

THE BOOKMARK

OLD FORGE LIBRARY

WINTER 2013

President's Message

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I hope the New Year brings us a normal winter, with lots of activities in the out-of-doors. And I hope the New Year brings you all health and happiness. As always, the New Year will bring loads of new programs, books, art and activities to the Old Forge Library. A friend of mine once remarked that there is more going on every weekend (or week-day) in Old Forge and the Central Adirondacks than anywhere else he's been. In the busy round of your activities, please don't forget the library. And as 2012 ends and the New Year starts, please don't forget the library when it comes to end of the year donations. We can always put your gift to good use to help keep us one of the best institutions in town. Finally, I'd like to thank everyone who brings the library to you: our Library Director, the Library Staff, The Friends of the Library, our volunteers and our board. You're the best!

Don Kelly

President, Board of Trustees

Please help us reduce printing and mailing costs!

Send an e-mail to oldforge@midyork.org or call 369-6008 so we can send you the Bookmark and other Library news electronically.

Evergreen Tree Wish List

To date more than 36 books totaling \$786 have been added to the Library's collection through the generosity of patrons who selected books to purchase through the Evergreen Tree Wish List. Some of the books chosen were in memory or in honor of a particular person; some were just purchased.

Elf Benefit Walk

The second Annual Elf Benefit walk was held on October 3. Library Elf Snowflake, Walk Leader Gary Lee and 27 community members walked up to three miles to show support for the Library and to raise money for programming in 2013. After the walk, they were treated to a Pizza Party. Group prize winners, Town of Webb Schools Key Club Members, and individual prize winner, Beverly Meeker, were awarded tickets to the Strand Movie Theater for collecting the most pledges. The benefit walk raised more than \$625.

Book Groups

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

Morning Book Group meets on the second Tuesday



The Friends decorate the library each year for the holidays. This year Wende Carr, our newest library board member, helped by making a Christmas tree with books.

of the month at 9:30 a.m. at the library. The meeting dates and titles for the group are: January 15 ~ A Year in Provence by Peter Mayle, February 12 ~ Sandcastle Girls by Chris Bohjalian, March 12 ~ Northern Borders by Howard Frank Moshier, April 2013 ~ Film: Northern Borders (date and time tba), May 14 ~ Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford.

Evening Book Group meets on the last Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. The meeting dates and titles for this group are: January 2 ~ The Day I Ate Whatever I Wanted by Elizabeth Berg, January 30 ~ The Peach Keeper by Sarah Addison Allen, February 27 ~ The Light Between Oceans by M.L. Stedman, no meeting in March, April 24 ~ 11/22/63 by Stephen King.

Upcoming Events and Programs

(Unless otherwise noted, all events and programs are free and open to the public.)

New Art Exhibit Opens

An Exhibit of Ink and Pencil Drawings by RC Oster will be on display in the Judith Lowenstein Cohen Memo-



David Beck participates in ♦Open Mic Night.

rial Wing of the Library from January 4 until Saturday, February 23. You are invited to attend the Opening Exhibit Reception on January 4 from 5-7 p.m. The Opening Reception provides a great opportunity to meet and talk with the artist and visit with other community members. Light refreshments will be served.

David Oster is a self-taught Illustrator who is known among friends as 'RC', due to his love of roller coasters. Years ago, he was employed by a company that built wooden coasters, and he still draws them from time to time. But he is mostly known for his highly-detailed renderings of local landmarks, specifically barns and old homes. His drawings are created in ink and often are tinted with colored pencils. His work encompasses farms and townscapes and mills from the Southern Tier to the Tug Hill. Oster also does pencil sketches of nature scenes and a few scenes near Raquette Lake and Old Forge will be on display as well.

