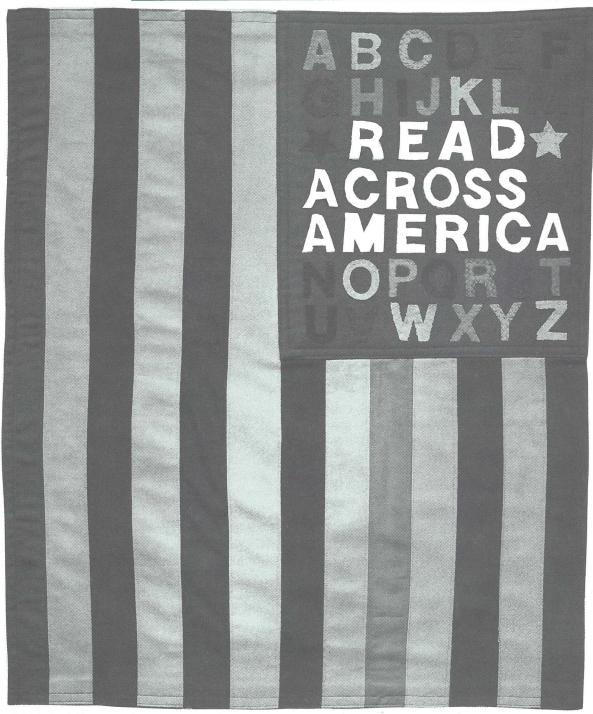


# THE LIBRARY

November 1994



\* Read Across America \*

75th Anniversary of National Children's Book Week \* 1919-1994



— For Adults —

## THE OTHER VIC THEATRE presents MARVIN'S ROOM Friday, November 18 8:00 p.m.

Bessie lives in Florida where she cares for her aunt and ailing father Marvin. Having isolated

herself for years she receives the untimely news that she has leukemia and that her only hope is a marrow transplant. She is forced to contact her estranged sister and off-beat family as possible marrow donors. A humorous, dark comedy that won the 1991-92 Obie award.

Tickets, which go on sale Nov. 5, are \$1.00 for adults, 50¢ for students, senior citizens, and persons who are disabled.

## GETTING YOUR NON-FICTION PUBLISHED

Wednesday, November 9, 7:30 p.m.

Writer and editor Liza Burby offers tips on getting your non-fiction published. From conception of an idea to final publication, she guides you through the steps of manuscript preparation, writing the query letter, and marketing your work. All are welcome.



## OIL PAINTING: LANDSCAPE/ FLORAL/SEASCAPE WET-ON-WET TECHNIQUE

Tuesdays, November 29, December 6 & 13 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Discover the artist in you! Bob Montusi, a certified Bob Ross instructor, will help you complete a ready-to-frame painting at each session. Please bring a 16" x 20" stretched canvas to each class. A materials fee of \$5 will be collected for each session to cover the cost of paint and use of supplies. Registration begins Nov. 12.



to New York City Ballet's *Nutcracker* Sunday, December 18, 1994

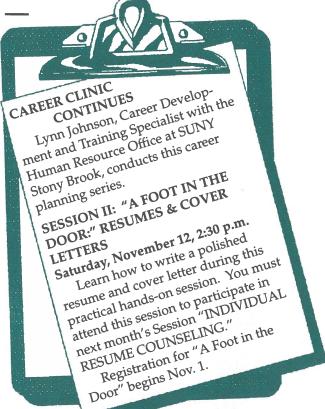
**Departure:** 9:30 a.m. from the Middleville School Parking Lot.

**Cost:** \$68.00 per person (checks only; payable to Northport Public Library; non-refundable)

**Itinerary:** Enjoy this holiday classic from second ring seats. Lunch on your own before the 1:00 p.m. performance.

Return: 7:00 p.m.

Register in person (limit 2 on first day of ticket sale) at the Northport Library beginning Nov. 4.



