

THE BOOKMARK

OLD FORGE LIBRARY

FALL 2015

President's Message

It's been the usual busy summer at the library. Every day, rain or shine, the library is full of people, looking for a book, catching up on the news or going online (even on vacation, it seems, people have to check e-mail--I'll never understand that!), and a program nearly every evening. Once again, we've enjoyed hosting residents and seasonal visitors alike. This summer saw many of our traditional events, like the Friends Library Bash, Author's Fair, and The Storytelling Festival, but there were new events as well. The unveiling of our Hundred Year Plus Giving Tree in July, for example, was a great success and will continue to provide our patrons with a way to leave a lasting legacy and memorial.

But now that summer is ending, get ready for something new and exciting:

After Labor Day, we'll be breaking ground on our latest improvement--expansion of the Children's Room. This project will permit us to better serve an important and growing portion of our public and will also increase the size and capabilities of the staff area. When completed, we're sure you'll find the expansion to be a beautiful and efficient addition to our facility.

Financing for the expansion was generously provided by: Ron and Debbie Greene; The Community Foundation of Herkimer and Oneida Counties; the Aaron F. & Faith B. Norton Fund, the A. Richard Cohen Family Fund, the Franklin J. Ely First Lake Foundation Fund; the Rosamond G. Childs Fund; a New York State Educational Construction Grant; a Bullet Grant from State Senator Hugh Farley; and a donation in memory of Mary Diamond. We are deeply appreciative of all who made this expansion possible.

Don Kelly

Book Groups

New members are always welcome to join the Book Groups. Copies of the books to be discussed can be reserved by calling the Library.

Morning Book Group: meets the third Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Upcoming meeting dates and titles for the group are: September 15 ~ *The Nightingale* by Kristen Hannah, October 20 ~ *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd, November 17 ~ *The Blood of Flowers* by Anita Amirrezvani, December 15 ~ *The Shepard, the Angel and Walter the Christmas Dog* by Dave Barry and January 15 ~ *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr.

Evening Book Group: meets the last Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Library. The meeting dates and book titles for this group are: September 28~ *Etta and Otto and Russell and James* by Emma Hooper, October 26 ~ *The Girl Who Fell From the Sky* by Heidi Durrow, November 30 ~ *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr and December 28 ~ *The Chaperone* by Laura Moriarty



Dan Vellone and Doug Green performed for 50 people who met together at the library gazebo for the last open air concert of the year.

Community Meetings at the Library:

The following groups welcome new members!

The Friends of the Library ~ meet on the First Tuesday of each month at Noon.

Pointed Pine Quilters ~ meet on Tuesdays from 1-3 p.m.
Old Forge Camera Club ~ meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 7 p.m.

Library Board of Trustees ~ open to the public, the meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Art Exhibits

"3 Artists Unchained" Art Exhibit: featuring work from Sculp-

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Haley Craig helps her team “The Readinators” design and create their superhero masks to wear.

tress Suzanne Mulvihill Firsching, Painter Stephen Fletcher, and Sculptor, Painter Albert Casatelli. These artist are unchained yet linked, each has their own unique style. The Opening Exhibit Reception will be held Friday September 4 from 5-8 p.m. During the First Friday Art Walk, the public is invited to stop by to meet, talk with the artists, view their work and enjoy light refreshments. The exhibit will be on display September 1-October 9.

Old Forge Camera Club Exhibit: The Opening Exhibit Reception will take place on October 16 from 5-7 p.m. The Camera Club’s members are from the Upstate New York area with a love and passion for not only photography but also the Adirondacks. Their mission is to share their knowledge, comradery, and the Adirondacks through photography and they also focus on helping each other improve their skills.

Pieces of Heart UCP Art Exhibit: This exhibit will be on display from December 3 – January 2 with the Opening Exhibit Reception held on Friday December 4 from 5-7 p.m. Pieces of Heart is a creative expression program of Upstate Cerebral Palsy that was started in 2005 featuring artistic works in a variety of media. The agency’s multi-talented individuals who create these artworks have one thing in common—they are all people with differing abilities. Art provides individuals with opportunities to express their thoughts and feelings, and also increases public awareness of the talents and creativity of those with special needs.

Programs & Events

% Linking Lives Through Reading: The Fall Session of this intergenerational “one-on-one” reading program is for second graders in the Town of Webb and Inlet School Districts. It will be held each Thursday from September 24 through October 29 from 3-4 p.m. Call the Library at 369-6008 by September 19 to register your second grader and/or to volunteer as a “Book Buddy.” Adult Volunteers are always needed.

☀ **Toddler Story Time:** This six-session program will be held on Fridays from September 25 through October 30 from 10:00-10:30 a.m. It is for toddler’s ages 1-2 and a parent or caregiver. Led by Sara Alves-Tapper, children will listen to stories, enjoy puppets, learn finger plays and have some toy time. Registration is not required for this program.

Fall Story Hour: The six-week Story Hour for preschoolers age 3, 4 and 5+ years old will be held at the Library each Friday from September 25 through October 30 from 11 a.m. till Noon. Library Director Isabella Worthen and Bella Beck will lead the hour of stories and creative play. The children will take part in games, crafts, songs and other activities as they become acquainted with the library. Please call the library at 369-6008 to register by 8 p.m. on Thursday September 24.