Winter Story Hour

Pre-school children ages 3, 4, 5+ years are invited to join this six week program on Fridays, February 1 through March 8 from 11 a.m. to noon. Registration is required. The hour of stories and creative play will be led by Library Director, Isabella Worthen, Karen Beck and Bella Beck. Parents are asked to provide a group snack or drink for one session. Please stop at the library desk or call 369-6008 by Thursday, January 31 by 8:00 p.m. to register your child.

☀ **Winter Toddler Story Time** This six-session program will be held on Fridays from February 1 through

March from 8 from 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. It is for toddlers, age 1 and 2, and a parent or caregiver and led by Sara Alves. Children will listen to stories, enjoy puppets, learn finger plays and have some toy time. Please call the Library at 369-6008 to register by Thursday, January 31 at 8 p.m.

***Poetry & Illustration Contest and Exhibit**

The 2013 Annual Poetry and Illustration Contest will be sponsored by the Friends of the Library and CNY/ Arts. The theme this year is "Journeys Taken" and the Friends goal is to recognize art in our larger community by providing this opportunity for people to create their own story by producing written and/or visual art. The Contest and Exhibit is open to students in K-12 and Adults throughout the Mid-York library region (Herkimer, Oneida and Madison Counties) and the Town of Inlet. Entries will be accepted from Friday, February 1 to Friday, March 1. There are four categories: Grades K-4, Grades 5-8, Grades 9-12, and Adult. Please call the library for specific details. Judges for the poetry contest are Robert Hershon and Donna Brook. Judges for the illustration contest are artists Suzanne Firsching and Jane Grace Taylor. The contestants' entries will be hung on March 18 by the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. The Opening Exhibit Reception, which is open to the public, will be held on March 19 at 7 p.m. The Friends will announce the Winners and Honorable Mentions. Winners will receive \$25 and a certificate and Honorable Mentions will receive a certificate. Participants whose poems and illustrations win or receive Honorable Mention in their categories will have an opportunity to read and/or discuss their work. All entries will remain on display in the library wing from March 19 through May 23 during library hours. The public is invited to stop by and vote for their favorite entry.

Also included in this project are the following Poetry and Illustration Workshops:

The Poetry Workshops will be held Saturday, January 19 from 10 a.m. till noon:
 Grades K-6 ~ Chris Holt, instructor
 Grades 7-12 ~ Paula Roy, instructor
 Adults ~ Star Livingstone, instructor

The Illustration Workshops will be held Saturday, January 26
 10 a.m.-noon – Grades K-6 ~ Karen Beck, instructor
 10 a.m.-noon – Grades 7-12 ~ Jim Tracy, instructor
 12:30-2:30 p.m. – Adult ~ Sue Freese, instructor

Participants in the workshops are not required to enter their work and contest entrants are not required to attend the workshops.

The Friends Annual Luncheon

The Friends of the Old Forge Library will hold their annual luncheon on Monday, January 14 at Hard Times Cafe at 11:45 am. The cost is \$9.00 in advance which

includes tax and gratuity. Transportation and carpooling will be available for those who would like a ride. Stop by the Library or call 369-6008 to sign up for a ride and/or the luncheon. Hope to see you there!

Sweetheart Dessert Contest

The library will be celebrating Valentine's Day with the annual Sweetheart Dessert Contest on Tuesday, February 12. There are four categories: Youth Student, Teen Student, Adult and Master. To enter the contest, create your favorite dessert and bring it to the library from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. that day. Judges this year are Paula Roy, Paula Weal and Albert Worthen. A reception will be held at 7:00 p.m. and the contest winners will be announced at 7:40 p.m. The community is invited to stop in to sample the delicious entries from 7-8 p.m.