## JOURNAL WRITING FOR FAMILY HISTORIANS Tuesday, November 15, 7:30 p.m.

The universal desire to record our own place in history has led to a resurgence of journal writing and memoir-keeping among people of all ages. Susan Lieber, educator and free-lance writer, will lead a workshop emphasizing techniques and strategies to facilitate the gathering and recording of family memories that include holiday stories, anecdotes, recipes, and traditions. Also included will be exercises in writing and interviewing skills, exercises in recalling memories, and writing travel memoirs. Bring a pad, pen, and lots of stories! All are welcome.

#### **NOVEL IDEAS**

(N) Monday, November 14, 7:30 p.m. (N) Friday, November 18, 1:00 p.m.

Amongst Women by John McGahern and Black Dogs by Ian McEwan will be discussed this month. To join this group, contact Dodie Gillman, reference librarian, at 261-6930.

### **BOOK & SANDWICH (W)RAP**

(EN) Thursday, November 3, 1:00 p.m. (N) Tuesday, November 8, 7:30 p.m.

This month we discuss "Across the Bridge," and "The Chosen Husband." Canadian author Mavis Gallant sets these stories in Montreal & Paris.

To participate in the discussions and reserve copies of the stories, contact the reference desk at 261-6930. Ask for Michelle Epstein, group coordinator, or any reference librarian.

## Sunday Family Special CHRISTMAS & CHANUKAH AROUND THE WORLD

December 4, 2:00 p.m.

Singer Dayle Friedman takes us on a fascinating trip in story and song, illustrating how holidays are celebrated in



many lands. Animated figures and festive costumes lend a foreign accent. Traditions from England, Wales, Germany, Sweden, Italy, Spain, Mexico, Japan, and Scotland, as well as American Christmas and Chanukah observances are included. Tickets are available in the children's room beginning Nov. 19.

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## "CREATE A HOLIDAY GIFT" WORKSHOP

Wednesday, November 16, 7:00 p.m.

Use fragrant potpourri to design an elegant pomander ball. Hang it as a decorative piece or tuck it away as a dresser drawer sachet. Design a unique holiday box using a faux sponging technique with a variety of acrylic paints including metallic colors. Ribbons, roses, gold cording, and silk leaves add the finishing touch. Both crafts can be made during this workshop. Bring hot glue gun, additional glue sticks, extension cord, and scissors. A fee of \$7.50 per craft is payable at registration which begins Nov. 5.



## 55/ALIVE MATURE DRIVER PROGRAM

Mondays, November 14 & 21, 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. (half-hour break; please bring your lunch, beverages will be provided)

AARP's two-part course is open to anyone 50 years of age or older. Register Nov. 2 at the Northport Library. There is an \$8 fee payable at registration.



Night Owl Session:

Wednesday, December 7 & Thursday, December 8. 6:30-10:30 p.m.

Register Nov. 19 at the Northport Library.



© (EN) Fridays, Nov. 4 & 18, 9:00-12:00 noon by appt.
Call 261-6930 to make an appointment in Northport, or
261-2313 to make an appointment in East Northport.



Monday, November 14 & Monday, November 21 7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: \$35 Applications for this six-hour

course may be picked up at either library beginning Nov. 3.

#### **Exhibits**

Northport

Adult — Sculpture of Marie-Christine Trager
Case — Election Button Collection of Alden Neal

East Northport

Adult — Centennial Photo Exhibit by Young Adult Summer Photography Workshop Participants

## Northport-East Northport Public Library

## Calendar of Events November 1994



#### Floral Decorations

Northport: Shirley Geller of the Northport Community Garden Club with flowers donated by Northport Floral East Northport: Irene Ackerman of the Larkfield Community Garden Club

