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School of Law, joined the firm upon his graduation in 2006. In January of 2010, Gail Rice left the firm to become a full time judge in the City of New Rochelle.

The free program begins at 9:30 a.m. in the library meeting room and includes complimentary coffee and light breakfast fare.

Eric Jennings continues course on American composers

Professor Eric Jennings continues his exploration of America's great 20th century composers by focusing on the music and life of Cole Porter on Sunday, Feb. 20, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., in the Ossie Davis Theater of the library.

Jennings illustrates his lectures with live selections at the piano, and video clips that captured great moments in song. The final session of the "American Composers" series will feature the works of George Gershwin on Sunday, March 27.

Jennings received an undergraduate degree in Music History with piano and voice minors from the University of Maryland, and a Master of Music from Manhattan School of Music in Vocal Performance. He sang professionally in the opera before retiring in 1998 to pursue a career as a minister. He is also a guest lecturer at local colleges and adult education programs on classical music. Prof. Jennings speaks Italian, French and German, and studied at the Centro Studi Italiani.

"American Composers" is made possible by the Friends of the New Rochelle Public Library; the course is free and registration is not required.

NRPL expands free computer training opportunities

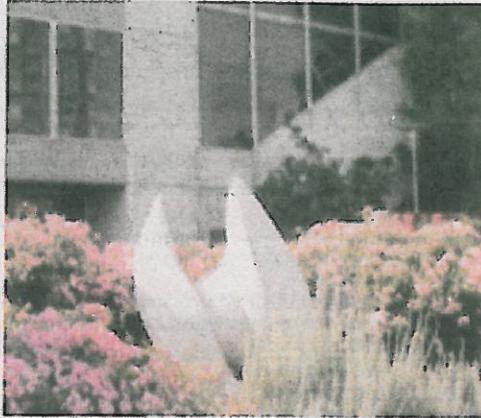
The NRPL has expanded its computer training classes from nine sessions a month to 26 a month, as a result of the library being awarded funding to become a New York State Public Computer Center. All computer classes are free, but registration is required (except GED Preparation). Call 632-7878 ext. 2000 or stop by the Reference Desk on the second floor to register.

The classes are as follows:

"Computer Basics: Mouse and Keyboard Skills" is a one-session class that will be held in Spanish on Monday, Feb. 7, and in English on Mondays, Feb. 14 and Feb. 28, from 10-11:30 a.m. Learn how to use the mouse and keyboard to navigate within the computer's interface. Practice using these two devices with hands-on exercises and online resources.

"Introduction to Microsoft Word" is a one-session class that will be conducted in Spanish on Tuesdays, Feb. 1 and 15, and in English on Tuesdays, Feb. 8 and 22, from 6-7:30 p.m. Learn how to create a simple document, edit and format text, correct spelling, adjust margins, save, print and open files in Microsoft Word.

"How to Set-up and Use an Email Account" is a one-session



class that will be held in Spanish on Saturdays, Feb. 12 and 26, and in English on Saturdays, Feb. 5 and 19, from 10-11:30 a.m. Learn how to sign up for a free e-mail account and how to compose, send, reply to and forward messages. Basic Internet class or some knowledge of computers required.

"How to Design and Create Your Own Business Cards" will show how to design, create and print your own flyers, business cards and other professional-looking materials. An understanding of Windows and keyboard and mouse use is required.

The class will be held on Friday, Feb. 23, from 10-11:30 a.m.

The one-session classes of "Internet for Beginners" will be held on Fridays, Feb. 4 and 25, from 10-11:30 a.m. "Internet for Beginners, in Spanish" will take place on Friday, Feb. 9, from 10-11:30 a.m. Learn about the Internet and the World Wide Web, how to navigate a web browser and explore the library's Web site. An understanding of Windows and keyboard and mouse use is required.

"Intermediate Internet" takes place on Friday, Feb. 11, from 10-11:30 a.m. Learn how to search the web using a variety of tools such as directories and search engines. Basic Computer class or some knowledge of computers required.

"How to Scan and Upload Photographs" will be held on Friday, Feb. 18, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Learn how to scan photos or images, change resolution and size of photos, how to select a file format, and save images to a disk. An understanding of Windows and keyboard and mouse use is required.

"How to Download eBooks & Audiobooks" demonstrates how to use the library's downloadable audiobook service, including how to search through eth library's collection of downloadable audiobooks, how to check one out and download it on to your computer, and how to transfer it to your MP3 Player/iPod or burn it to a CD. The one-session class will be held on Wednesdays, Feb. 2 and 16, from 10-11:30 a.m.

Two job readiness classes will now be offered on a monthly basis. A one-session class on "How to Write a Résumé" will be held Saturdays, Feb. 5 and 19, from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. This class will assist individuals in creating or updating a professional resume. A one-session class on "How to Write a Cover Letter" is being offered on Saturdays, Feb. 12 and 26, from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. A follow-up to "How to Write a Résumé," this class will guide students in writing a professional cover letter. For both classes, participants should know how to use the mouse and keyboard.

Each Saturday afternoon, from 2-5 p.m., one-on-one assistance is available to guide patrons through the on-line training for successful "Preparation for GED." Registration is not required; drop-in to the third-floor Computer Lab.

For more information, call 632-7878 or visit www.nrpl.org.