THE BOOKMARK

OLD FORGE LIBRARY

FALL 2018

Director's Message

I would like to thank everyone who was involved in making the 2018 summer season at the library such a tremendous success. Although I was incredibly excited to begin my new role, it can be daunting to be new, and I admit I was a little nervous. But thanks to careful planning by my experienced predecessor, a devoted and knowledgeable staff, a supportive and dedicated Board of Trustees, a top-notch Friends of the Library organization, helpful and generous volunteers, and a wonderful community, my first months as director have been nothing but enjoyable and rewarding. The author and musical presentations, the children's programming, and all of the summer festivities were a great demonstration of the vitality and spirit of the library and its patrons.

I have always known what a special place the Old Forge Library is. I am deeply honored to share in the richness of our traditions. In the coming months and years, I look forward to more adventures to come. If you have ideas or feedback, please seek me out and share your vision. Together we will continue to make the library a place for community sharing.

> Linda Weal Director, Old Forge Library



Summer Reading Program kids catch the library's Beverly Meeker in their spider-web! There were 49 children enrolled in this year's *Libraries Rock* program. They enjoyed a variety of activities and read for a combined total of 158 hours.

Book Groups

Tuesday Morning Book Group: Every third Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am

September 18: Educated by Tara Westover October 16: 1000 White Women by Jim Fergus November 20: The Great Alone by Kristin Hannah December 18: Cerci by Madeline Miller Little

Monday Evening Book Group: Every last Monday of each month at 6:30 pm

September 24: A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles October 29: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman November 26: The Radium Girls by Kate Moore

New members are always welcome to join the book groups. Copies of books to be discussed can be reserved by calling the library at (315) 369-6008.

Art Exhibits

Fiber Arts by The Pointed Pine Quilters September 7 - September 29

This exhibit will showcase personal works, quilts and fiber art pieces, made by the individual members of The Pointed Pine Quilters. For decades there has been a group of area quilters working together, gathering to work communally on large quilts. The display highlights many of their members' interests in various quilting techniques and other fiber arts.

The Pointed Pine Quilters are always looking for new members. They meet on Tuesdays at 1:00 pm at the library. The public is invited to drop in anytime and see what the quilters are creating!

Opening Reception, *First Friday Artwalk* Friday, September 7, 5-8 pm

Light refreshments. Live acoustic music by Dan Vellone.

Favorites Pastels and Watercolors by Martha Deming October 2 - October 27

Adirondack artist, Martha Deming is one of the best known and most acclaimed artist working in the region. The exhibit is a collection of both pastels and watercolors, including new work and past favorites.

Currently represented by several New York State galleries, she holds Signature Memberships in the Central New York Watercolor Society, the Transparent Watercolor Society of America, and the Pastel Society of America. She maintains an art studio at her home on 140 acres of woods and meadows in Remsen, NY.

Opening Reception, *First Friday Artwalk* Friday, October 5 from 5-7 pm

Meet the artist. Light refreshments. Live acoustic music by Dan Vellone.

Cuba: A Traveler's Glimpse Photography by Elisabeth Lorentzsen



Liz has traveled extensively throughout the Spanish-speaking world, most recently with language educators from all over the country to Cuba for a weeklong trip focusing on education, music, and culture. The photographs on display represent some glimpses of Cuba from that week.

Opening Reception: Friday, November 2, 5-7 pm *Meet the artist. Light refreshments. Live acoustic music by Dan Vellone.*

Events, Programs, Series and Workshops

Unless otherwise noted, programs are free and open to the public.

Friends of the Library Used Book Mart at the Farmers Market *Friday, September 14*

CNY/ARTS Decentralization Grants Seminar Wednesday, September 19, 5:30 pm

CNY Arts provides individual artists, grass-roots organizations, historical associations and cultural institutions with funding to present artistic and cultural events in our communities. Free and open to the general public. To register visit CNYARTS.org.

National Voter Registration Day Tuesday, September 25

The Old Forge Library, along with over 3000 venues throughout the US, and 25 libraries in the Mid York Library System is proud to be a 2018 National Voter Registration Day sponsor. The goal of National Voter Registration Day is to increase participation in state and municipal elections across the country by encouraging Americans to register to vote. An unofficial nonpartisan national holiday, the focus is not on politics, but instead on registering Americans to exercise their most basic right - the right to vote. Voter registration forms will be available at the library during operation. regular of For more hours information: www.NationalVoterRegistrationDay.org

Fall Planting Workshop

Tuesday, September 25, 6:30 pm

Led by Bernie Armata, Cornell Cooperative Extension Bernie will talk about plants that are good for fall planting in Zone

3 as well as a popular topic in our area, nuisance wildlife. Sponsored by the Old Forge Garden Club

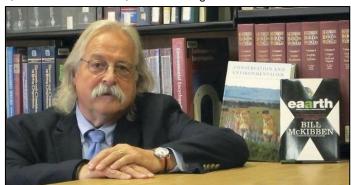
Erasure Poetry Workshop, led by Linda Weal & Thera Levi Thursday, September 27, 6:00 pm

Erasure poetry (or blackout poetry) is a form of found poetry created by taking an existing text and erasing, or blacking out many of the words. The poem created from what remains is a wholly new work. Poems can be created from book pages, magazine or newspaper articles, or any printed text. Participants will see a few examples of erasure poems, and then create their own. Best suited for adults and children ages 12 and up.

Climate Change in the Adirondacks: Facts, Realities, Hype, Solutions, and Hope

Tuesday, October 9, 6:30 pm

Frederick Stoss, a biologist, zoologist, and science librarian with more than 40 years' addressing environmental issues will provide an up-to-date description of the causes, effects, and implications of, and the solutions for, climate change in the Adirondacks.



