# THE BOOKMARK

## OLD FORGE LIBRARY

### **SUMMER 2017**

#### President's Message

It's summer, and everything is green and growing again! Hope you all had a good winter and that you're ready to enjoy all that Old Forge offers for the summer. Streets and sidewalks are getting crowded with people, and every day brings a new selection of activities, indoors and out. Summer's beautiful but short, and we tend to pack a lot into the time we have.

As usual, there's a lot going on at the Library, too. Weeknights and weekends are filled with programs and activitiesworkshops and seminars, storytellers and music programs, lectures and art openings-there's something for everyone. We hope to see a lot of you!

We hope you'll join us on Saturday, July 22 for the dedication of the Adirondack Reading Garden. This most recent project makes use of a little-used corner of the library grounds and will provide a quiet, peaceful place for people to pause for reading and reflection. We're sure you'll love the project.

Don Kelly

#### **Book Groups**

*Morning Book Group:* meets the third Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. at the Library. The 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 31 ~ *What Was Mine* by Helen Klein Ross, August 28 ~ *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman. New members are always welcome.

*OFL Cook Book Club:* Join us on Thursday, July 27 at 5 p.m. We are always cooking up something fresh and new. Do you love to try new recipes? Are you looking for a new challenge? Join the library's Cook Book Club today! This month we will be cooking recipes from "Six Seasons: a new way with vegetables" by Joshua McFadden. To sign up for the club, stop by the Circlation Desk in the library to reserve your recipe. It's simple ~ prepare the recipe at home and bring it to share with all!

#### Art Exhibits:

#### ^ Rome Art Association Summer Show

Will be on display at the Library from July 5-July 29 during Library Hours. The Rome Art Association was founded in 1958. Its mission is to promote and encourage the talents and abilities of their members, to stimulate public interest in and appreciation of the Fine Arts and to encourage the development of facilities in Rome, New York for these purposes. The Exhibit Opening reception will be held on Friday July 7 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Stop by to meet the artists and view their work. Light refreshments will be served. Acoustic music will be provided by guitarist Dan Vellone.

#### ^ Bridging Tug Hill to the Adirondacks

Exhibit Opening Reception Friday August 4 On display until August 30. Artist Loretta Lepkowski will display paintings from



Gary, Carol and Justin Van Riper of Adirondack Kids fame will be attending the Authors Fair this year. The fair will be held on Friday, July 21 from 1-4 p.m. on the library lawn.

her "Venerable Folk of Tug Hill" collection along with Artist Patti Engelbrecht's Folk Art Americana Painting depicting Old Forge. Light refreshments will be served. Acoustic music will be provided by guitarist Dan Vellone.

#### ^ Figures and Flights of Fancy"

Photographs by Val DeVisser and Mixed Media Paintings by Sandra Z. DeVisser. The Exhibit Opening Recption will be held Friday September 1. Light refreshments will be served. Acoustic music will be provided by guitarist Dan Vellone. The exhibit will remain on display until September 30.

#### $\updownarrow$ Meet Me at the Library Gazebo at 5 for Live Music

Enjoy live music in the Gazebo from 5-6:15 p.m. on the last Friday of the month. Stop by before heading out for the evening. On Friday June 30, the **Jim and Bonnie Tracy** duo will perform. They have been playing music together since

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Every May. Ted Christodaro runs the maintenance station at the Old Forge Library Bicycle Clinic. Here he explains the importance of checking bicycle tires and brakes, mostly because it is safer, but also because the bike will ride and run better.

1979 and enjoy performing traditional music, old time country, Piedmont blues and folk revival music from the 1960s. **Nick Piccininni** will be on hand July 28. He will sing many original songs while accompanying himself on the acoustic guitar, and it's very possible he will do some pickin' on the banjo with an acoustic variety of bluegrass, and pop tunes. On August 25, local musician **Dan Vellone** will perform a mix of Americana and Old Time String Music. Bring a blanket or folding chair, but in the case of inclement weather, performances will be moved inside.

#### \$ Friends of the Library Annual Summer Raffle

**Raffle** items will be on display and raffle tickets available starting July 1. The drawings will take place at 2 p.m. on Saturday August 26. You do not need to be present to win! Come and check out all the creative and fun-filled items to be raffled.

