

THE BOOKMARK

OLD FORGE LIBRARY

SUMMER 2015

President's Message

Summer's here! Given the time we've been waiting (what we lovingly call "spring" in the Adirondacks), you'd think that summer would arrive slowly and gracefully. But nope, all of a sudden it's here. I was away for a week in late May, and when I got back, the leaves were out, the grass was eight inches high and the bugs were biting. Everything's in a hurry to make the most out of the warm weather.

The Library is not any different. Summer programs have already begun and we've planned a summer full of activities. Whether it's a beautiful evening or a rainy day, there's always something going on at the library. Let's all make the most out of summer!

In addition to our usual lineup of programs, stay in touch to learn more about our special events, including the Library BASH and the unveiling of our newest initiative: the 100th Year Plus Tree Celebration. Please plan to participate. It's a wonderful way to show your support for the Old Forge Library.

Don Kelly

Book Groups

Morning Book Group: meets the third Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. at the Library. The Morning Book Group does not meet during the summer, but will reconvene in September.

Evening Book Group: meets the last Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Library. Upcoming meeting dates and titles are: July 27--Leaving Time, by Jodi Picoult; August 31--Mudbound, by Hillary Jordan. New members are always welcome.

Art Exhibits

^Art and Soul Watercolor Group: On display from July 1--August 1, the Opening Exhibit Reception will be held on Friday July 3 from 5-8 p.m.

^Adirondack Landscape and Fine Art Photography by Carolynn McCann. Opening reception will be held on Friday August 7 from 5-8 p.m. The exhibit will be on display from August 4 until August 26

^^3 Artists Unchained: Albert Casatelli, Suzanne Firsching, and Stephen Fletcher": The Opening Exhibit Reception will be held on September 4 from 5-8 p.m. The Exhibit will be on display Sept. 1-30.

Events, Programs, Series and Workshops

(Unless otherwise noted Programs are free and open to the public.)

↑ **"Meet Me at the Library Gazebo at 5 for Live Music":** Enjoy live music in the Gazebo from 5-6 p.m. on the fourth Friday of the month! Stop by before heading out to dinner at your favorite local restaurant. On Friday June 26, Nick Piccininni will perform. Nick will sing many of his own original



Meet me at the Gazebo at 5 for Live Music with Cincinnati Creek Bluegrass pm Friday, July 24. Bring a blanket or folding chair.

songs while accompanying himself on the acoustic guitar, and it's very possible he might also do some pickin' on the banjo during his performance. Cincinnati Creek will be on hand July 24 to entertain you with an acoustic variety of bluegrass, original compositions, gospel, and pop tunes. On August 28, local musicians Dan Vellone and Doug Green will team up for performance of popular country, rock and folk songs. Bring a blanket or folding chair.

↑ **North Country Stories:** Bill Smith returns to the Library on Tuesday July 7 at 7:30 p.m. The popular storyteller and balladeer delights audiences everywhere. Prepare to laugh your head off at Bill's tall tales, step back in time with his descriptions of North Country life in the old days, and get nostalgic when he sings. You won't want to miss this event!

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#Summer Reading Program: "Every Hero has a Story" is the theme for this year's Summer Reading Program. Don't miss this timely way to encourage your child to continue reading throughout the summer! On each Thursday in July (July 2- 30) from noon to 1 p.m., there will be a variety of activities for children pre-K and up. (K and younger must be accompanied by an adult). Call the Library to register your child! Last day to register is July 9.

Scrabble Club: Love to play Scrabble? On Thursdays from July 2 through August 6, the public is invited to drop by the Library to play from 7-9 p.m. All ages and abilities are welcome.

%Adirondack: Life and Wildlife in the Wild Wild East: On Tuesday July 14 at 7:30 p.m., author, naturalist, columnist and licensed Adirondack Guide, Ed Kanze, will talk about and read from his new book. Born just north of New York City, Kanze traveled as far as the wilds of Australia and New Zealand, working as a naturalist, park ranger, and nature writer, before finally settling in New York's Adirondacks for the riskiest of all life's adventures: marriage and children! Books will be available for sale and signing.

***Summer Writers Workshops:** This year's Adult and Young Adult Workshops will be held on four consecutive Wednesdays from July 15 through August 5. The Young Adults will meet from 4-5:30 p.m. and Adults will meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The director of both workshops will be Katharyn Howd Machan. Machan is a professor of writing at Ithaca College and is the author of 30 published collections of poetry from a variety of publishers. Her poems have appeared in numerous magazines, anthologies, and textbooks. In 2002 she was named Tompkins County's first Poet Laureate.

Enrollment for both workshops is limited. Please call the Library to register.

