

THE BOOKMARK

OLD FORGE LIBRARY

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President's Message

Wow it's been a long winter! (There's more snow in the forecast as I write this, so maybe I shouldn't use the past tense.) Although I can't say I've been happy about the driving, I can say I've been happy about the skiing. The winter's been good to us as a community. Town was busy and so was the library. But now it's time for winter to move along—I'm looking forward to getting outside with fewer layers on.

The spring and summer bring new events to the library. Soon you'll be able to sit outside and read, get your e-mail or just enjoy the surroundings. When you do, I hope you'll take the opportunity to check out all of the programs, activities and resources we have to offer—the more you do with us, the happier we are. Hope to see you at the library soon.

Don Kelly

**Poetry and Illustration Exhibit

The winners of the 2013 Poetry and Illustration Contest, "Journeys Taken," were announced during the opening exhibit reception held on March 19. Library Director, Isabella Worthen, who coordinates the program each year, welcomed a large gathering of family and friends and the winners were introduced by Master of Ceremonies, Michael Cunningham. There were 123 Poetry submissions and 98 Illustration entries from the Mid York Library System counties of Herkimer, Oneida and Madison as well as the Town of Inlet. Judges for Poetry were Robert Hershon and Donna Brook. Judging the Illustrations were Suzanne Firsching and Jane Grace Taylor.

In conjunction with the exhibit, the Library hosted Poetry Workshops led by: Chris Holt, Paula Roy and Star Livingstone. Illustration Workshops were led by Karen Beck, Susan Freese and Jim Tracy.

The Exhibit was hung by the 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 May 23. Please stop by to see the exhibit and cast your vote for your favorite poem or illustration.

Poetry First Place Winners: Grade K-4: Katie Kelly, Inlet, "Tree Climb Journey"; Grade 5-8: Sarah Beck, Woodgate, "My Journey"; Grade 9-12: Emily Crist, Barneveld, "Journey Road"; Adult: Star Livingstone, Woodgate, "Road Angel."

Illustration First Place Winners: Grade K-4: Karleigh Hollister, Old Forge, "Untitled"; Grade 5-8: Sarah Beck, Woodgate, "Traveling Towards My Dreams";



At the "Journeys Taken" Poetry and Illustration reception Patti Delano shared her Honorable Mention illustration entitled "So much of who we are is where we have been" with the audience.

Grade 9-12: Megan Greene, Old Forge, "Looking Back on Yesterday's Journey"; Adult: Lorraine Kreimeyer, Whitesboro, "My Fairytale Life."

The James Mulvihill Memorial Award for Imagination: Jameson Pratt, Big Moose, 3rd grade.

Journey Road

They say it's the journey in life that counts
Not the destination
So I've been driving to my destination
I've been driving for awhile
Not as long as others may think
And the road is usually nice and clean
Bereft of bumps or tough spots
But these last few I've passed on
I've noticed the road gets very nasty
Very bumpy
I'm holding onto my hat
That is my sanity
Let's hope it doesn't fly out the window.

*Emily Crist
Grade 9, Barneveld*



“Journeys Taken” Poetry and Illustration Winners are:
Back row: Emily Crist, Megan Greene, and Star Livingstone. **Front row:** Sarah Beck, Katie Kelly and Jameson Pratt. *(Not pictured)* Karleigh Hollister and Lorraine Kreimeyer.

Book Groups

New members are always welcome to join the Book Groups. Copies of the books to be discussed can be reserved by calling the Library.

Morning Book Group: usually meets the third Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. On May 28 they will discuss “Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet” by Jamie Ford. The Morning Book Group does not meet during the summer months but will reconvene in September.

Evening Book Group: meets the last Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Library. On May 29 they will meet to discuss “The Language of Flowers” by Vanessa Diffenbaugh. On June 26 they will discuss “A Breath Away” by local author Jeanne Selander Miller.

Events, Programs, and Workshops

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

Babysitting Clinic: A Babysitting Clinic will be held on 4 Wednesdays in May from 6:30-7:45 p.m. On May 1, Karen Beck and Judy Ehrensbeck, teachers, will discuss Educational Play. On May 8, David Berkstresser, Paramedic Instructor, will give a talk on Health and Safety. On May 15, Kandis Griffin, Guidance Counselor, will teach a class on Childhood Development. During the final session on May 22, Dietician Kelly Hamlin will discuss Food and Nutrition. To receive a Baby Sitter Certificate you must attend all four sessions. (You may make up one missed session by taking and passing a test). This course is open to Students age 10 and up who have not previously taken it. Registration is required by Tuesday April 30 by 8 p.m.

% Linking Lives Through Reading: The Spring Session of this intergenerational “one-on-one” reading program is open to first graders in the Town of Webb and Inlet School Districts and home schooled students. It will be held each Thursday from May 2 through June 6 from 3-4 p.m. Call the Library at 369-6008 by 3 p.m. on Saturday April 27 to register your first grader and/or to volunteer as a “Book Buddy.” Adult Volunteers are always needed.

