

THE BOOKMARK

OLD FORGE LIBRARY

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Presidents Message

The snow is gone, the lakes are opening up and we're looking forward to so many things: time outdoors (without heavy clothes, hats and mittens), an end to the heating season, and the return of summer residents to the Adirondacks. Welcome back! We hope your winter went well, and that we'll see you often around town and at the Library. We've once again got a great season of events planned and hope to see you soon. For those of you who spent the winter with us, come and enjoy well-earned spring and summer activities with us. Enjoy the season!

*Don Kelly, President
Board of Trustees*

Plaque in Memory of J. Richard and Ruth Noonan

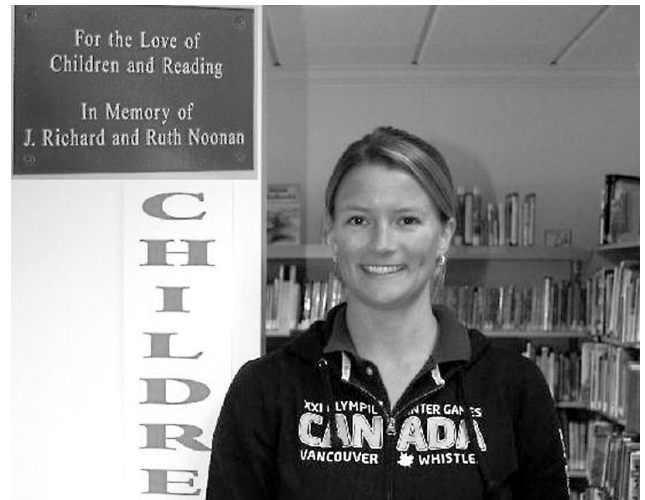
The Old Forge Library, as well as other community organizations, is fortunate to have the support of our community's businesses and residents. The Noonan family has shown its support in the past by serving on our board, by participating in our activities and programs, and through financial support. In recognition of the Noonan family's support, the library has placed a plaque at the entrance of the Children's Room that reads: "For the Love of Children and Reading. In Memory of J. Richard and Ruth Noonan." We thank them for all they have done.

**Poetry & Illustration Exhibit

The winners of the 2010 Poetry and Illustration Workshop were announced during the Opening Exhibit and Reception on Tuesday, March 23. Library Director Isabella Worthen, who co-ordinates the contest each year, welcomed the big gathering of family and friends, and the winners were introduced by Master of Ceremonies, Michael Cunningham. There were 234 Poetry submissions and 59 illustration entries from 24 towns and villages in Herkimer, Madison and Oneida counties, in addition to entries from Inlet. Judges for Poetry were Mary Kathryn Jablonski and Elizabeth Ward. Judging the Illustrations were Georgia Talarico and Joan Balder Cook. The exhibit was hung by members of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, and prizes and refreshments were provided by the Friends of the Old Forge Library. All of the entries will remain on exhibit in the Judith Cohen Memorial Wing of the library until Friday, May 28, and everyone is invited to vote for their favorite poem or illustration.

Poetry First Prize Winners: Grade K-4 winner: Grace Goerner, Utica, "Sticky Situation." Grade 5-8 winner: Shyla DeLand, Remsen, "Anne Frank." Grade 9-12 winner: Greg Hunkins, Old Forge, "The Rope" Adult Winner: David Waite, Chittenango, "Loose Sheets."

Illustration First Prize Winners: Grade K-4 winner:



Katie Noonan pictured here next to the plaque in memory of her grandparents J. Richard and Ruth Noonan in recognition of all their family has done in support of children, reading and the Old Forge Library.

Trinity Little, Woodgate, "Untitled." Grade 5-8 winner: Hannah Goerner, Rome, "Spring Mandala." Grade 9-12 winner: Jessica Menges, Old Forge, "Elements." Adult Winner: Sue Freese, Old Forge, "Wild Flower Sampler."

