

# LIBRARY

**June 1994** 

### 185 Larkfield Road



The old East Northport School on Larkfield Road housed the collection of the original East Northport Library Branch.

The East Northport Library Association was formed in 1939. A letter written by J. Allen Dunn, chairman of the East Northport Library Association to Frank L. Tolman of the State Education Department epitomizes the cultural climate of the East Northport Library community at this time.

In sum . . . East Northport, which existed as a community before Northport, stretches far to house its 5,500 inhabitants. They are largely farmers, largely second generation Americans and of an extremely cosmopolitan aspect — Germans, Poles, Italians, Slavs, Letts, etc. It is a fact that within five years the children going to Larkfield (East Northport) School will outnumber those going to Northport and that increase will be persistent. A number of houses are being continually built in East Northport. There is a crying need for a library here . . . [in] a community that is eager to become truly American, cooperative in every way to that end, grateful for their citizenship in a free land.

The East Northport Library was officially chartered with the New York State Education Department as a branch of the Northport Library on June 26, 1940.

"The Library is a measure of the Community's learning and culture."

### — For Adults —

### 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." The Ron Odrich Quartet, consisting of pianist John Campbell II, bassist Swartz, drummer Bob Litwak, and clarinetist Ron

Harvie Swartz, drummer Bob Litwak, and clarinetist Ron Odrich, specializes in what some might call a "neo-bop" performance style. "Their's is a superb musical imagination at work," says the *New York Daily News*.

Ticket sales began May 20 and are \$1.00 for adults,  $50\phi$  for students, senior citizens, and disabled persons.

### ESTATE PLANNING: MUSIC TO YOUR HEIRS

Wednesday, June 8, 2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Estate planning experts from Finnegan Planning, Inc. discuss strategies to reduce estate and income taxes and avoid the capital gains tax. Valuable information on trusts and 1994 estate planning updates will be included. All are welcome.

# HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION, COUNSELING & ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

(EN) Fridays, June 10 & June 24, 9:00-12 noon (N) Thursdays, June 23 & 30, 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.



Mondays, June 20 & June 27 7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: \$35

Applications for this six-hour course may be picked up at either library beginning June 6.

# BOOK-A-TRIP

New Hope & Ivyland Railroad, PA Tuesday, June 28, 1994

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

Cost: \$40.00 per person (checks only; payable to Northport Public Library; non-refundable)

Itinerary: Passage aboard the New Hope & Ivyland Railroad. Full-course luncheon at Odette's Restaurant. Shopping time at Peddler's Village.

Return: 8:00 p.m.

Register in person (limit 2 on first day of ticket sale) at the Northport Library beginning June 3.

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

# BOOK & SANDWICH (W)RAP

(EN) Thursday, June 2, 1:00 p.m.

This month we examine stories by acclaimed author Helen Norris from her collection *The Burning Glass*. A burning glass is an archaic term for a magnifying glass. The stories "The Inglenook," "Bread Upon Waters," and "Raisin Faces" illuminate small moments in people's lives. Join in the discussion. Call Michelle Epstein, reference librarian, at 261-6930.



### PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

Wednesdays, June 15, 22 & 29, 7:30 p.m.

Learn how to improve your photographic technique with the help of Dick

Fink, a member of the Huntington Camera Club and master slide exhibitor. Topics will include F-stops, aperture, depth of field, shutter speed, and techniques for portraiture and landscape photography. Please bring the instruction book that came with your camera. Register beginning June 3 by calling 261-6930.

# FAUX FINISH/VINEGAR GRAINING WORKSHOP

Tuesday, June 14, 7:30 p.m.

Give an old look to a new friend and transfer mantles, frames, and furniture into original masterpieces. Esther Tollen teaches you the 19th century finishing technique of colonial graining. Then you'll apply methods such as comb, putty, and malachite to a papier-mache box. There is an \$8.50 materials fee, payable at registration, which begins June 6.

#### LYME DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP

Most of New York's cases of Lyme Disease occur on Long Island. The Northport Library hosts monthly support group meetings for Lyme Disease sufferers and their families and caregivers. Sponsored by the Long Island Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation, these meetings are informal and are listed on our monthly calendar. This month's meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, June 7, at 7:00 p.m.

### PAYING TRIBUTE TO JAMES V. MCMANUS 1928-1994

Mr. McManus appeared on the doorstep of our library one day in 1988, to offer his services to Northport and East Northport senior citizens. He started the AARP Medicare Counseling program at the library six years ago and was instrumental in working to build what has become a vital resource for community patrons today. Mr. McManus was a community-minded individual who devoted time and energy to matters of concern to seniors. He will be greatly missed.