☀ Toddler Story Time: This six-session program will be held on Fridays from May 3 through June 7 from 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. It is for toddlers ages 1-2 and a parent or caregiver. 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 May 2 at 8 p.m.

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 3 through June 7 from 11 a.m. till Noon. Library Director Isabella Worthen will lead the hour of stories and creative play. The children will take part in games, crafts, songs and other activities as they become acquainted with the library. Please call the library at 369-6008 to register by 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 2.

Annual Bicycle Safety Clinic: The Annual Bicycle Safety Clinic for children Pre K-6 grades will be held at the Library on Friday May 17 from 2:15-4 p.m. Town of Webb Police Officer Kevin Birtle will discuss road signs and hand signals. Also taking part will be Ted Christodaro from Pedals and 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.

The Basics of Alzheimer’s Disease and Dementia: This program will be presented by the CNY Alzheimer Association on Thursday May 23 at 3:30 p.m. If you or someone you know is affected by Alzheimer’s disease or dementia, it’s time to learn the facts. This program discusses the difference between normal aging and dementia, explores how the brain works, defines dementia and goes through the different stages of the disease, explains the importance of clinical trials and gives an overview of the programs and services offered by the Alzheimer’s Association. Reservations required. Call 617-4025 ext. 125

\$Friend’s Book Sale: In conjunction with the Town-wide Garage Sales, the Friends will hold a Book Sale on Saturday May 25 from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m. on the x Library lawn. There will be a large selection of used children’s books and adult paperbacks for sale at reasonable prices.

↑New Art Exhibit Opens: the Library will host the “Adirondack Pastel Society 2013” Art Exhibit. It will be on display at the Library from May 25-June 28.

The exhibit opening reception will be held on Friday June 7 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Members from around the Adirondack Region will show their pastels in conjunction with the Northeast National Pastel Exhibition at View. The Adirondack Pastel Society was founded in Glens Falls NY in 2008 with the objective to provide exhibiting opportunities to pastel artists, and to educate the public, gallery owners and collectors about the merits and beauty of the soft pastel medium.

◆ *Open Mic Night*: The Library will host an Open Mic Night for Writers in a Coffee House setting on Wednesday, May 29 at 7:00pm. Featured Reader and Emcee will be Susan Knight. 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 on participating on Open Mic Night please call the Library at 369-6008 ahead of time so they may plan accordingly. Each person who attends will receive a "Poem in your Pocket" to be read on June 5 to others at work, in school, or to their family and friends. An additional Open Mic Night is planned for the summer. These readings are held to inspire writers and create opportunities for regional writers to meet.

A Poem in the Pocket: On Wednesday, June 5 don't forget to read your Poem in the Pocket to your family, friends, fellow students or coworkers.

Film Series: The Library will host a Film Discussion Series: Dystopian and Post-Apocalyptic Films ~ what messages do they seek to convey about society and the

Recent Adult Fiction

Susan Wittig Albert, *Widow's Tears* (HC); Tilly Bagshame, *Sidney Sheldon's The Tides of Memory* (HC); Elizabeth Berg, *Tapstry of Fortunes* (HC/CD); Barbara Taylor Bradford, *Secrets from the Past* (HC); Patricia Briggs, *Frost Burned* (HC); Mary Higgins Clark, *Daddy's Gone A-Hunting* (HC/CD); Heather Graham, *Let the Dead Sleep* (HC); Iris Johansen, *Taking Eve* (HC); Mary Beth Keane, *Fever* (HC); Elizabeth Lowell, *Dangerous Refuge* (HC); Debbie Macomber, *Starting Now* (HC/CD/LT); Phillip Margolin, *Sleight of hand* (HC/CD); Anne Perry, *Midnight at Marble Arch* (HC); Kevin Powers, *Yellow Birds* (HC/CD); Amanda Quick, *Mystery Woman* (HC); Nora Roberts, *Whiskey Beach* (HC); James Salter, *All that is* (HC); Lisa Scottoline, *Don't Go* (HC); Menna Van Praag, *House at the End of Hope Street* (HC); Stuart Woods, *Unintended Consequences* (HC/CD).