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Registration begins for YA Study Skills Workshop, on 11/7 & 11/14 Registration begins for "A Foot in the Door:" Resumes & Cover Letters, on 11/12.  *Tales for Two (N) 10 am & 11 am  *Story Parade (N) 4 pm  *College Essay-Writing Workshop (N) 7:30 pm	Registration begins for 55/ Alive Mature Driver Program, on 11/14 & 11/21  *Tales for Two (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Tales for Two (N) 1:30 pm  Free Blood Pressure Check (N) 1-3 pm; (EN) 3:15-4 pm  *American Sign Language (N) 7:30 pm  Great Books (N) 8 pm	Applications available for Defensive Driving, on 11/14 & 11/21  *Mother/Infant Discussion Group (N) 10 am  *Book & Sandwich (W)rap (EN) 1 pm  *Story Parade (EN) 4 pm	Ticket sale begins for Book-A-Trip to the Nutcracker on 12/18 Registration begins at adult circulation desk for Grand Memories *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance (EN) 9 - 12 noon by appt. *Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am *For Fours (EN) 10 am & 11 am Young Adult Book Reviewers (N) 4-5 pm Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	Ticket sales begin for The Other Vic Theatre's production of <i>Marvin's Room</i> , on 11/18 Registration begins for "Create a Holiday Gift" Workshop, on 11/16
6	*Tales for Two (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *For Fours (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *YA Study Skills Workshop (N) 4:30-5:45 pm  Lyme Disease Support Group (N) 7 pm	*Tales for Two (N) 10 am & 11 am  *For Fours (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Story Parade (N) 4 pm  Book & Sandwich (W)rap (N) 7:30 pm	*Tales for Two (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Tales for Two (N) 1:30 pm  *American Sign Language (N) 7:30 pm  Getting Your Non-Fiction Published (N) 7:30 pm	*Mother/Infant Discussion Group (N) 10 am  *For Fours (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (N) 1-4 pm by appt.  *Story Parade (EN) 4 pm	Veterans Day - Library Open  Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	Registration begins for Oil Painting, on 11/29, 12/6 & 12/13  *Grand Memories Workshop, part 1: Preparing for Your Taping (N) 10 am  *"A Foot in the Door:" Resumes & Cover Letters (N) 2:30 pm
13	14 National Children's Book Week November 14-20 *Tales for Two (EN) 10 am & 11 am *For Fours (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm *55/Alive Mature Driver Program (N) 10 am *YA Study Skills Workshop (N) 4:30-5:45 pm *Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm Novel Ideas (N) 7:30 pm	*Tales for Two (N) 10 am & 11 am  *For Fours (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Story Parade (N) 4 pm  Library Board of Trustees Meeting (N) 7 pm  Journal Writing for Family Historians (N) 7:30 pm	*Tales for Two (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Tales for Two (N) 1:30 pm  *American Sign Language (N) 7:30 pm  *"Create A Holiday Gift" Workshop (N) 7 pm  Great Books (N) 8 pm	*For Fours (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *Story Parade (EN) 4 pm  *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (N) 1-4 pm by appt.  Adoption Roundtable Discussion (N) 7:45 pm	18 *Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance (EN) 9-12 noon by appt.  *Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am  *For Fours (EN) 10 am & 11 am  Novel Ideas (N) 1 pm  Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm  *The Other Vic Theatre presents  Marvin's Room (N) 8 pm	Tickets available for Sunday Family Special, on 12/4 Registration begins for Night Owl 55/Alive Mature Driver Program, on 12/7 & 12/8 *Grand Memories Workshop, part 2: Taping Session (N) by appt.
20	*For Fours (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *55/Alive Mature Driver Program (N) 10 am  *Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm	<b>22</b> *For Fours (EN) 10 am & 11 am	23 Library Closes at 5 pm	Thanksgiving Day - Library Closed  Thanksgiving Thanksgiving	25  Knitters' Circle (N) 7 pm	26
Sunday Study Hall (N) 1:30-4:30 pm	*On My Own (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *For Fours (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm	*For Fours (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *On My Own (N) 10 am & 11 am  *Oil Painting (N) 6:30 pm	*On My Own (EN) 10 am & 11 am *On My Own (N) 1:30 pm  *American Sign Language (N) 7:30 pm  *Nursery School Night (N) 7:45 pm Great Books (N) 8 pm	SUNDAY STUDY HALL COMMENCES  Sundays at the library are busy days. If the computers, copy machines, and lots and lots of people looking for information and entertainment are diverting your attention from your studies, you will find quiet in the community room during Sunday Study Hall.  Stop by the reference desk to inquire about special sign-out privileges for reference materials for use in the Study Hall.  This month Study Hall is on November 27.		