#### \*Summer Writers Workshops

This year's Adult and Young Adult Workshops will be held on six consecutive Wednesdays from July 5 through August 9. The Young Adults will meet from 4-5:30 p.m. and Adults from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. The director of both workshops will be Paula Roy. Enrollment is limited. Please call the Library to register for either workshop.

#### **#Summer Reading Program**

"Build a Better World" 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 of the following Thursdays (July 6- Aug. 3) from noon to 1:00 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 13.

#### **‡North Country Stories and Music**

On Tuesday July 11 at 7:30 p.m., master storyteller and folksinger Bill Smith will team up with NYS Grand Champion Fiddler Donnie Woodcock to present an evening of outstanding traditional "North County Entertainment."

#### Faces From the Past

On Tues. July 18 at 7:30 p.m., Dr. Dick Lindsay will share a PowerPoint presentation of photos, showcasing the local community and its members that he has compiled over the years from his and his family's collections. Lindsay and his brothers grew up in Old Forge and are Town of Webb School graduates. His father, affectionately known by locals as "Dr. Bob," practiced medicine in Old Forge from the early 1920s until his death in 1975. Dick's grandmother, R. Ella Lindsay, was instrumental in helping to establish the Old Forge Library in 1914.

#### \*"Making the Perfect Pitch" Writing Seminar

Join Katherine Sands on Friday July 21 from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Pre-registration is appreciated by calling the Library but walk-ins are welcome. Sands is a literary agent with the Sarah Jane Freymann Literary Agency, and represents a wide variety of recent and forthcoming books.

#### \*Authors' Fair

From 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Friday July 21, area authors will sell and sign their books under a tent on the Library lawn. There will be more than 20 authors on hand including: Nancy Best, Bruce Bonfield, Jan Brynilsen (Winnie McCarley), Pieter Gaskin, Sheila K. Harris, Letty Haynes, Katharyn Howd Machan, Elizabeth A. Martine, Jeanne Selander Miller, Irene Morrison, Daniel Moynihan, Eileen Parsons, Edward M. (Bovey) Pittman Jr., Peter Pringle, Cheryl A. Pula, Darrin Renner, Linda Smolarek, Kathleen E. Suits-Smith, Irene Uttendorfsky, Gary, Justin, Carol Van Riper, Dennis Webster, Jeanne Whyte, and Elizabeth Zerbst.

#### ADK Reading Garden

You are invited to the dedication of the Old Forge Library ADK Reading Garden on Saturday, July 22 from 4-6 p.m. Families with children please follow the signs to enter by way of our Story Stroll. The ceremony will begin at 4:30 p.m.

We thank the following for their interest in making the project possible as of this publication date:

State Senator Hugh Farley, Community Foundation of Herkimer & Oneida Counties, Helen Davis Family, Linda and Sarah Cohen, Mid-York Library System, Adirondack League Club, Stephen and Constance Milligan, and Mountain Music.

#### 1 ADK Music Performance

Join us on Saturday July 22 from 6:30-8:00 p.m for live music by The Cadleys under the tent on the Library lawn. The Cadleys are an acoustic, Americana/roots group performing original and traditional bluegrass and Americana songs. They are considered one of CNY's most entertaining and acoustic bands.

#### @ Adirondack Storytelling & Music Festival

Traditional Stories & Music under the tent on the library lawn. This year 's festival will be held on Sunday July 23 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, Bill Smith, Susan Trump and Roy Hurd.

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Sharing an enchantment with the Adirondacks, singer/songwriter Dan Berggren and storyteller Jeannine Laverty join for an evening of entertainment from these mountains and beyond. The performance will take place on Tuesday July 25 at 7:30 p.m.

#### \*Blame Author Presentation

Tony Holtzman will talk about his newest book, "Blame" on Tuesday August 1 at 7:30 p.m. Holtzman, a retired physician and medical researcher, is uniquely qualified to write about medical and research errors and their consequences, as he does in Blame. This is his 4th novel. He has also written and published an Adirondack Trilogy: Axton Landing, The Railroad, and Forever Wild. Tony has spent summers in the Adirondacks for over fifty years and is a member of the Adirondack Center for Writing board.