Donor Tree Sculpture: Please join us on Friday July 17 from 5-7 p.m. for the unveiling and light refreshments! Created by Suzanne Firsching and her family, the Mulvihills, the lovely tree sculpture will hang in the library as a permanent recognition of library donors. Donors wishing to, can purchase an inscribed leaf for the tree as a memorial for a loved one, in honor of their family or a special person or to commemorate a special event.

↓ **Jazzy Blues Originals & Jazz Standards from the American Songbook:** On Tuesday July 21 at 7:30 p.m. Ellen Schwartz and Roger Bruno, Too Human, will perform from their extensive jazz repertoire. The duo has had music in their lives from a very early age. Bruno was an accordion virtuoso by the time he was seven, and Schwartz was harmonizing at age three. Bruno and Schwartz became professional songwriters in Los Angeles, on staff with music publishing giant Warner/Chappell Music, where they had their songs covered by many recording artists including Pat Benatar, Cher, Teddy Pendergrass, Anne Murray and Nancy Wilson before moving back East and becoming Too Human.

@Adirondack Storytelling and Music Festival: Traditional Stories & Music under the tent on the Forge Motel Knoll. This year's Festival will be held on Sunday July 26 from 12-2 p.m. Bring a blanket or a folding chair. Award-winning musician, storyteller and author Joe Bruchac will be your host. You will be entertained by Joe and his son Jesse Bruchac as well as folksinger, songwriter Peggy Lynn and Adirondack Storyteller Bill Smith. Donations accepted and appreciated.

***How to Self-Publish and Market Your Own Book:** Join Gary VanRiper on Tuesday July 28 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for this Writer's Workshop. VanRiper is a children's book author and with his son, Justin, has self-published 12 books. More than 100,000 copies in The Adirondack Kids series have been sold. Pre-registration is appreciated by calling the Library but walk-ins are welcome.

***Authors' Fair:** From 12:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. on Tuesday July 28, area authors will sell and sign their books under a tent on the Forge Motel Knoll. There will be more than 20 authors on hand including: Nancy Best, Jan Brynildsen, Howard Bushinger, William Guiffre, Yvona Fast, Letty Haynes, Jordan Mierek, Jeanne Selander Miller, Irene Morrison, Daniel Moynihan, Eileen Parsons, Anne Phinney, Edward M. Pittman Jr., Cheryl Pula, Mary Sanders Shartle, David Siegenthaler, Linda Smolarek, Arlene Stein, Caperton Tissot, Gary, Justin and Carol Van Riper, Connie Watkins, Carol and David White, Jeanne Whyte and Elizabeth Zerbst.

% Adirondack Ice: a Cultural and National History: Author Caperton Tissot will give a Powerpoint presentation about her book on July 28 at 7:30 p.m. Ice has determined the course of Adirondack history in many surprising ways. This book traces the evolution of that influence, touching on everything from ice industries and transportation to recreation and accidents. Books will be available for purchase and author signing.

#Tales from Adirondack Heroes: In conjunction with the Summer Reading Program, the public is invited to come listen to storyteller Jeanine Lavery on Thursday July 30 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Gazebo! Jeannine will entertain children and Adults with her stories... some true and all reminding us of who we are! Bring a blanket or folding chair.

%The Adirondack 102 Club: Your Passport and Guide to the North Country: On Tuesday August 4 at 7:30 p.m., author Marty Podskoch will give a Powerpoint presentation on his newest book, a guide to the travelers in their quest to visit all 102 towns and villages in the Adirondack Park. "Members" of the club will also learn about the history and fascinating places in the Adirondacks. By getting their book signed or stamped by a resident, they will also get to know the friendly locals and be able to ask them questions such as where is a good place to eat or an interesting local attraction. Hopefully in the process they will get to know the real Adirondacks!

↓ **"From Ireland to the Adirondacks: 5 Generations of Songs and Ballads":** Colleen Cleveland will perform on Tuesday August 11 at 7:30 p.m. She is a descendant of Scottish and Irish Settlers to the Brant Lake area of the

Adirondacks. Her family's music and stories from the old country include ancient ballads or story-songs, for which the Scots are known.

\$Library BASH: Join us for the popular Friends of the Library Fund Raiser on Sunday August 16 from 4-6 p.m. BASH Raffle items, from artists and crafts persons and local businesses, will be put on display the First week of July. The items will be available for inspection from July 1 to August 16, when they will be raffled off at the BASH. Raffle Tickets are \$2 each/6 for \$10. A donation of \$15 is requested for admission. The Friends have begun lining up donations of finger foods, wine and other goodies to be served at the BASH. We look forward to seeing you for good food and beverages and great company!

