

THE BOOKMARK

OLD FORGE LIBRARY

WINTER 2008



David Beck places an ornament on the Evergreen Wishlist Tree with the name of the book donated to the library by the Beck Family.

President's Message

As I struggled for something to say for this edition of *The Bookmark*, two thoughts came to mind—one dealt with change, the other with how things remain the same. The more I thought about it, the more these thoughts apply to our library.

There have been some remarkable changes over the past few years at the library—changes to the building, changes to the hours, changes to the services offered. The library is certainly different in a number of wonderful ways: Our building continues to grow—in size and in the ways it is used by the community. Our hours of operation are longer, and the services we offer have expanded as well. With our wireless internet access, it's not unusual to see library "patrons" in the middle of the night.

At the same time, our library has remained a familiar and friendly place—staff you have come to know (and who quickly come to know you), a warm and welcoming building full of programs and interesting ideas. We hope that you will continue to remain familiar with us and continue to support us this year. Thanks for using and supporting our library.

Don Kelly
President
Board of Trustees

Evergreen Tree Thanks

This holiday season there were 31 books donated through the library's Evergreen Tree Wish List program. The Board of Trustees and the staff wish to thank all our generous patrons and friends who donated a total of \$461.24 to this program.

The Elf Express

The Elf Express, sponsored and organized by the Old Forge Library, was held on Friday and Saturday, November 23 and 24. The co-sponsor, Adirondack Scenic Railroad, furnished eight cars that were quickly filled with 520 children, parents and friends who traveled from Thendara Station to Otter Lake and back. Gwen Tracy entertained with Christmas songs, Kiwanis Key Club volunteers read *The Polar Bear Express*, conducted games, and passed out Candy Canes and Hershey's Kisses, while Jingle Belle (Izzie Worthen) and Snowflake (Bev Meeker) kept everything running smoothly. There was no charge for children but donations were accepted from the other passengers. After expenses, this annual fundraiser event cleared \$763.45. All proceeds will benefit the Adirondack Storytelling Festival at McCauley Mountain in July 2008.

Upcoming events and programs:

Friends Annual Luncheon

The Friends of the Old Forge Library will hold their annual luncheon at the North Street Restaurant, formerly Trail's End, on Monday, January 14, 2008, beginning at 11:45 a.m. and ending at 1 p.m.

The cost is \$15 per person in advance. The menu includes soup, choice of entrée, dessert and coffee or tea. Entrée choices are Chicken Caesar Salad, Reuben Sandwich, or Turkey Club. Reservations are due at the library by January 11th.

Charlotte Award

The New York State Reading Association's Charlotte Award Club will be discussed during a program at the Old Forge Library conducted by Judy Ehrensbeck, Town of Webb School Remedial Reading Teacher, on Tuesday, January 22, from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. The program is for Primary students K to 3 and Intermediate students in 4th to 6th grades.

Mrs. Ehrensbeck, who is a member of the NYSRA Charlotte Award Committee, will talk about the books in each category that have been nominated for the award. The purpose of the Charlotte Award is to encourage students to read outstanding literature. Students who participate in the program will be eligible to vote for their favorite book in their age group along with other students throughout the state.



Kiwanis Elf Whitney Levi reads *The Polar Express* to the children on board the Elf Express.

Book Discussion Groups

The Morning Book Group meets at 9:30 a.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the library. At the first meeting the author's biography and other works are discussed and the selected book is discussed at the second meeting. The following dates and titles for this group are:

January 8 & January 22
Peony in Love by Lisa See
 February 12 & 26, *title to be announced*
 March 11 & 25, *title to be announced*

The Evening Book Group meets at 6:30 p.m. on the following dates:

Wednesday, January 2,
Visions of Sugar Plums by Janet Evanovitch

 Wednesday, February 6,
HA HA by David King.

 Wednesday, March 5,
The Memory Keeper's Daughter by Kim Edwards

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.

Sweetheart Bake-off Contest

Valentines Day at the library will be celebrated with the popular Sweetheart Bake-off Contest on Tuesday, February 12th. There are four categories: Youth Student, Teen Student, Adult and Master. To enter the contest, make your favorite dessert and bring it to the library from 11am to 5 pm that day. Judges this year are Vickie Timmerman, Leslie Bailey and Frankie Zammiello. A reception will be held at 7 pm with the announcement of the winners. The community is invited to stop in to sample the entries. And oh, they're so good.

Winter Story Hour

Pre-school children ages 3, 4 and 5 years are



Judging the Sweetheart Bake-off this year will be Frankie Zammiello, Leslie Bailey and Vickie Timmerman.

welcome to join this six-week program on Fridays from 11am to Noon beginning February 8, 2008. Registration is required. The registration deadline is Thursday, February 7, at 8 pm. and may be made by calling 369-6008 or stopping by the library.

The hour of stories and creative play will be led by Library Director Isabella Worthen. Parents are asked to provide a snack or drink for one session. A sign-up sheet will be available when registering or at an early session.

Poetry & Illustration Contest

The library is once again sponsoring this contest for students K-12 and adults throughout the Mid-York Library region and the Town of Inlet. The theme this year is "Life in the Adirondacks."

Entries will be accepted between February 1st and March 1st, and must be received at the library by 8 pm on Tuesday, March 4, or postmarked no later than that date if mailed.

There will be four categories: Student Grades K-4, Student Grades 5-8, Student Grades 9-12, and Adult. Please call the library for specific details.

Judges for the Poetry Contest are Elaine Handley and Mary Sanders Shartle. Judges for the Illustration Contest are Mel and Rosemary Matteson.