#### \* #Good Morning Loon

On Thursday August 3 from 12-1 p.m., author Elizabeth Varnai will give a family-oriented program which will include excerpts from her award winning book *Good Morning Loon* as a window into experiences a child and parents can have outdoors, especially here in the Adirondacks where the book was inspired, as well as details about of the some of the wildlife featured in the book. Part of the Summer Reading Program, the event is open to the public.

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On Tuesday August 8 at at 7:30 p.m., you will be entertained with fast-paced fiddle and banjo, mandolins, guitar, and

Recent Fiction: Ace Atkins, Robert B Parker's Little White Lies; Fredrik Backman, Beartown; Dale Brown, Price of Duty; Rita Mae Brown, A Hiss Before Dying; Bruce Cameron, A Dog's Way Home; Philip Caputo, Some Rise by Sin; Michele Campbell, It's Always the Husband; Lincoln Child, Full Wolf Moon; Michael Crichton, Dragon Teeth: Clive Cussler. Nighthawk: Dorothea Benton Frank Same Beach, Next Year; Paula Hawkins, Into the Water; Lisa Jackson, Ominous; Dennis Lehane, Since We Fell; Fern Michaels, High Stakes; Jo Nesbo, The Thirst; James Patterson, 16 Seduction; Amanda Quick, The Girl Who Knew Too Much; Richard Russo, Trajectory; Jeff Shaara, The Frozen Hours; Anita Shreve, The Stars are Fire; Danielle Steel, Against All Odds; Scott Turow, Testimony Recent Non-Fiction John Aldridge, A Speck in the Sea; The College Board, The Official SAT Study Guide; William Davis, Undoctored; Neil Degrasse Tyson, Astrophysics for People in a Hurry; David Fisher, Bill O'Reilly's: The Civil War; David Garrow, Rising Star; Allison Graham, Destined for War; David McCullough, The American Spirit; Meg Meeker, Hero; Norman Ohler, Blitzed; Condoleezza Rice, Democracy; Thomas Ricks, Churchill and Orwell; Sheryl Sandberg, Option B; David Sedaris, Theft by Finding.



ADK Mountain Landscaping Co. gave our reading garden fountain its first test in June! Join us on Saturday, July 22 from 4-6 for the dedication.

beautiful waltzes, swinging tunes, and the soulful vocals of Joe Davoli and Nick Piccininni.

Joe is a studio musician, teacher and performs fulltime with the Celtic band Ceili Rain. He has won several Syracuse Area Music Awards. Nick Piccininni got his start performing bluegrass music on the five-string banjo, playing in and around New York State. He honed his multi-instrumental skills performing with the Delaney Brothers, The Atkinson Family and

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

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CMT artists the Abrams Brothers of Kingston, Ontario.

# Mekong River and the Hill Tribes of Northern Thailand and Laos

On Tuesday August 15 at 7:30 p.m., photographer Diane Bowes will give a PowerPoint presentation on her travels to these countries and the area sometimes referred to as the Golden Triangle. Diane and her family own Covewood Lodge on Big Moose Lake. As avid natural historians and birders, she and her late husband, Major, traveled extensively to many countries. Diane continues to enjoy traveling and has managed to set foot on all seven continents!

#### +Coffeehouse Open Mic Night:

On Wednesday Aug 16 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 Writer and Emcee will be Paula Roy. 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

#### **Funding Agencies**

- 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

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are also welcome. These readings are held to inspire writers and create opportunities for regional writers to meet.

#### <sup>↑\*</sup> Reader's Theatre Production: *The Last Romance*

On Tuesday August 22 at 7:30 p.m., Mountain Theatre returns with another Readers Theatre production, "The Last Romance" by Joe DiPietro, the playwright of "Over the River and Through the Woods." This play explores relationships between men and women in their golden years, as well as how the invisible ties of family often tie our hearts harder and faster than any love affair. It's a message to all of us about seizing life with a passion. Directed by Alan Saban. The play stars MTC veterans Carrol and Joyce Turner, and Nick Olsen.

#### \$Annual Library Book Sale

This popular event will be held from Thursday August 24 to Saturday, Aug 26 during library hours. Suggested donations are: Hardcovers; \$1.00 each (six for \$5); and paperbacks; .50 each (5 for \$2) Saturday ~ Bag Day (\$3).

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