The Old Forge Library Elf Walk Benefit: The walk will take place on Wednesday October 7 from 3:15-5:15 p.m. Prizes for the most money donated for sponsorship: Individual Prize & Group Prize. Pizza Party Celebration for all participants. Come out and walk with the Library Elves Jingle Belle and Snowflake to support your Library! Please pick up your sponsor form, available now, at the Library check out desk prior to the walk. Funds from the Elf Walk will help sponsor the Adirondack Storytelling Festival to be held in July 2016.

Annual Halloween Costume Party and Contest: This year’s contest will be held on Friday October 30 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Prizes will be awarded for best costume in Babies through Seniors categories. Come and enjoy the treats, crafts and fun!

Recycled Book Flower Bouquet Workshop: On Tuesday November 3 from 6-8 p.m., local artisan Patti Delano will teach you how to create a beautiful fall bouquet to grace your table for upcoming holiday dinners using recycled book pages, paper, pompoms, and sticks. In this class you will make 6-8 beautiful blooms. Please bring your own twigs (bring a good sized bunch of 1/4”-1/2” diameter, as some may not be usable) and a small/medium sized vase to put



Patti Delano, mixed media and recycled material artist, will conduct several craft workshops during this upcoming fall season.



Some of the Summer Reading Program participants don their decorated masks to get into the superhero act!

your flowers in. All other supplies provided. Call the Library at 369-6008 to register.

*** Annual Children's Author Visit:** This year author Coleen Paratore will give a presentation on Thursday, November 19 to students from the Town of Webb schools, Inlet school and home schooled students about the art of writing. Coleen says "My goal is to inspire excitement about writing, so that even before our time together has ended students are catching firefly ideas, mining their minds and hearts for ideas, and writing with enjoyment." The public is also invited to attend. Time to be announced.

◆ Coffeehouse Open Mic Night: On Wednesday November 18 at 7:00 p.m., writers, aspiring writers and members of the public are invited to share and read from their own work or to come and enjoy readings by others. Featured Reader and Emcee will be Nancy Best. If you plan on participating on Open Mic Night the Library would appreciate you call 369-6008 so they may plan accordingly but walk-ins are welcome. These readings are held to inspire writers and create opportunities for regional writers to meet.

Recycled Book Page Wreath Workshop: On Tuesday December 1 from 6-8 p.m., local artisan Patti Delano will teach

Recent Fiction: Aziz Ansari, *Modern Romance*; Sandra Brown, *Friction*; Stephanie Clifford, *Everybody Rise*; Linda Fairstein, *Devil's Bride*; Elizabeth George, *A Banquet of Consequences*; Sue Grafton, *X*; Philippa Gregory, *The Taming of the Queen*; Alice Hoffman, *The Marriage of Opposites*; Debbie Macomber, *Silver Linings*; James Patterson, *Alert*; Louise Penny, *The Nature of the Beast*; Amy Stewart, *Girl Waits with Gun*; Adriana Trigiani, *All the Stars in the Heavens*; Jennifer Weiner, *Who Do you Love?*; Susan Wiggs, *Starlight on Willow Lake*.

Recent Non-Fiction: Ben Bernanke, *The Courage to Act*; Allan Borushek, *The Calorieking Calorie, Fat and Carbohydrate Counter*; Dick Cheney, *Exceptional: Why the World Needs A Powerful America*; Ta-Nehisi Coates, *Between the World and Me*; Felicia Day, *You're Never Weird on the Internet: A Memoir*; Ree Drummond, *The Pioneer Woman Cooks Dinner & Comfort Foods*; Mark Levin, *Plunder and Deceit*; Patti Smith, *M Train*.



Have you noticed the beautiful flower box in the library window? Thanks to Connie & Art Milligan and Barb & Reed Proper, the garden committee, with flowers donated by Kate at Mountain Greenery.

you how to make a small double layered holiday wreath using pages from either a book or a hymnal. Just in time to hang during the Holiday Season! A variety of small Christmas picks and decorations will be available, but please feel free to bring any favorite ornaments or items in specific colors you would like to use (items will be attached to wreath and not be removable). All supplies will be provided. Call the Library at 369-6008 to register.

The Evergreen Tree Wish List

The Library has a Wish List of books to add to the collection. Members of the community are invited to make a donation to the library throughout the month of December and then

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Saturday 11:00 a.m.
through 3:00 p.m.

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choose a title from the Wish List. A holiday ornament and the name of the book selection can be added to the Evergreen Tree as a memorial or an honorary gift in someone's name. The Wish List includes both children and adult books, in addition to books for the library's Adirondack Collection.

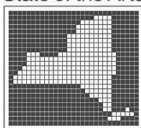
Christmas at the Old Forge Library: The Library will host a Family Christmas Party on Friday December 18 at 6:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. You will also be treated to The Christmas Star, a movie, and the annual book reading of The Night Before Christmas!

Don't forget—you can check our website, www.oldforgeibrary.org for a list of library programs or stop by the library for a printed copy.

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- ◆ Co-sponsored by Adirondack Center for Writing
% Leola Tobin Memorial Fund
- * New York State Council on the Arts: The Literature Program with support from Governor Andrew Cuomo and the NYS Legislature.
- ☼ Town of Webb Recreation Program

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All library programs are free and open to the public, unless otherwise indicated. For more information & specific needs, call the Library at 369-6008



Suzanne Mulvihill Firsching is adding donated Leaves and Apples to the One Hundred Year Plus Giving Tree. This is a special way for library patrons and contributors to leave a lasting legacy and a memorial to their loved ones.