

# NEWSLETTER

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# SPECIAL EDITION



### ORAL HISTORY VALUABLE HISTORICAL RESOURCE

In a personal and immediate fashion, oral history captures the impact of events on the residents of a town as well as recording the roles of these individuals in shaping its day to day life. More than likely, these accounts would not have found their way into the written history recorded in official documents and newspapers. Historians tap oral history for their research; residents new and old link up to their community's past through these recollections.

The Northport-East Northport Public Library has been recording oral history since the 1960s. In addition, the library houses oral history tapes produced by the Northport Historical Society. Our collection includes over thirty audiocassette reminiscences of area residents: Effie Clerke Mott on the oyster industry and the publishing company, John Blydenburgh on the Northport trolley and Main Street, plus Thomas Chesebrough, Rudy Ketcham, Charles Partridge, and more. Also available is the famous library interview with Jack Kerouac recorded in 1964 when he lived in Northport. All are available for borrowing.



Mahel Carll with classmates Photo courtesy of Northport Historical Society



Balloon factory c. 1918

**UNDERWAY** 

**HISTORY PROJECT** 

# **EAST NORTHPORT ORAL**

During the past few months, representatives of the library have been recording the recollections of longtime East Northport residents John and Mary Gillman, Carl Hoschel, Maurine Failey, Louis Amsler, Joan Cowan, and Roy Lynch. The memoirists have related the history of Richter's Orchard and the Silberstein farm, described the difficulties of living without a reliable supply of water, and told of their experiences during the opening day of Larkfield School and the 1938 hurricane. These accounts are now available on audiocassette in both buildings.

The library expresses its appreciation to those who have participated in the East Northport Oral History Project and enhanced our understanding of the area's past. The project is ongoing. If you have reminiscences to share, please leave your name and telephone number at the Reference Desk, or call Barbara Johnson, project librarian, at 261-6930.

The Long Island Archives Conference, which coordinates the Archives Week activities in our area, has published a calendar of events, available at the Reference Desk.

### NEW YORK ARCHIVES WEEK. OCT. 13-19, CELEBRATED AT **OUR LIBRARY**

On exhibit at the Northport Library: St. Exupery in Asharoken, A Refuge From War. For several months during 1942, the French aviator-author resided in Asharoken and worked on his well-known fantasy, The Little Prince. While here, St. Exupery received English lessons from Northport High School English teacher Adele Breaux. Miss Breaux's published memoir of her acquaintance with St. Exupery is

featured in the display.

In East Northport more than thirty historical photographs of East Northport, recently acquired from the Huntington Historical Society are on exhibit. Photos of the World War I balloon factory, the business district during the 1930s, the Carll farm on Clay Pitts Road, a 1938 baseball game at the field at Larkfield and Pulaski bring back vividly East Northport's past.

Both displays will remain on view throughout the month of October.



Tuesday, October 8, 7:30 p.m.

Tricia Foley, editor-at-large of Victoria magazine, will discuss her new book, Linens and Lace, and her lifelong collection of vintage household linens of New York City and Long Island. Ms. Foley's antique linens are currently on display at the Family Service League of Suffolk County's Showhouse at the Platt-Lamb House in Fort Salonga. All are welcome.

### LONG ISLAND'S OTHER GOLD COAST: THE SOUTH SHORE

Wednesday, October 23, 7:30 p.m.

Raymond and Judith Spinzia will present a slide discussion of the estates of Long Island's south shore, together with information about those houses which may be rented and those which have been used in motion pictures. All are welcome.

#### THE NEW TAX REFORM

Tuesday, October 15, 7:30 p.m.

Representatives from IDS Financial Services Inc. will discuss how to find money in your tax return, tax planning strategies, new IRA rules, and the Gift to Minors Act. No registration required.