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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"One can never creep when one feels the impulse to soar."

— Helen Keller

## Information Knows No **BOUNDS**

As with any library service, accessibility issues and answers are constantly evolving. Our talented ABLE Advisors are providing guidance to help us offer services, materials, and capital improvements to make access to and use of the library readily available to all.

It gives me great pleasure to introduce you to three dynamic individuals — our ABLE Advisors.

— Mrs. Stephanie Heineman Library Director



Concetta Pipia has been a resident of Northport since 1979. She is a graduate of Parsons School of Design and Touro College School of Law. Ms. Pipia recently converted a barn on her property into an accessible primary residence, and has launched a business that focuses on access-

sible environmental design. She accomplishes much of her business market research in the library, utilizing computerized magazine and newspaper indexes. Ms. Pipia also values the library's extensive information resources and has always turned to the public library for pleasure reading.

This summer, Liz O'Connor celebrated her 12th year working at the Northport-East Northport Public Library. A native of Northport and a graduate of the Mill Neck School for the Deaf, Liz began her work with us as a part-time library page. Mending books, pasting book pockets, and



hours and hours of shelving books did not dampen her dedication and enthusiasm for library work. In 1987, Liz successfully passed the Civil Service examination for Library Clerk and was promoted to full-time. Since then, computers have redefined her work in the Technical Services Department providing her with new challenges and allowing her to master complex skills. Liz is a skilled communicator. Her ability to read lips and sign, combined with her spirited personality, make her a valued asset on staff.



East Northport resident Harold F. Leschziner is a military hero who received a bronze star of valor for saving his air crew during active duty. The Colonel continues to put others first. He recently donated a Kurzweil personal reader machine to the library to give more people

with visual disabilities an opportunity to access the library's vast collection of written resources. Retired Col. Leschziner has used the library's Talking Books Plus outreach services for nearly a decade. Says Col. Leschziner, "the library means everything to me."

## The Power of Books

Excerpts from

## An Essay by James J. Trelease

The writer Graham Greene once observed that books are at their most powerful in childhood. He is right, of course, for it is then that our minds are most open and innocent, when we are ready and willing to believe that animals can talk, lost children can fly, houses can be made of gingerbread, and that when our punishments are done our dinners will be waiting for us (and they will still be warm).

Of course, against modern technology's immediacy — like videos moving thousands of frames a second — the pace of a book pales by comparison. But "the race is not to the swift," Aesop reminded us, and when you compare a book and video in long-range power, it is the book that wins. Nothing short of another living, loving human being can equal a book in its power to simultaneously move, influence, change, heal, excite, educate, and inspire. Blessedly, books come already assembled, no batteries needed, don't go out of style, leave none of candy's cavities, and wear out less easily than toys.

But initially the book is not enough. Books and people do not have Velcro sides. We do not naturally attach to each other. In the beginning there must be a bonding agent — parent, relative, neighbor, teacher, or librarian — someone who attaches book to reader. Just as there is no player in the National Basketball Association who was born wanting to play ball, no one is born wanting to read. The desire to play basketball or read must be planted by someone outside the child. Psychologists call such a person the "significant other."

But none of it will add up to much without that "sig-

nificant other" who brings child and book together in a grip that lasts a lifetime.

In a sense, it is what Plato was talking about when he said it is the responsibility of people who carry torches to pass them on. The magnificent torch of literacy has a flame that must be fanned by moving it from generation to generation, from one reader to another, from an adult to a child.

Books are a powerful tool. In creating a nation of readers, we create the torch bearers and leaders of tomorrow.

This essay appears in its entirety in a bibliography entitled **75** Authors & **SIlustrators Everyone Should Know.** The bibliography was produced as a cooperative project by the libraries in the Town of Huntington. Copies are now available in the Children's Room through the month of December.