****"Saving Troy" and "The Call of Nursing":** On Tuesday August 18 at 7:30 p.m., Author William Patrick will read excerpts from both of his books featuring dramatic, inside portraits of professions that require extreme caregiving. Patrick will answer questions after the reading. Books will be available for purchase and author signing.

◆Coffeehouse Open Mic Night: On Wednesday Aug 19 at 7:30 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 poet Katharyn Howd Machan. If you plan on participating on Open Mic Night please call the Library at 369-6008 ahead of time so they may plan accordingly, but walk-ins are also welcome. These readings are held to inspire writers and create opportunities for regional writers to meet.

***Writing it Right: A Memoir:** Coleen Paratore and Pat Spain Murtagh will be at the library on Tuesday August 25 at 7:30 p.m. The mother/daughter author team will read short excerpts from their inspirational memoir, an account of the year they met weekly to discuss poems and essays they had written of "good things" in their lives as a way of helping each other move forward through some dark times. A question and answer session will follow. Books will be available for purchase and author signing.

Recent Fiction; Annie Barrows, *The Truth According to Us*; Judy Blume, *In the Unlikely Event*; Barbara Delinsky, *Blueprints*; Penelope Fitzgerald, *The Book Shop*; Dorothea Benton Frank, *All the Single Ladies*; Jonathan Galassi, *Muse*; Stephen King, *Finders Keepers*; Sophie Kinsella, *Finding Audrey*; Donna Leon, *Falling in Love*; John Lescroart, *The Fall*; Liane Moriarty, *The Husband's Secret*; James Patterson, *14th Deadly Sin*; Jodi Picoult, *Off the Page*; Hannah Pillard, *Reunion*; Amanda Quick, *Garden of Lies*; Nora Roberts, *The Liar*; John Sandford, *Gathering Prey*; Patricia Skolka, *Death at Gills Rock*; S J Watson, *Second Life*; Randy Wayne White, *Cuba Straits*.

Recent Non-Fiction; A. Berry & G. DeJesus, *Hope*; David Brooks, *The Road to Character*; Noah Fletcher, *Warmans Antiques and Collectibles 2016*; Taya Kyle, *American Wife*; Melissa Layne, *Water Exercise*; Roland Lazenby, *Michael Jordan*; Katie Lee, *Endless Summer Cookbook*; David McCullough, *The Wright Brothers*; Brian Murphy, *81 Days Below Zero*; Willie Nelson, *It Is a Long Story*; Bill O'Reilly, *Legends and Lies*; Dana Perino, *And the Good News is...*; *Dave Ramsey's Complete Guide to Money*; Melissa Rivers, *The Book of Joan*; Oliver Sacks, *On the Move*; Peter Schweizer, *Clinton Cash*; Gen & Kelly Tanaka, *The Ultimate Scholarship Book*; Alexander Watson, *Ring of Steel*; Jack Welch, *The Real life MB*; David Zinczenko, *Zero Belly Diet*.

\$Annual Library Book Sale: This popular event will be held from Thursday to Saturday, August 27-29th during library hours. Hardcover are \$1.00 each (5 for \$4) and paperbacks are 50 cents each (5 for \$2) Saturday August 29 is bag day (\$3).

Annual Babysitting Class Graduates



Ten babysitters received their certificates on May 13 after attending four different sessions with professionals covering such topics as "Educational Play," "Health and Safety," "Childhood Development" and "Food and Nutrition." *Left to right sitting:* Fern Bick, Ashley Ludwig, Katie Huber, Trevor Greene. *Left to right standing:* Alana Haehl, Lilli Pitarelli, Katie Case, Amanda Huber, Karleigh, Hollister, Alexis Heath and their teacher, Kelly Hamlin.

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Spring Story Hour



Spring Story Hour was enjoyed by children ages 3-5 and their teachers. The Spring Story Hour group included: *(Seated from left)* Autumn Armondola, Savannah Pashley, Madeline Mayer, Natalie Hitchcock, Asher Murray, Keth Parent, Karen Beck, Hayden Hopsicker and Bella Beck. *(Standing from left):* Isaac Hoffman, Leigha Pashley, Hunter Hoffman, Fern Bick Carson Giessler, Izzie Worthen, and Brayden Palermo. *People missing from the photo include:* Ava Clark, Harper Deis, Molly Lis, Christina Russell, Gaige and Garrett Stanley.

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- * New York State Council on the Arts: The Literature Program with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature
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- ◆ Adirondack Center for Writing
- \$ Donations Requested - The Friends of the Old Forge Library
- # The Town of Webb Recreation Program
- @ CAA, Mountain Greenery, The Strand Theatre, Touch of Ritz & NYSCA: the Presenting Program with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature
- ^ In Partnership with First Friday Art Walk
- % Adirondack Reading Series: New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature and The Friends of the Library.

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