### **NOVEL IDEAS**

Friday, Oct. 11, 1:00 p.m. & Wednesday, Oct. 16, 7:30 p.m. This popular group will begin a new season of monthly discussions of contemporary fiction by looking at Possession by A.S. Byatt. If you are interested in joining this group, please call Dodie Gillman at 261-6930.

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

(East Northport) Thursday, October 3, 1:00 p.m.

This new season of our short story discussion group will begin with a video on the life and works of Margaret Atwood and a discussion of her short stories. Please call Branch Librarian Molly Schoen at the East Northport Library (261-2313) to join this group.

#### IN FOCUS

Tuesday, October 1, 7:30 p.m.

Barbara Krupit returns to lead another series of monthly discussions on current events. Whether it's Moscow or Berlin, the price of peace or the state of the economy, discussions focus on events and indicators that are on the top of the news and news to come. All are welcome.



## THE OTHER VIC THEATRE presents DEATH TRAP

Friday, October 18, 8:00 p.m.
This classic thriller by Ira
Levin concerns Sidney Bruhl,

a successful writer of Broadway thrillers, who is struggling to overcome a "dry" spell which has resulted in a string of failures. Suddenly, along comes a brilliant script from one of his students and Sidney begins his devilish plot to take the young man under his wing. Tickets, which go on sale Oct. 4, are \$1.00 for adults, 50¢ for students, senior citizens, and handicapped persons.

#### **DEFENSIVE DRIVING**

Monday, October 28 & Wednesday, October 30 7:00-10:00 p.m. Fee: \$40

Applications for this six-hour course may be picked up at either library beginning Oct. 15.

55/ALIVE MATURE DRIVER COURSE Monday, October 21, 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

& Monday, October 28, 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

AARP's two-part course is open to anyone 50 years of age or older. Please register beginning Oct. 7 at the Northport Library. There is a \$10 fee payable at registration. (half-hour break; please bring your lunch, beverages will be provided.)

# MEDICARE/MEDICAID ASSISTANCE

(EN) Fri., Oct.. 4, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon (EN) Thurs., Oct. 17, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

(Northport) Fri., Oct. 25, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon (Northport) Thursday, Oct. 31, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Call 261-6930 to make an appointment in Northport, or 261-2313 to make an appointment in East Northport with AARP-trained representatives Tom Henry and Stu Goldblatt.



Composer and pianist Anthony Zano began his professional career at the age of 13. Since that time he has earned a doctorate in music composition, taught and lectured at several colleges and conservatories in the U.S., and authored a book on the art of improvisation in modern jazz. Other members of the trio are Phil Bowler on bass and Jeff Brown on drums.

In addition to performing with his own orchestra and trio, Mr. Zano has recorded with numerous jazz personalities include Charlie Mariano, Pepper Adams, Dick Johnson, Eddie Bert, and Hal McKusick. Tickets (\$1.00 for adults, 50¢ for students, senior citizens, and handicapped persons) go on sale Oct. 11.

Co-sponsored by International Art of Jazz, Inc., the National Endowment for the Arts, the N.Y. State Council on the Arts, and the Suffolk County Office of Cultural Affairs.