### — For Young Adults —

FOR YOUNG ADULTS
entering grade 6 and up

This summer, Make TIME for BOOKS and join us for an exciting summer of books, buttons, stickers, puzzles... and more. Read one book, and you will be featured on the Young Adult Bulletin Board, with all those who Make TIME for BOOKS...

and, each book you make TIME for makes you eligible for the weekly drawing for a free paperback. So, sign up at the reference desk in either Northport or East Northport beginning June 20, and start to Make TIME for BOOKS.

### NO TIE/TYE DYE

Thursday, July 7, 7:00 p.m.

Experience the timeless technique of tye dying with modern fabric dyes and more. Tee shirt or tank top, it's your choice. Bring your new, 100% cotton or 50%/50% polyester and cotton, pre-washed top — don't use fabric softener — to the workshop. Stop by the Northport building for a peek at what this summer's hot item will be. There is a \$5.00 materials fee payable at registration, which is limited, and begins June 25 at both buildings.

### COMING IN JULY...

... a three-session Photography Workshop that will take you "on location" in Northport Village. Look for the details in the July newsletter!

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AHOY YOUNG BOATERS!

Thursdays, June 9 & 23, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 28, 7:00-9:00 p.m. &

Thursday, June 30, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Both New York State and the Town of
Huntington require boat operators ages ten
through sixteen to possess a New York State
Young Boater's License. Your library offers
the official boating safety course conducted
by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Upon
successful completion of this four-session
course, participants will be presented with the
necessary certificate, identification, and patch
by the auxiliary. Young boaters should register
beginning Thursday, June 2 at either the
Northport or East Northport building. Registration is limited, and library district residents
will be given preference at registration.

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**Exhibits** 

Northport
Adult — Oil paintings by Jan Guidotti
Case — Northport Historical Society

East Northport

Adult — Alix's Portraits by Alix Farrell

## Northport-East Northport Public Library

### Calendar of Events June 1994

### **Floral Decorations**

Northport: Mary Ellen Karl of the Northport Community Garden Club with flowers donated by Flower Basket East Northport: Joyce Flick of the Larkfield Community Garden Club

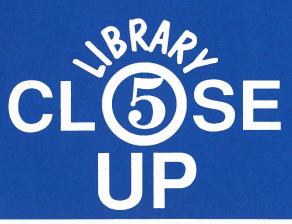
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Company Chart	*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Toddler Time (N) 1:30 pm  Free Blood Pressure Check (N) 1-3 pm; (EN) 3:15-4 pm  Great Books (N) 8 pm	Registration begins for Ahoy Young Boaters on 6/9, 6/23, 6/28, 6/30  Book & Sandwich (W)rap (EN) 1 pm	Ticket sales begin for Book-A-Trip to New Hope & Ivyland Railroad on 6/28  Registration begins for Photography Workshop beginning 6/15  Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	Theatreworks presents The Adventures of Stuart Little (N) 11 am & 1 pm
5	Applications available for Defensive Driving on 6/20 & 6/27  Registration begins for Faux Finish/Vinegar Graining Workshop on 6/14  *Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am	*Toddler Time (N) 10 am & 11 am  Lyme Disease Support Goup (N) 7 pm	*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Toddler Time (N) 1:30 pm  Estate Planning: Music to Your Heirs (N) 2 pm & 7 pm	*(YA) Ahoy Young Boaters (N) 7 pm	*Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (EN) 9 am-12 noon by appt.  Novel Ideas (N) 1 pm  Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm  *The Ron Odrich Quartet (N) 8 pm	11
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19 Library Closed Happy Father's Day!	Registration begins for MAKE TIME FOR BOOKS Summer Reading Program for Young Adults  Registration begins for Summer Reading Club (N&EN) 1-8 pm  Registration begins for Read-Around-the-Clock Tee Workshops on 6/27 & 6/28  *Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm	Registration begins for Summer Reading Club (N&EN) 1-8 pm  Registration begins for Book Worms beginning 6/28  Registration begins for Personalized Banner Workshop on 6/28  Library Board of Trustees Meeting (N) 3:45 pm	Registration begins for Summer Reading Club (N&EN) 1-8 pm  *Photography Workshop (N) 7:30 pm	Registration begins for Summer Reading Club (N&EN) 1-8 pm Tickets available for Goowin's Balloowins on 6/30 *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (N) 1-4 pm by appt. *(YA) Ahoy Young Boaters (N) 7 pm	24 Registration begins for Chess Instruction Series beginning 7/1 *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (EN) 9 am-12 noon by appt.  Registration begins for Summer Reading Club (N&EN) 1-8 pm  Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	Registration begins for Summer Reading Club (N&EN) 10 am - 3 pm  Registration begins for YA No Tie/Tye Dye on 7/7
26 Library Closed	*Read-Around-the-Clock Tee (N) 3 pm & 4:30 pm  *Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm	Registration begins for July Mother Goose Registration begins for 7/5 (EN) Workshop *Book-A-Trip to New Hope & Ivyland Railroad departs 8 am *Read-Around-The-Clock Tee (Mommy & Me) (N) 3 pm *Personalized Banner Workshop (EN) 3:30 pm *Bookworms (N) 7 pm *(YA) Ahoy Young Boaters (N) 7 pm	Registration begins for Puppet Workshop Series beginning 7/6  Story Parade (N) 3:30 pm  *Photography Workshop (N) 7:30 pm	Tickets available for the Dino Show on 7/7  *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (N) 1-4 pm by appt.  *Goowin's Balloowins (N) 4 pm  *(YA) Ahoy Young Boaters (N) 7 pm		