◆Open Mic Night

The library will host an Open Mic Night for writers in a coffee house setting on Wednesday, February 20 at 7 p.m. Featured reader and emcee will be Star Livingstone. Members of the public are welcome to share and read from their own work or to come and enjoy readings by others. If you plan to participate at Open Mic Night please call the library at 369-6008 ahead of time so we may plan accordingly. An additional Open Mic Night is planned for May. These readings are held to inspire writers and create opportunities for regional writers to meet. The event is cosponsored by Adirondack Center

RECENT ADULT FICTION

Tracy Chevalier *The Last Runaway* (HC); Tom Clancy *Threat Vector* (HC) (CD) (LT); Robin Cook *Name* (HC); Bernard Cornwell *1356* (HC); Robert Crais *Suspect* (HC); Clive Cussler *Poseidon's Arrow* (HC); Janet Evanovich *Notorious Nineteen* (HC) (CD) (LT); Joy Fielding *Shadow Creek* (HC) (LT); Sue Grafton *Kinsey and me Stories* (HC); WEB Griffen *Empire and Honor* (HC) (CD); James Grippando *Blood Money* (HC); Tami Hoag *The 9th Girl* (HC); Barbara Kinsolver *Flight Behavior* (HC) (CD); Brad Meltzer *The Fifth Assassin* (HC); Joyce Carol Oates *Daddy Love* (HC); Michael Palmer *Political Suicide* (HC); James Patterson *Private London* (HC) (CD); Douglas Preston *Two Graves* (HC) (CD); Karen Robards *Shiver* (HC) (CD); Stuart Woods *Collateral Damage* (HC) (CD) (LT)

RECENT NON-FICTION

Dale Carnegie *How to Win Friends and Influence People in the Digital Age* (HC); Doris Kearns Goodwin *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln* (HC) (CD); William Least Heat-Moon *Here, There Elsewhere Stories from the Road* (HC); Julie Klam *Friend Keeping: A Field Guide to the People you love, Hate and can't live without* (HC); Ralph Kylloe *Ralph Kylloe's Rustic Living* (HC); David McCullough *Great Bridge: the Epic Story of Building of the Brooklyn Bridge* (HC); William Mann *Hello Gorgeous: Becoming Barbra Streisand* (HC); Scott A. Schryver *Waterfalls of New York State* (HC); Daniel Stashower *The Hour of Peril: The Secret Plot to Murder Lincoln Before the Civil War* (HC); Suzanne Steinbaum *Dr. Suzanne Steinbaum's Heart Book* (HC); Weight Watchers International *Weight Watcher's New Complete Bonus Binder* (HC).

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\$ Library Donation Dinner at Billy's

Billy's Restaurant in Old Forge is holding a benefit Donation Dinner for the library on Thursday, March 7. There will be two seatings: 5-5:30 p.m. and 7-7:30 p.m. Reservations are encouraged and takeouts will be available. Twenty percent of the total receipts will be donated to the Old Forge Library. This is a wonderful way to support the library while enjoying an evening out, so mark your calendar!

Parents as Reading Partners

The annual PARP program will be held at the Old Forge Library in conjunction with the Town of Webb Schools from February 1 to March 1. The library will have a special collection of books for lending that are related to this year's PARP theme which is announced at the Kick-off Ceremony. Each Friday from February 8 through March 1, there will be a drawing and the lucky winner will win a prize. Students may enter the drawing each week by checking out books. Parents are encouraged to come with their children and check out books together!

Funding Agencies

- ◆ Adirondack Center for Writing
- * CNY/Arts Grant and the Friends
- ☼ Town of Webb Recreation Program