# Northport-East Northport Public Library

# Calendar of Events October 1991

Sunday	y Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Mommy & Me (N) 10 am & 11 am  In Focus (N) 7:30 pm	Registration begins for Story Parade Fall Session  *Mommy & Me (EN) 10 am & 11 am  Free Blood Pressure & Weight Check (N) 1-3 pm; (EN) 3:15-5 pm  *Mommy & Me (N) 1:30 pm	Registration begins for Mother/Infant Discussion Group  *Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *Book & Sandwich (W)rap (EN) 1 pm  *(YA) P.S.A.T. Preparation Program (N) 7 pm	Registration begins for Parent/Child Workshop Ticket sales begin for Deathtrap on 10/18 Medicare/Medicaid Assistance (EN) 9-12 am by appt. *Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am Young Adult Book Reviewers (N) 4 pm	*Mother Goose (N) 10 am  *Autumn Wreath Workshop (N) 3:30 pm
6	Registration begins for 55/Alive on 10/21 & 10/28  *Mommy & Me (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Preschool Storytime 10 am & 3:30 pm	*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Mommy & Me (N) 10 am & 11 am  *Linens & Lace (N) 7:30 pm	9 *Mommy & Me (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Mommy & Me (N) 1:30 pm  *Story Parade (N) 4 pm  *A Night At The Opera (N) 7:30 pm  Great Books (N) 8 pm	*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *Mother/Infant Discussion Group (N) 10 am  *(YA) P.S.A.T. Preparation Program (N) 7 pm	11 Ticket sales begin for the Anthony Zano Trio on 10/25 Registration begins for Chess Workshop Series *Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am *Novel Ideas (N) 1 pm *Story Parade (EN) 4 pm *Chess Workshop (N) 4:30 pm	Registration begins for Pumpkin Patch Workshop on 10/19 *Mother Goose (N) 10 am
13	Columbus Day - Library Closed  *Columbus Day Feast (Maxxa Luna Restaurant) 10 am	Registration begins for Defensive Driving on 10/28 & 10/30  Registration begins for Toddler Time  *Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Mommy & Me (N) 10 am & 11 am  The New Tax Reform (N) 7:30 pm	*Mommy & Me (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Mommy & Me (N) 1:30 pm  *Story Parade (N) 4 pm  *Novel Ideas (N) 7:30 pm  *A Night At The Opera (N) 7:30 pm	*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *Mother/Infant Discussion Group (N) 10 am Medicare/Medicaid Assistance (EN) 1-4 pm by appt.  *(YA) P.S.A.T. Preparation Program (N) 7 pm Library Board of Trustees Meeting (N) 7 pm	*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am  *Story Parade (EN) 4 pm  *Chess Workshop (N) 4:30 pm  *The Other Vic Theatre presents Deathtrap (N) 8 pm	*Book-A-Trip to La Boheme departs am  *Mother Goose (N) 10 am  *Pumpkin Patch Workshop (N) 3:30 pm
20	*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *55/Alive Mature Driver Course (N) 10 am	*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Toddler Time (N) 10 am & 11 am  Lyme Disease Support Group (N) 7 pm	23 *Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Toddler Time (N) 1:30 pm  *Story Parade (N) 4 pm  Long Island's Other Gold Coast: The South Shore (N) 7:30 pm  Great Books (N) 8 pm	*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *Mother/Infant Discussion Group (N) 10 am	Medicare/Medicaid Assistance (N) 9-12 am by appt.  *Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Parent/Child Workshop (N) 10 am *Story Parade (EN) 4 pm  *Chess Workshop (N) 4:30 pm  *International Art of Jazz (N) 8 pm	<b>26</b> Registration begins for Autumn Wreath Workshop on 10/5 *Mother Goose (N) 10 am
27	28 Registration begins for Preschool Storytime - Fall Session II  *Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *55/Alive Mature Driver Course (N) 10 am  *Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm	*Preschool Storytime (EN) 10 am & 11 am *Toddler Time (N) 10 am & 11 am	*Toddler Time (EN) 10 am & 11 am  *Toddler Time (N) 1:30 pm  *Story Parade (N) 4 pm  *Defensive Driving (N) 7 pm	*Preschool Storytime (N) 10 am & 3:30 pm  *Mother/Infant Discussion Group (N) 10 am  Medicare/Medicaid Assistance (N) 1-4 pm by appt.	Exhibits  Northport  Adult — Color Pencil Drawings by Sandra Benney Case — Winning entries in League for Animal Protection Pet Photography Contest East Northport Adult — "Water Works" Water Colors of Michael J. Killelea	

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.

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

# — Children's Services —

#### **AUTUMN WREATH WORKSHOP**

(Northport) Saturday, October 5, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Grades 1-up Fee: \$1.00

Create an autumn wreath with Pat Stein. Registration begins Saturday, Sept. 28.