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.

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# The East Northport Library Branch 1940

# PUBLIC NOTICE ISSUED AT THE TIME OF THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARY:

You the people of East Northport have for several years expressed the hope that an adequate Public Library be established in your fast-growing community.

Preliminary plans have been in the hands of a local committee since last Fall. These plans have worked out — books are being collected and purchased; a capable librarian, Miss Flora Covert, has been engaged and is now at work, [Miss Flora Covert was a certified librarian and had worked in the library of the Thompson Company] assisted by two junior aids supplied by the National Youth Administration.

It is now possible to announce that our Library will open to serve the public

April 8, 1940
in the old Larkfield Ave. School building.
The schedule of the library hours follows.
Monday 10-4
Wednesday 3-9
Friday 10-4

There will be available about 700 titles, including 50 latest "best sellers" both fiction and non-fiction; a shelf of children's books selected in cooperation with local public school authorities; and a varied selection of classic fiction, history, travel, biography, etc.

The success of your Library will be assured if <u>YOU</u> will help in the following ways:

- 1. Donate books and periodicals.
- 2. Enroll as a member.
- 3. Make suggestions for books.

In June of 1940, the Library had 321 registered borrowers and approximately 1200 titles in its collection. A year later, the collection had almost doubled, and the number of borrowers had doubled.

The East Northport Library Board was anxious to impress the public, and many ways were found to publicize the library. In March 1940, a photographic competition was held, and in September, the acquisitions list was posted in the railroad station and in the post office. Public school teachers gave story hours in the library. In 1943, a Shelf of the Month was started to stimulate readers.

On March 27, 1945, the East Northport Library was destroyed by fire. Few of the books were destroyed, for the community turned out to help. The Boy Scouts formed a book brigade and transported the books to a hardware store across the street. The following notice was published in the papers:

### 1945

The Board of Trustees of the East Northport Public Library wish to extend their thanks to the residents of the community for the excellent work performed by them during the fire in the Library last Saturday,

It is requested that all those who have library books in their possession hold them until further notice so they can be returned and checked with the Library records, which were saved.

Notification will be made by mail to all members when the Library is ready to reopen.

£1.

The books were stored in an unused classroom in the public school until April when the Leighton building across from the old Library on the corner of Eighth Avenue and Larkfield Road was rented for \$420 a year. Insurance funds were received. The board decided that rather than try to restore the old building, the funds should be used to build a new building. The new building was completed and occupied in 1949.

In 1966, a small addition was made to the Branch to house an ever-burgeoning book collection. Over the next 20 years, the Branch experienced a tremendous growth spurt. Today, the Branch is a popular materials center. With over 70,000 volumes available for circulation, its collection is larger and more comprehensive than more than half of the 54 public libraries in Suffolk County. Circulation figures continue to grow as does the collection. The already cramped quarters are becoming even tighter with the influx of new technologies. Solutions are being sought. The Board, in planning a future which will offer more space and building accessibility, is looking to continue library service in East Northport, a community which for more than 50 years has depended on a library in its neighborhood.

Statistics Bear Out . . . They're Bullish on the Branch!

# DOW and Jones THE LIBRARY ACTIVITY INDICATORS

1993 Branch Stats

East Northport Population 20,410
Items Borrowed 157,232
Reference Questions 14,354
Computer Use 1,975
Children's Programs - Attendance 3,899

"When a branch is well justified, it has a great importance of its own."