First Prize Poetry Winner: (Grade 9-12) "The Rope" By Greg Hunkins, Grade 9, Old Forge

The Rope

The rope is getting shorter
A rope is like your life
You see Different looks or colors
Purchased in all different sizes
They can lift when you're down
Limited to life or use
They sometimes get in knots
Sometimes can't be undone
Limited to what they can hold
Some are stronger than others
Can be rough outside but still be strong
A rope is like your life you see just like you and me
A rope
Is like
Your life
You see
Just like you and me

Friends Membership Drive

The Friends of the Old Forge Library, a fundraising organization that benefits the library, is seeking new members to attend a one-hour meeting the first Tuesday of each month to conduct business and plan events. There are no dues or obligations other than a personal

commitment to the library. To join, just show up at one of our meetings. The next one is May 4 at noon.

New Email Notification Service

Mid-York Library System is now offering to notify Old Forge Library patrons by e-mail that an item they requested is available for pickup at the library. This will replace telephone notification. To take advantage of this service, patrons who have e-mail access should send an e-mail to: Librarynotice@midyork.org with their name and library card number, or call the library at 369-6008 for more information.

The Babysitting Clinic

The Babysitting Clinic will be held on three consecutive Wednesday evenings beginning May 5 from 6:30 to 8 pm, for students ages 10 and up. On May 5, Karen Beck and Judy Ehrensbeck will discuss Educational Play. On May 12, David Berkstresser, EMT, will give a talk on Health & Safety. During the final session on May 19, Dietician, Kelly Hamlin, will discuss Food & Nutrition. Students who have not taken the course in the past, may register at school or register at the library by 8 pm, Tuesday, May 4. To receive a Babysitter's Certificate you must attend all three sessions.

+Annual Bicycle Clinic

The annual bicycle clinic for children in Pre-K to 6th grades will be held at the library on Friday, May 14, from 2-4 p.m. Town of Webb Police Chief John Russell will conduct a safety clinic to discuss road signs and hand signals. Also taking part is Ted Christodaro from Pedals & Petals in Inlet who will inspect bicycles and supervise the mechanical station. Refreshments will be provided by the Old Forge Fire Department Auxiliary. Advance registration is not required.

%Linking Lives Through Reading

The annual intergenerational "one-on-one" reading program for first graders who attend the Town of Webb and Inlet Schools will be conducted each Thursday from May 6 to June 10, from 3-4 pm. Call the library to register your first grader or to volunteer as a "Book Buddie" by May 1st at 3 pm. Adult volunteers are always needed.

Spring Story Hour

The six-week Story Hour for preschoolers age 3, 4 and 5+ years-old will be held at the library each Friday from May 7 to June 11, from 11 am to 12 noon. Library director Isabella Worthen will lead the hour of stories and creative play. The children take part in games, crafts, songs and other activities and also become acquainted with the library. Pre-registration is required by calling the library at 369-6008 by 8 pm, Thursday, May 6.

Book Groups

The Evening Book Group meets Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. On May 5, they will discuss "The Outliers" by Malcolm Gladwell. On Wednesday, June 2, "Sarah's Key," by Tatiana deRosnay will be discussed.

Morning Book Group

The Morning Book Group will meet Tuesday, May

11, 9:30 am at the home of Hazel Dellavia to discuss, "Oslo in April" with author John Slade. Bring a dish to pass. New members are always welcome to join the book groups. Copies of the books to be discussed can be reserved by calling the library.

***The Summer Writer's Workshop**

The Summer Writer's Workshop is offering two Workshops this year: an Adult Workshop and a Children's Workshop. The Adult sessions will be held on the following Wednesdays: July 14, 21, 28 and August 4, from 6 - 8:30 p.m. The Children's Workshop will be held on the following Thursdays: July 22, 29 and August 5, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. The director for both workshops is author Bibi Wein who has taught numerous workshops in fiction, memoir and poetry to both beginning and experienced writers from ages 11 through 90. Her most recent publications include a short story in the anthology "Motif: Written by Ear" (Motes Books, 2009) and the award-winning memoir, "The Way Home: A Wilderness Odyssey" (Tupelo Press.) Her essay "Home" will appear in the anthology "Why We're Here," edited by Bob Cowser, to be published this fall by Colgate University Press.

Twice nominated for the Pushcart Prize, Wein has been a fellow of the NY Foundation for the Arts, Blue Mountain Center, Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, and Yaddo. She has written frequently for *Adirondack Life*, and is a contributing writer for *Wildflower*, the magazine of the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower at the University of Texas at Austin. In addition to working on a new memoir, she is also busy editing several poetry collections and a new edition of a *New York Times* bestseller for private clients. She was director of the Summer's Writer's Workshop in 2004 and she is looking forward to returning for her second residency at the Old Forge Library.