## — For Children —

## National Children's Book Week ★ November 14-20, 1994

During this week celebrate with us the joys to be found in reading and encourage your children to find enjoyment in their reading.



## Grand Memories

#### WORKSHOP

A two-part series.

Your grandchildren will never forget the thrill of seeing and hearing you read to them on videotape. In this special program, a limited number of grandparents will be able to tape their favorite stories for their grandchildren ages 12 and under. Registration begins on Friday, Nov. 4. Materials fee: \$4.00.

## Part 1: Preparing For Your Taping Saturday, November 12, 10:00 a.m.

- Work with a children's librarian to select your favorite stories.
- Receive tips on appearing in front of a camera.
- Practice reading aloud and preview the results.
- Select your taping time.

### Part 2: Taping Session

Saturday, November 19, by appointment only

The library will provide the video equipment and personnel, as well as the blank tape and a special video case which can be personalized. What better present could you give to your grandchildren for the holidays!

#### **★** Attention Parents ★

## **NEIGHBORHOOD NURSERY SCHOOL NIGHT**

Please join us on Wednesday, November 30, 7:45 p.m., at the Northport Library, when representatives of the area nursery schools will be available to discuss their schools' philosophy, goals, and objectives. After the formal presentations, parents will have time to speak with the representatives for further information regarding school programs and registration.

### ADOPTION ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Thursday, November 17, 7:45 p.m.

November is National Adoption Awareness Month. Linda Halpern, of the Adopted Parents Committee of Long Island, joins parents, teen adoptees, and professionals who will share their experiences with adoption in our community. Northport resident Barbie Osterling has orchestrated the evening's discussion. Concerns of parents waiting for an adoptive child as well as issues of multi-cultural assimilation will also be addressed. All are welcome.

## — For Young Adults —

#### STUDY SKILLS WORKSHOP Gr. 7-10

Mondays, November 7 & 14, 4:30-5:45 p.m.

THOSE

Homework, tests, reports! Feeling overwhelmed? If you're trying to figure out how to get it all done, or even where to begin, help is on the way. Come to the two-session study skills workshop and get organized.

The sessions will cover setting

goals, note-taking, studying, and time management. School SHARPEN Tool, a study skills handbook designed to keep you on track, as well as other study skills materials, are provided to all participants. Enrollment is limited, and attendance at both sessions is required. A \$4.00 materials fee is

payable at registration, which begins at both library buildings Nov. 1. This study skills workshop is held at the Northport Building in the Community Room.

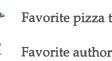
#### YOUNG ADULT BOOK REVIEWERS

Friday, November 4, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

It's not too late to become a book reviewer. Come to the November meeting in the Community Room at the Northport building, and join the group! Enjoy book talkin', soda, and cookies and become a contributor to *Journey Into Books*, the popular annual collection of the group's reviews of hot, new YA books. Call Mrs. Romer, Young Adult Librarian, at 261-6930 if you have any questions.

## What Was Hot During the Summer of '94

More results from the Teen Survey, distributed during the summer in the library.



Favorite pizza topping . . . EXTRA CHEESE

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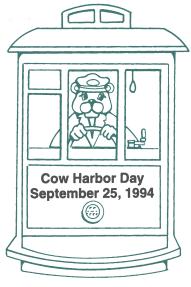
Favorite author . . . R.L. STINE

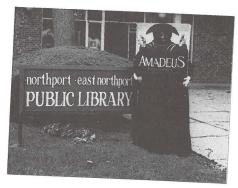
Favorite car . . . CORVETTE

## Parade of the Century!







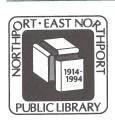






## Thank You Mei Ling!

Long-time library patron and local resident, Mei Ling Louie Reason is a well-known artist and designer. She is often in the library doing research for her company's product designs and for the many community service projects she undertakes. It was Mei Ling's costume creations that brought the library's collection to life at the Cow Harbor Day Parade.



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