Prizes will be awarded and the winners announced to the public at the opening of the "Life in the Adirondacks" exhibit at the library on Tuesday, March 25th at 7 pm. Participants whose poems and illustrations win or receive Honorable Mention in their divisions will have an opportunity to read and/or display and discuss their work. Following the presentations, a reception will be hosted by the Friends of the Old Forge Library.

The exhibit will be on display through the month of April in celebration of National Library Week. This program is funded by the Friends.

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 Feb 29 to March 28. The library will have a special collection of books for lending that are related to this year's PARP theme (to be announced during the Kick-off ceremonies). Each Friday from March 7 to March 28, there will be a drawing and the lucky winner will receive a prize. Students may enter the drawing each week by checking books out at the library and they are encouraged to bring their parents to the library to check books out together!

Anthology For Sale

Copies of the Anthology of the 2007 Poetry & Illustration Contest entitled, "The Adirondack Waterways: Tributaries to the World," are now on sale. The Anthology includes all of the entries in the 2007 contest. The publication is funded by the Central New York Community Arts Council, The Adirondack Express, and the Friends of the Old Forge Library.

The Second Hand Book Room on the 2nd floor of the library has a great selection of paperbacks for sale at 25 cents each or five for \$1, and hard cover books at 50 cents each or five for \$2.

Tax Forms Available from the Internet Only

Printed tax products are no longer available from the Internal Revenue Service or the New York State Tax Department. In the past, these government agencies have sent quantities of the most-used forms and publications to the library where they were made available to the public. However, in the past several years, these agencies have encouraged the public to download the forms from the internet. To obtain IRS Tax Products, please visit: www.irs.gov.formspub and www.tax.state.ny.us/forms.

ADULT FICTION David Baldacci, *Stone Cold*, HC/CD; Steve Berry, *The Venetian Betrayal*, HC/CD; Sandra Brown, *A Whole New Light*, HC/CD; Jennifer Chiaverini, *The New Year's Quilt*, HC/CD; Clive Cussler, *The Chase*, HC/CD; Barbara Delinsky, *The Secret Between Us*, HC/CD; Janet Evanovich, *Plum Lucky*, HC/CD; Julie Garwood, *Shadow Music*, HC/CD; John Grisham, *The Appeal*, HC/CD; Greg Iles, *Third Degree*, HC/CD; Dean Koontz, *The Darkest Evening of the year*, HC; Jayne Ann Krentz, *Sizzle and Burn*, HC/CD; John Lescroart, *Betrayal*, HC/CD; Colleen McCullough, *Anthony & Cleopatra*, HC; Judith McNaught, *Can't Take My Eyes off of you*, HC/CD; Sue Miller, *The Senator's Wife*, HC/CD; James Patterson, *Double Cross*, HC/CD; Alexander McCall Smith, *Love Over Scotland*, HC/CD; Kathleen Woodiweiss, *Everlasting*, HC/CD; Stuart Woods, *Beverly Hills Dead*, HC/CD.

ADULT NON-FICTION Jonathan Alderfer, *National Geographic Birding Essentials*, HC; Tom Brokaw, *Boom!*, HC; May Lee Chai, *China A to Z*, HC; Betty Crocker, Ed., *Betty Crocker Whole Grains Everyday Recipes* HC; Dinesh D'Souza, *What's so Great About Christianity?* HC; Norm Flayderman, *Flayderman's Guide to Antique American*, HC; *Firearms & their Value 9th ed.*; George Klein, *Elvis Presley: The Family Album*, HC; Bernard Kolster, *The Acupressure Atlas*, HC; JK Lasser Institute *JK Lasser's Your Income Tax 2008*, HC; John Lithgow, *The Poet's Corner with CD*, HC/CD; Elizabeth Lluch, *Easy Wedding Planning 5th*, PB; Shirley MacLaine, *Sage-ing While Age-ing*, HC; Nicholas Perricone *Ageless Face, Ageless Mind*, HC; Anna Quindlen, *Good Dog Stay*, HC; Jordan Rubin, *Great Physician's RX for Fibromyalgia & HC; Chronic Fatigue*; Martha St. Clair, *Sun & Moon Signs*, HC.



Library director, Isabella Worthen does more than read stories at pre-school story hour. She sometimes acts out the part of the characters. In the photo, she captivates her young audience as she acts out the part of a kangaroo during the Fall 2007 story hour session that was devoted to kangaroos.

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Old Forge Library Programs

Wed, Jan 2	Evening Book Group: <i>Visions of Sugar Plums</i>	6:30 pm
Tues, Jan 8, 22	Morning Book Group: <i>Peony in Love</i>	9:30 am
Jan 10, Feb. 14 Mar. 13, Apr. 10	Old Forge Library Association Meetings	5:30 pm
Jan 14	Friends Annual Luncheon, North Street Restaurant	11:45 am
Jan 22	Charlotte Award Program	6:30-7:30 pm
Feb 6	Evening Book Group: HA HA	6:30 pm
Feb 8	Six week Pre-school Story Hour begins	11 am-noon
Feb 12	Sweetheart Bake-off Reception (entries due between 11 am and 5 pm)	7 pm
Feb 12, 26	Morning Book Group (title to be announced)	9:30 am
Feb 29	Kick-off of PARP@OFL (Parents as Reading Partners) Each Friday, March 7, 14, 21, & 28 winners drawn at 8 pm	
Mar 5	Evening Book Group: <i>The Memory Keeper's Daughter</i>	6:30 pm
Mar 11, 25	Morning Book Group (title to be announced)	9:30 am
March 25	"Life in the Adirondacks" Exhibit Opening & Reception	7 pm

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



Carol Morrison, Jay Lawson and his daughter, Kaycie, discuss the work of Gary and Mitch Lee during the opening reception of their exhibit. Their work is currently on display in the Judith Lowenstein Cohen Memorial Wing.

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