Recent Adult Non-Fiction

Maya Angelou, *Mom & Me & Mom*; Jane Aronson, *Carried in our Hearts: The Gift of Adoption*; Ben Carson, *America The Beautiful*; Dorrie Clark, *Reinventing you: Define Your Brand*; Clive Davis, *Soundtrack of My Life*; Sarah Fielke, *Hand Quilted With Love*; Charles Graeber, *Good Nurse: A True Story of Medicine, Madness & Murder*; Laura Hillenbrand, *Unbroken: A World War II of Survival, Resilience & Redemption*; Cissy Houston, *Remembering Whitney: My Story Love & Loss*; Michael Mass, *Salt Sugar Fat: How the Food Giants Hooked Us*; Leigh Newman, *Still Points North: One Alaskan Childhood*; Letty Cottin Pogrebin, *How to be a Friend to a Friend who is Sick*; Michael Pollan, *Cooked: A Natural History of Transformation*; Sonia Sotomayor, *My Beloved World*; Pat Summitt, *Sum it Up: A Thousand & Ninety Eight Victories.*

human spirit? Join us to view and discuss three films from 5-7:30 p.m. on the following Tuesdays: June 4 ~ Gattaca, June 11 ~ The Hunger Games and June 18 ~ The Road. Paula Roy will be the Discussion Leader. Paula has led many of the Library's Film Programs and we are pleased to have her again.

Book Talk: Nikki Friedlander will give a presentation and read from her book , "The Divine Journey: from the Ego to the Sacred Heart" on Tuesday June 25 at 7:30 p.m. The book is about a woman from a middle class Jewish family who embarks in an unorthodox spiritual journey after a series of personal challenges. Friedlander, a long time summer resident of Old Forge, has dedicated much of her life to Spiritual Development and believes in the importance of creating an inner reality to match the beauty she sees in the outer world. Her book will be available for purchase and author signing.

#Summer Reading Program: Get ready for an exciting summer reading program as the Old Forge Library sponsors "Dig into Reading." Don't miss this timely way to encourage your child to continue reading throughout July! On the following Thursdays from Noon to 1:00 p.m. there will be a variety of activities for children pre-K and up (K & younger must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver): June 27 ~ Summer Reading Kick-off and Registration, "Plant a Tree with Gary Lee" you will also take another tree home to plant plus other fun digging activities; July 11 ~ last day to

<p>Old Forge Library Association</p> <p><i>Officers</i> Donald Kelly <i>President</i> Kirsten Down <i>Vice President</i> Judy Ehrensbeck <i>Recording Secretary</i> Wende Carr <i>Corresponding Secretary</i> Mona Lincoln <i>Treasurer</i></p> <p><i>Trustees</i> Danielle Beckingham David Berkstresser Barbara Criss Hazel Dellavia Jennifer Hartsig Kathy Rivet</p> <p><i>Trustee Emerita</i> Sarah Cohen</p> <p><i>Director</i> Isabella Worthen</p> <p><i>Key Staff</i> Karen Lee Beverly Meeker Beth Pashley</p>	<p>Friends of The Old Forge Library</p> <p><i>Officers</i> 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><i>Directors</i> 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 22, 2013</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>Newsletter design and production by Eric Johnson.</i></p>
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register, Attendance Raffle and "Digging in the Dirt" with Robin Bady, Storyteller (Open to the Public); July 18 ~ "Diary of a Worm" Journaling, Attendance Raffle & other surprises; July 25 ~ "Color your own Poster," "Do Not Disturb" door hanger to take home, "Underground Times" newspaper, and Attendance Raffle; Aug 1 ~ "Pyramid Party" Finale, Attendance Raffle, Awards, and Refreshments.

Treat your child to a great time this summer and strengthen his or her reading skills at the same time! Children who register for the Summer Reading Program will receive a reading record to record the time they've read or listened to books during July. At the end of the program participants will receive a "Dig into Reading" library card holder, and if they've spent 5 hours or more reading or being read to they will also receive a certificate and a "Dig into Reading" orange cup.

+*Adirondack Stories*: Bill Smith returns to the Library on Tuesday July 2 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 country life in the old days, and get nostalgic when he sings. You won't want to miss this event!

*Summer Writers Workshops: This year's workshops will feature a 4 session Adult Workshop and a four-session Tweens & Teen Workshop. The Workshops

will be held on Wednesdays July 10-July 31. The Tweens & Teen Workshops will meet from 3-4:30 p.m. and The Adult Sessions will meet from 7-8:30 p.m. The director of both workshops will be Mason Smith. Smith is the author of three novels and has written numerous feature articles for *Sports Illustrated*, *Outside*, *Esquire*, *Adirondack Life*, *Quest*, *Yankee*, *Gray's Sporting Journal* and *WoodenBoat Magazine*. He also builds and restores boats in his shop "Adirondack Goodboats" in Long Lake NY. Enrollment is limited. Please call the Library at 369-6008 to register for either workshop.

Funding Agencies

- ◆ Adirondack Center for Writing
- ↑ First Friday Art Walk Participant
- § Friends of the Library Fund Raiser
- % Leola Tobin Memorial Fund
- + NYSCA: Presenting and the Friends of the Old Forge Library.
- * New York State Council on the Arts: The Literature Program
- ** Partnership Program: New York State Council on the Arts; CNY/ARTS and The Friends of the Old Forge Library
- ☼ The Town of Webb Recreation Program
- # The Town of Webb & Mid York Library System & Federal Library Services and Technology Act Funds



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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