<p>Old Forge Library Association</p> <p>Officers Donald Kelly <i>President</i> Kirsten Down <i>Vice President</i> Judy Ehrensbeck <i>Recording Secretary</i> Kathleen Rivet <i>Corresponding Secretary</i> Mona Lincoln <i>Treasurer</i></p> <p>Trustees Danielle Beckingham David Berkstresser Wende Carr Barbara Criss Hazel Dellavia Jennifer Hartsig</p> <p>Trustee Emerita Sarah Cohen</p> <p>Director Isabella Worthen</p> <p>Key Staff Karen Lee Beverly Meeker Beth Pashley</p>	<p>Friends of The Old Forge Library</p> <p>Officers Paula Weal <i>Acting President</i> Joan Armstrong <i>Vice President</i> Hazel Dellavia <i>Recording Secretary</i> Katherine Riehle <i>Treasurer</i></p> <p>Directors Gary Lee Mary Anne Ransom</p> <p>Regular Library Hours Tue-Fri 11:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>Saturday 11:00 a.m. through 3:00 p.m.</p> <p><i>Effective Sept. 6, 2012 through June 26, 2013</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>Newsletter design and production by Eric Johnson.</i></p>
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Wed. Jan 2	Evening Book Group: <i>The Day I Ate Whatever I Wanted</i>	6:30 p.m.
Fri. Jan 4-	An Exhibit of Ink and Pencil Drawings by RC Oster on display	
Sat. Feb. 23		
Fri. Jan 4	Opening Reception An Exhibit of Ink and Pencil Drawings by RC Oster	5-7 p.m.
Thurs. Jan 10,	Library Board of Trustees Meeting	5:30 p.m.
	Also, Feb 14 Mar 14 and Apr 11	
Mon. Jan 14	Friends Annual Luncheon at Hard Times Cafe	11:45 a.m.
Tues. Jan 15	Morning Book Group: <i>A Year in Provence</i> <i>Art of Aging</i> NY Council for the Humanities	9:30 a.m.
	Book Discussion Group	6:30 p.m.
Sat. Jan 19	Poetry Workshops Grades K-6, Chris Holt, instructor Grades 7-12, Paula Roy, instructor Adults, Star Livingstone, instructor	10 a.m.-Noon
Sat. Jan 26	Illustration Workshops Grades K-6, Karen Beck, instructor Grades 7-12, Jim Tracy, instructor Adult, Sue Freese, instructor	10 a.m.-Noon 10 a.m.-Noon 12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.
Wed. Jan 30	Evening Book Group: <i>The Peach Keeper</i>	6:30 p.m.
Thurs. Jan 31	Registration Deadline for Toddlers Story Time	8 p.m.
Thurs. Jan 31	Registration Deadline for Winter Story Hour	8 p.m.
Fri. Feb 1-Mar 8	Toddlers Story Time with Sara Alves	10-10:30 a.m.
Fri. Feb 1-Mar 8	Winter Story Hour	11:00 a.m.
Fri. Feb 1-Mar 1	Poetry & Illustration Entries accepted	Library Hours
Fri. Feb 1	PARP Kick-off @ OFL Winners of prizes will be drawn on Feb 8, 15, 22 & Mar 1	8 p.m.

Tues. Feb 5,	Friends of the Library Meeting	12-1 p.m.
Mar 5 & Apr 2		
Tues. Feb 12	Sweetheart Dessert Contest Entries Accepted	11 a.m.-5 p.m.
	Awards and Reception (open to the public)	7 p.m.
Thurs. Feb 14	Annual Meeting Library Board of Trustees	5 p.m.
Wed. Feb 20	Open Mic Night	7 p.m.
Tues Feb 12	Morning Book Group: <i>Sandcastle Girls</i>	9:30 a.m.
Wed. Feb 27	Evening Book Group: <i>The Light Between Oceans</i>	6:30 p.m.
Fri. Mar 1	Deadline for entries for Poetry and Illustration Contest	8 p.m.
Thurs. Mar 7	Library Donation Dinner at Billy's Restaurant 5-5:30 & 7-7:30 p.m. seatings	
Tues. Mar 12	Morning Book Group: <i>Northern Borders</i>	9:30 a.m.
Tues. Mar 20	Poetry and Illustration Exhibit Opening and Reception	7 p.m.
April (date and time tba)	Morning Book Group: Film: <i>Northern Borders</i>	
Wed. April 24	Evening Book Group: <i>11/22/63</i>	6:30 p.m.
Tues. May 14	Morning Book Group: <i>Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet</i>	9:30 a.m.

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For more information & specific needs, call the Library at 369-6008

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