#### CHESS WORKSHOP

(Northport) 8 sessions: Friday, October 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22, December 6, 13, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Grades 3-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 Oct. 11



#### PUMPKIN PATCH WORKSHOP

(Northport) Saturday, October 19 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Ages 3-4 with parent/caregiver Fee: \$1.00.

Create a colorful centerpiece with Connie Lagan. Registration begins Saturday, Oct. 12

#### STORY PARADE — FALL SESSION

(N) Wednesday, Oct. 9, 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 4:00 p.m. (EN) Friday, October 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 4:00 p.m. Grades K-4 Registration begins Wednesday, Oct. 2.

Registrations for

## PARENT/CHILD **WORKSHOP**

(Ages  $2-2^{1}/2$  with parent or caregiver) Registration begins October 4 Northport

Friday, October 11, 18, 25, November 1 & 8, 10:00 a.m.

#### TODDLER TIME — FALL SESSION

(Ages  $2^1/2-3^1/2$ )

Registration begins Tuesday, October 15

Tuesday, Oct. 22, 29, Nov. 5, 12, 19 10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20: 1:30 p.m.

East Northport

Monday, Oct. 21, 28, Nov. 4, 18 10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20 10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

# MOTHER/INFANT **DISCUSSION GROUP**

(Infants 2-12 months with their mother) Registration begins October 3

Northport

PreSchoolers'

**Door to Learning** 

Thursday, October 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7 & 14, 10:00 a.m.

This 6-part series conducted by Jan Sheinkopf encourages mothers to socialize with other mothers while discussing child growth and development. Now, older children are also welcome. We will have a special area for them to interact.

#### PRESCHOOL STORYTIME — FALL SESSION II

(Ages 3<sup>1</sup>/2-5) Registration begins Monday, October 28 Northport

Monday, Nov. 18, 25, Dec. 2, 9, 16: 10:00 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, 21, Dec. 5, 12, 19: 10:00 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3, 10, 17: 10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Friday, Nov. 15, 22, 29, Dec. 6, 13, 20: 10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

# — Young Adult Services —

#### COLUMBUS DAY FEAST

Monday, October 14, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Maxxa Luna Restaurant 6005 Jericho Turnpike, Commack

Video personality Chef Gustavo of Maxxa Luna will lead a cooking demonstration and tasting, and 15 lucky teens will join us for this field trip and gourmet experience.

Each participant will roll out the dough and assemble a gourmet pizza. Chef Gustavo will prepare a few pasta dishes, and everyone will sample the results!

Anyone in grades 6 through 12 may register for a chance to join us. Sign up between Oct. 1 and Oct. 6 at either library. We'll notify the winners on Oct. 7.

## YOUNG ADULT BOOK REVIEWERS GROUP

Friday, October 4, 4:00 p.m.

Join us for soda and cookies and talk about books you've recently read!

- All the newest Young Adult books are displayed each month at our monthly meetings. This is your chance to talk about books you like — and don't like — about books that interest you.
- The reviews you contribute each month will be included in our publication, Journey Into Books, Spring
- As book reviewers, you will be invited to a special spring luncheon with a noted Young Adult author. Come and join the fun!

# LIBRARY PROFILE:



# **PEGGY WEBB**

Hometown: Great Neck

Family: Husband David; son Dave Jr. and his wife Susan

Position: Coordinator, Children's Services M.L.S., Syracuse University

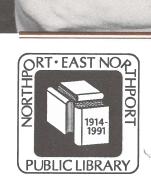
Interests: Reading, cooking, dogs, travel, music, entertaining

Last Book Read: The Short-Cut Cook by Jacques Pepins and Mary Tudor by David Loades

Why I Do What I Do: I enjoy encouraging children to appreciate reading and the wonderful world of children's literature as well as helping establish their basis for lifelong library usage.

Quote: "Children are the true connoisseurs. What's precious to them has no price — only value."

- Bel Kaufman



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