Fredrick Stoss will give a presentation on climate change in the Adirondacks on Tuesday, October 9.

Children's Programs

Linking Lives Through Reading

Thursdays, October 4 - November 8, 2:15-3:15 pm

The fall session of this intergenerational one-on-one reading program is for second graders in the Town of Webb and Inlet School Districts and home schooled second graders. Call the Library at 315 369-6008 by Saturday, September 29 to register a second grader or to volunteer as a "Book Buddy". Adult volunteers are always needed.

Toddler Story Time

Fridays, October 5 - November 9, 10:00–10:30 am

This 6-session program is for toddler's ages 1 and 2 and a parent or caregiver. Led by Jackie Englert, Director of the Town of Webb Recreation Program, 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

Fridays, October 5 - November 9, 11:00 am-noon

The six-week Story Hour is for preschoolers age 3, 4 and 5 years old. During 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 register children by Friday, October 5.



Congratulations to Ellie Crimmins for being the first to complete the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program at our library. She enrolled in the program a short 2 years ago. Ellie is headed off to Kindergarten this fall! Here she is modeling the personalized book bag filled with prizes she earned.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Interested parents and caregivers can stop by the library for a kit that includes all the information you will need to get started! The concept is simple, the rewards are priceless. Read a book - any book - to your infant, toddler, or preschooler. The goal is to have read 1,000 books before your precious one starts kindergarten. Studies have confirmed that reading together helps develop important pre-reading skills that provide a solid reading foundation, a key to school and learning success.

Library PARP (Pick A Reading Partner) Program October 19 - November 20

The library will have a special collection of books for lending that are related to this year's PARP theme. Parents and other reading partners can also stop by and find a cozy spot for reading together.

In conjunction with the Town of Webb School PARP Program

Annual Children's Author Visit *Friday, November 16*

Acclaimed children's author, Matt McElligott, will give presentations to students from the Town of Webb schools, Inlet school and home-schooled students. Matt is the author of numerous picture and nonfiction books, including *Even Monsters Need Haircuts, Even Aliens Need Snacks*, and *Mad Scientist Academy: The Dinosaur Disaster.* He is an enthusiastic speaker who excites students about reading and writing, and shares stories of his career as a working writer and illustrator. The public is also invited to attend. Times to be announced.

Conflict Resolution Session Conducted by Catholic Charities Dispute Resolution Center *Tuesday October 16, 2:00 pm*

This program is provided at no fee to participants and is designed to serve the needs of the disputants and to offer options within the state judicial system. When an agreement is successfully reached, mediation can reduce or eliminate legal fees, minimize or negate court appearance time and, most importantly, allows the parties to be directly involved in the decision making. This is an information session about how mediation can assist with group conversations.

Annual Halloween Costume Party Open House *Friday, October 26 from 2:30-4:30 pm*

Drop in and enjoy the spooky treats, craft table and Halloween Bingo! Fun for the entire family. All ages invited.

Honoring Veterans at the Library

A replica of the original Star Spangled Banner with 15 stars and stripes will be on display for the holiday.



Fallen Stars Memorial Tribute Murals

Tuesday, November 6 – Saturday, November 10

This traveling project honors the men and women from New York State who died in Iraq and Afghanistan. The memorial murals depict faces, names, hometowns, ranks and branches of service of the 309 Fallen Stars. The murals have traveled over 9,000 miles to be seen by thousands throughout this state.

Reception: Saturday, November 10, 11:00 am

Kelly Brown, committee chairperson, will be on hand to answer questions about the project. Light refreshments will be served.

Family Histories Workshop with David Hazard *Thursday, November 15 from 5:00-8:00 pm*

Participants in the workshop will learn how to think about writing great family stories. David has been an author, publishing consultant, and writing and creativity coach since 1978, developing bestselling lines of books for numerous publishers. He has written more than 30 books of his own, including several award-winning and internationally bestselling titles.

Sponsored by View, ASCENT, and the Old Forge Library



Author and Writing Coach David Hazard will lead a Family Histories workshop on Thursday, November 15.

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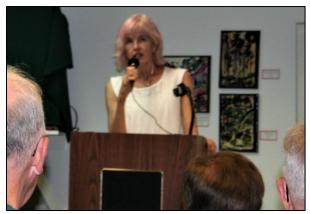
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The Friends of the Old Forge Library is a service organization who plan activities to support the library. The Friends meet every first Tuesday of the month at 12:00 pm. New Friends are always welcome.



New York Times Best Selling Author, Alison McGhee, gave a well-attended presentation in August on her novel, *Never Coming Back*, set in Old Forge and in Central New York.

Fall Library Hours Tuesday – Friday, 11 am – 8 pm Saturday, 11 am- 3 pm Old Forge Library Association 220 Crosby Boulevard PO Box 128 Old Forge, NY 13420 (315) 369-6008 www.oldforgelibrary.org



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Christmas on Main Street at the Library *Friday & Saturday, November 23-24*

Adult coloring and LEGO[©] stations all day during library hours. Refreshments served. The Friends of the Old Forge Library will hold a Holiday Used Book Mart.

Great Authors Birthday Party Thursday, November 29, 6:30 pm

Three great authors: one birthday. Louisa May Alcott, Madeleine L'Engle, and C.S. Lewis were all born on November 29! Join us for birthday cake and readings from these beloved authors. Enjoy excerpts from *Little Women*, *A Wrinkle in Time*, and *The Lion*, the Witch and the Wardrobe.



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