 Wheeler & Goldhor's Practical Administration of Public Libraries



# Read Around The Clock

### **Summer Reading Club 1994**



(children must register in person) June 20 - 24 1 pm - 8 pm

June 25

10 am - 3 pm

### Hours

Monday - Friday June 27 - August 4 9 am - 8 pm

#### ATTENTION PARENTS!

them. An early introduction to books and reading programs does make a difference in a child's life. Help us help your child discover a lifelong love of books and learning.

### **THEATREWORKS** presents THE ADVENTURES OF STUART LITTLE

(N) Saturday, June 4, 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

Northport High School's Theatreworks class proudly presents this endearing classic about a mouse named Stuart who is born into an ordinary New York family. All the charm, wisdom, and joy is captured in this adaptation by Joseph Robinette. The many adventures — both big and small — of Stuart Little are brought vividly to life in this story theater presentation. This is a timeless tale for children of all ages. All are welcome.

### PUPPET WORKSHOP SERIES

Registration begins June 29. (EN) Wednesdays, July 6, 13, 20, 27, 3:30 p.m.

Create your own puppet and join the other puppeteers in writing and presenting a puppet show which will be videotaped.

### **CHESS WORKSHOP SERIES**

(N) Fridays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Aug. 12 3:30 p.m. Grades 4-up. Fee: \$1.00

Emmalee Lacy Dyling, a member of the U.S. Chess Federation, will use official chess federation materials to assist children with no previous knowledge of chess in learning the game. Registration begins June 24.



### PERSONALIZED BANNER WORKSHOP

(EN) Tuesday, June 28, 3:30 p.m. Gr. 1-up Fee: \$1.00

Create your very own banner for your room. Registration begins June 21.



















Saturdays July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10 am - 3 pm

Our annual summer reading clubs are designed for children who read on their own, as well as children who have books read to

### GOOWIN'S BALLOOWINS

(N) Thursday, June 30 4:00 p.m. Gr. K-up

Master balloon sculptor Allynn "Goowin" doesn't put on a show — he is a show! Your creative imaginations help to orchestrate the fun. Tickets available beginning Thursday, June 23.



### **READ-AROUND-THE-CLOCK TEE**

Registration begins Monday, June 20 Fee: \$1.00 (N) Monday, June 27

3:00-4:00 p.m. (Gr. K-up) 4:30-5:30 p.m. (Gr. K-up) (N) Tuesday, June 28

3:00-4:00 p.m. (Mommy & Me; Ages 3-5 years)

Using a variety of fabric paints, stencils, glitters, and stones, create your own celestial t-shirt. Perfect for the beach or pool.

You will need to bring a prewashed white, gray or ivory colored t-shirt of 100% cotton or a 50%/50% blend.

### **BOOK WORMS:** A YOUNG REVIEWERS' GROUP

Tuesdays, June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 26, Aug. 2.
Attention incoming 5th and 6th graders!

Please join us for our summer book reviewers' group. We will talk about the books that you've read and your reactions to them. New books will be displayed at each meeting. A newsletter with your own reviews will be published at the last session. Come join the fun on Tuesday nights. Refreshments will be served. Register beginning June 21.

### STORY PARADE Gr. K-4

(N) Wednesdays, June 29 through July 27, 3:30 p.m. No registration, just come!

### Reflections on the Importance of a Community Library

Then

From a library patron, circa 1939 (the year the East Northport Library Branch was founded)

Now







My father raised six children on \$10.50 a week (for 55 hours of work a week) until the Great Depression; and then there were weeks when only an occasional day of work could be found, and usually the pay was only 50 cents for that day.

There were times when there was no food in the house, and our father made us wash and iron our one good cotton dress or khaki suit, and wear it to church on Sunday and to school the rest of the week.

When I was nine, I discovered the public library three miles from my home, and had a wonderful experience with Alice in "Through the Looking Glass." As I grew older, I dueled with Rafael Sabatini's "Scaramouche," rode with Zane Grey's "Riders of the Purple Sage," laughed with Damon Runyon's "Guys and Dolls," and traveled all over the world.

I have sat in the presence of Plato, Socrates, Nietzsche, Voltaire, George Bernard Shaw, and Clarence Darrow. Because I could read, I have never been poor.

— Howard Childress, Tenn.

Source: Newsday, May 10, 1994, pg. 16









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9 to 9 Monday thru Friday

9 to 5 Saturday

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

### Northport-East Northport Public Library

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