There is no fee for the workshops, but enrollment is limited. Participants are required to submit a piece of work to be completed during the workshop that will be included in an Anthology. There will be a special reading by all participants on Wednesday, August 11, at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend. To register for the Adult Workshop or the Children's Workshop, call Library Director Isabella Worthen at (315) 369-6008 by July 1.

Readers Theatre Encore Production

Returning by popular demand, Mountain Theatre Company will present a Readers Theatre Encore Performance of "Over the River and Through the Woods," directed by Alan Saban, on Friday, June 18, at 7 p.m. in the Judith Lowenstein Cohen Wing of the library. The cast includes Ted and Edie Schreppe and Jim and Lani Ulrich as the grandparents of main character, Nick, played by Alan Saban. Kelly Hamlin plays his love interest, Caitlin. The hilarious comedy by Joe DiPietro was a hit in New York City in the 1990s. It is free and open to the public. Donations will be accepted on behalf of Mountain Theatre Company.

Authors Series

*Irene Uttendorfsky, author of "Children's and Young Adult Historical Fiction" and "Children's Chapter Books" will present the program, "Finding a Story in

History," on June 22, at 7 p.m. She will also talk about her latest chapter book, "Adirondack Mouse and the Mysterious Disappearance," (2009). Her previous Adirondack Mouse chapter book, "Adirondack Mouse and the Perilous Journey," won the Adirondack Center for Writing Literary Award: 2006 Best Childrens Book. Her other books include: "A Punkeyville Girl: A Tale of Old Forestport and the Canals"; "Hannah and the Two Sisters, An Erie Canal Adventure" and "When Thunder Rolls, The Underground Railroad and the Civil War." She is currently working on a book about the Revolutionary War in the Mohawk Valley as seen through the eyes of an Oneida Indian. A reception with refreshments and a book signing will follow her presentation.

**"Indian Givers - True Story of Moss Lake," published by Authorhouse in 2009, will be discussed by the authors Romey Gallo and Wayne Martin on Tuesday, June 29. Gallo and Martin, both retired State Police First Sergeants, were involved in the events that occurred from 1974 to 1977 during the occupation of the Moss Lake Girls Camp by a group of Mohawk Indians from Canada. The events included roadblocks and two shooting incidents. The tense situation was finally resolved with an agreement by New York State to relocate the Mohawks to land in Clinton County. The program begins at 7 p.m. Refreshments and a book signing will follow the presentation.

Photography Exhibit

The Opening Reception of a Photography Exhibit by L. E. Bartel will be held Friday, May 28, from 5-7 p.m. Bartel, formerly of Ithaca, and now living in Lewiston, Maine, is a self-taught photographer who records wildlife and landscape images in digital format. Describing his work, he said, "I have found that my camera is simply a means by which I can be more present and more mindful of my environment; seeing the extraordinary and making it more visible." It's been said that Bartel is equally at home in a fine art photography gallery or in commercial work. Refreshments will be served by the Friends of the Library. The Exhibit will be on view until June 30.

Recent Fiction

David Baldacci, *Deliver Us from Evil* (HC/CD); Elizabeth Berg, *The Last Time I Saw You* (HC/CD); Sarah Blake, *Postmistress* (HC/CD); Mary Higgins Clark, *The Shadow of your Smile* (HC/CD); Heidi W. Durrone, *Girl Who Fell from the Sky* (HC/CD); Richard Paul Evans, *The Walk* (HC/CD); Joy Fielding, *Wild Zone* (HC/CD); Martha Grimes, *The Black Cat* (HC/CD); Kristen Hannah, *Winter Garden* (HC/CD); Lisa Jackson, *Without Mercy* (HC/CD); Iris Johansen, *Eight Days to Live* (HC/CD); Eric Lustbader, *Last Snow* (HC/CD); Sue Miller, *The Lake Shore Limited* (HC/CD); Robert B. Parker, *Split Image* (HC/CD); James Paterson, *Worst Case* (HC/CD); Alexander McCall Smith, *The Double Comfort Safari Club* (HC/CD); Dana Stabenow, *Night too Dark* (HC/CD); Danielle Steel, *Big Girl* (HC/CD); Andriana Trigiani, *Brava Valentine* (HC/CD); Stuart Woods, *Lucid Intervals* (HC/CD).

