Cavanaugh
1st Place, Documentary	Brian Baudier
1st Place, Hand Painted B/W	Tara Majewski
1st Place, Portrait	Christi Fiore
1st Place, Scenic	Russell Pettit
1st Place, Sequence or Series	Jamie Sheridan
1st Place, Still Life	Jen May

Special thanks to the photography teachers of Northport High School who inspired these talented photographers, and to judges Dennis Masone and Joanne Mulberg for the time and dedication they gave to all the entries.

Winning entries will be on display at Northport Public Library through the month of May.

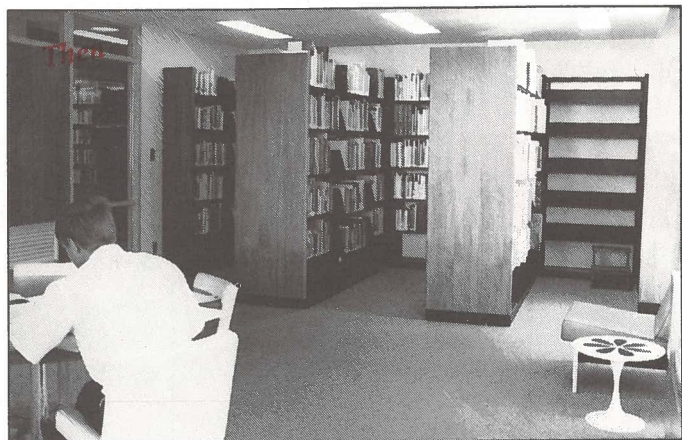
### And the Winner Is . . .

On April 11, the children of the library district voted for *Where the Wild Things Are* as their favorite picture book. The children signed a voter attendance register, entered a real voting booth, and pulled a lever stating their choice. The votes were tabulated and a victory celebration followed.

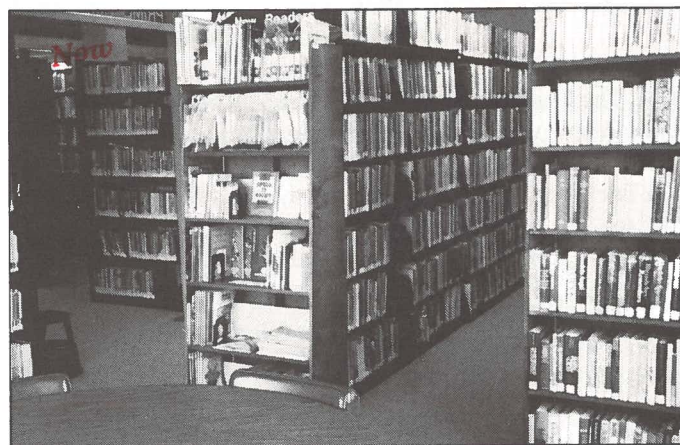





# THE PRIME TIME "ALCOVE"



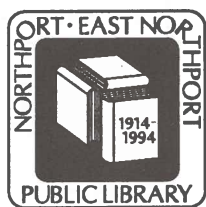
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Today

What is now the Prime Time "Alcove" was originally designed as a quiet reading area. In the early 1970s it became the home for the Library's fine collection of art books. The art book collection grew beyond the shelving capacity of this room. In 1989 it was returned to the mezzanine shelves and interfiled in numerical order with other non-fiction books. The main floor is most accessible for patrons who might have difficulties climbing to the Library's second level; therefore, a decision was made to move the books most read by senior patrons to what is now our Prime Time Alcove. Here magazines, books, and pamphlets on topics of specific interest to patrons who are retired or are considering retirement can be found. In addition to the special  Prime Time collection, large-print books and biographies have

found a home here. The Prime Time Alcove is also used for mini-lecture programs, registrations for Book-A-Trips, HIICAP Medicare Counseling, and blood pressure screening. The weekly Knitters' Circle stitches its creations here, and recently a local chess group adopted this area for its quiet and concentrated play. There is a Prime Time collection at the East Northport Library, shelved with the general collection because there is no room to create a designated Prime Time corner. However, East Northport Prime Timers are active in the Book & Sandwich (W)rap short story discussion group; receive AARP tax assistance; meet with HIICAP Medicare Counselors; and stop by for monthly blood pressure screenings. In East Northport, it's the Children's Room which shares its space for these scheduled Prime Time activities.



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9 to 5 Saturday  
1 to 5 Sunday, Sept. 12 thru June 12 (Northport only)

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