Recent Non-Fiction

Daniel Amen, *Change Your Brain, Change Your Body*; Marty Becker, *Ultimate Bird Lover*; Carol Burnett, *This Time Together*; John J Connolly, *America's Top Doctors*; Leo Damresch, *Tocqueville's Discovery of America*; Ashley English, *Homemade Living: Canning and Preserving*; Gary Greenberg, *Manufacturing Depression*; Mosab Hassan, *Yousef, Son of Hamas*; John Lancaster, *I.O.U: Why Everyone Owes Everyone*; Bill McKibben, *Eaarth*; Evelyn Monahan, *Few Good Women*; Carl Picard, *Why Good Kids Act Cruel*; Murray Rockowitz, *Barron's GED*; Alice Waters, *In The Green Kitchen*; Marisa Weiss, *Living Well Beyond Breast Cancer*.



Back Row: David Waite, Greg Hunkins Middle Row: Sue Freese, Jessica Menges, Front Row: Grace Goerner, Trinity Liddle, Shyla Deland (missing from Photo: Hannah Goerner).

Book Sale Room

The library has an ongoing book sale room on the second floor that is handicapped accessible. Paperbacks are 50 cents each and hard cover books are \$1.00 each.

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Spring Library Hours

Tue-Fri 11:00 a.m.
through 8:00 p.m.

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

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Old Forge Library Programs

Tue. May 4	Friends of the Library Meeting	12 to 1 pm
Wed. May 5	Babysitting Clinic: Educational Play, Karen Beck & Judy Ehrensbeck,	6:30-8 pm
Wed. May 5	Evening Book Group discusses "The Outliers" by Malcolm Gladwell	6:30 pm
Thur. May 6 - June 10	% Linking Lives Through Reading (Book Buddies & 1st Graders)	3-4 pm
Fri. May 7-Jun.11	Spring Story Hour (3, 4, & 5+ year-olds)	11-Noon
Tue. May 11	Morning Book Group, Oslo in April, w/author John Slade, Hazel Dellavia's home, dish to pass.	9:30 am
Wed. May 12	Babysitting Clinic: Health & Safety, Dave Berkstresser, EMT	6:30-8 pm
Thur. May 13	Library Board Meeting	5:30 pm
Fri. May 14	+ Bicycle Clinic (Pre-K to 6th grade)	2-4:00 pm
Wed. May 19	Babysitting Clinic: Food & Nutrition, Kelly Hamlin, dietician	6:30-8 pm
Fri. May 28	Photography Exhibit Opening, L. E. Bartel. Reception	5-7 pm
Tue. June 1	Friends of the Library Meeting	12 -1 pm
Wed. June 2	Evening Book Group, Sarah's Key, by Tatiana deRosnay	6:30 pm
Fri. June 5	First Friday Art Walk, L.E. Bartell Photography	5-8 pm

Thur. June	Library Board Meeting	5:30 pm
Fri. June 18	Readers Theatre Encore Production of "Over the River and Through the Woods," Mountain Theatre Co. Alan Saban, Director,	7 pm
Tue. June 22	* Irene Uttendorfsky, author of middle grade chapter books and young adult historical fiction, with her program, "Finding a Story in History"	7 pm
Tue. June 29	* Romey Gallo and Wayne Martin, authors of "Indian Givers: True Story of Moss Lake"	7 pm
Wed. July 14, 21, 28 & Aug. 4	* Adult Summer Writers Adult Workshop	6-8:30 pm
Thur. July 22, 29, & Aug. 5	* Children's Summer Writer's Workshop	1:30-3:30 pm

Funding Agencies:

- + Town of Webb Police, Ted Christodaro of Pedals & Petals & Fire Dept. Auxiliary
- % Leola Tobin Memorial Fund
- * New York State Council on the Arts: Literature Program
- ** Art Creating Community Decentralization Regrant Program of the New York State Council on the Arts, Stanley Center for the Arts and Friends of the Old Forge Library



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

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