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We Want Your Stuff!!

Circle the dates on your calendar! Our renowned annual Books, Antiques, Food & Things sale will be Friday through Sunday, July 16-18, from 9:00-4:00. Spring cleaning? Looking to unclutter your space? Have leftovers from a garage sale that you don't want to store? We are now accepting donations of items for the sale, except for large items (such as furniture), which should be delivered Thursday, July 15. We regret we cannot accept clothing and shoes, bowling balls, encyclopedias, Reader's Digest condensed books, textbooks, and outdated skis and boots.

Featured Volunteer

Alison Haas, archivist at the Olympic museum in Lake Placid, came into the library one day and asked if she could volunteer in the archives. We had been looking for someone to assist in that area for quite some time, so Board member and volunteer Archive Committee Chair, Bethany Krawiec, wasted no time taking her up on her generous offer. Alison has set up a schedule to come in and scan our slides onto discs and she assists Karen as well, including as a reader for the Children's Story Hour. This picture was taken while Alison was substituting for Karen.



There are many opportunities for serving the library and contributing time, talents and enthusiasm. We are always looking for ideas for new programs and services, volunteers to work at our fund-raisers, and people to help with library tasks. Talk to Karen if you can assist us.

Program News

Stephen Longmire's artist reception in February showcased not only his photographic talent, but also his verbal skills at painting a picture of Sag Harbor, its many transformations, and the ongoing struggle between preservation and economic viability. In addition, Steve gave a sneak preview of his current project, "Life and Death on the Prairie," highlighting a virtually untouched patch of land in, of all places, a spacious cemetery! We hope Steve will mount another exhibit next year. The picture at left illustrates our new hanging system, thanks to Steve's research on our behalf.

Joann Wilson, who has recently moved to Jay, is displaying her solar prints, pastels, and monoprints through the end of May. She says, "I have always been inspired by open space and vast expanses of sky and light. The light is always



key, and the Adirondack Park provides that and more at every turn ...much of the work shown here was inspired by this area. Photos taken during visits ... have often provided the base for ... my printmaking as well as pastel paintings." Her reception was on April 11.



During the month of June we hope to mount an exhibit of old photographs from our archives and display the two Picturing our Past albums of old buildings and homes in the communities of Jay and Upper Jay.

Writers' Collective, under the leadership of Bob Segall, meets at 7:00 pm the third Tuesday of each month. Writers in any genre are welcome to come and share their work. Quilters Gathering continues to meet monthly at the library. Check with Bethany Krawiec (946-1295) for dates and times.

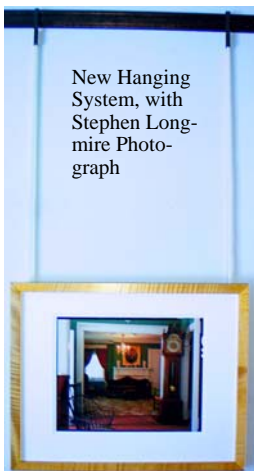
Library News

We were deeply saddened by the death of Lucy Ritchie. She was a close friend of Kay LeClair's and was at the library virtually every day Kay was librarian, helping with myriad library tasks. Lucy was a board member from 1990 to 2000, and served part of that time as Vice President. When she resigned from the board she was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for her years of dedication.

Eileen Clar held a popular two-session workshop on computer use. The sign-up sheet was barely on Karen's desk before the maximum number of participants had signed up. The sessions were made possible by a grant awarded to CEF. Eileen guided another group through the intricacies of taking digital photographs and putting them onto discs, e-mailing them, or placing them on websites in a two-part workshop also covered by the grant



We initiated a sale of spring and Easter-themed items this year. Despite the lack of advance notice and publicity, most of the



New Hanging System, with Stephen Longmire Photograph

Easter rabbits sold, along with decorations. We plan to hold the sale again next April, assuming we have enough donations to do so. Thanks to Fran Driscoll, Kay Kowanko, Hope Stone, Yvonne Farmer, Sylvia Norton and Ellen Metcalf for creating the seasonal display.

Fran Driscoll, Sylvia Norton, and Ellen Metcalf have begun organizing (and purging) the back stack shelves to give us more of that elusive storage space for library supplies, program supplies, pricing materials, and donated items for our summer sale.



On Friday and Saturday, April 23 and 24, the library held a sale of old and rare books; coffee table books; old magazines, post cards,

and other ephemera which had been accumulating over the past 2 years. We are grateful for the pricing assistance of Alex Rata and Julie Robinson Robards, and for the large number of donations from Alex. Yvonne Farmer, Wes and Bethany Krawiec, Fran Driscoll, Marie-Anne Azar Ward, Sylvia Norton, and Ellen Metcalf worked diligently to make the sale possible.

We Want Your Help

We are reviewing our current and former programs to determine how well we are meeting the community's social, educational, and entertainment needs. Responses to our recent survey, while appreciative of the library, did not give us guidance. For example: what kind of programs, if any, should we have for adults, teens, tweens, children; would you be interested in speakers on various topics; what about workshops on such things as use of computer hardware and software? Please take a moment to fill in form on the next page and return to us.



Memorial Donations

Recent memorial donations have honored:

John Nye
Meda Romanowski
Dick Wyman
Florence Stewart
Lucy Ritchie

“Thank you for remembering Meda with your donations. We all knew how special the library was to her ...” The Romanowski and Bowman families
“The enclosed ... is in memory of my dear friend and neighbor, Meda. Her favorite place to be was at the Wells Memorial Library with her friends and books.” Blanche MacKenzie

Thank You

- Donations of books, magazines, videos, DVDs, CDs: Vicki Moore, Sylvia Norton, Carole McDowell, Kay Kowanko, Scott Stone, Kay Mackinnon, Mark Ellis, Sandy Dupree, John & Martha Spear, Marie-Anne Azar Ward, Karen Coolidge, Del Eaton, Dennis Hayman, Lydia Ossenbaugh,
- Magazine Subscription: Sylvia Norton

- Plants & Pots: Yvonne Farmer, Clare Orsi, Jan Bosland,, Jean Snow, Fran Driscoll, Patrick Driscoll, Phyllis Honigmann, Billie Loughran
- Maintenance: OBe Dupree, Wes Krawiec, Joe Kahn, John Spear, Ellen Metcalf and Don Morrison for shoveling; Don Morrison for repairing basement stairs and making a stairwell cover for mounting exhibits
- Beautification: Yvonne Farmer for raking front flower beds
- Mark Ellis for disassembling and cleaning a donated item and selling it on E-bay for us
- Martha Spear for substituting for Karen and for conducting a Story Time session

Additional 2009 Annual Fund Donors

- Bob & Carole McDowell
- Joe & Phyllis Honigmann

Grants Received

We applied for and received a Stewart's 2009-2010 Holiday Match Campaign Grant to purchase a rug which will brighten the children's section.

Archives

Our genealogy and vertical files are now indexed for easy reference.

Correspondence

We received a 104th Birthday card from long-time supporter Milton Veynar. He noted he had the pleasure of being here for our 100th anniversary celebration.

Did you Know?

Learning Express Library is now available on the Clinton-Essex-Franklin Library System website www.cefls.org. There are practice tests for the SAT, GED, ACT, ASVAB, Firefighter, Police Officer, Paramedic, EMT basic, Real Estate Agent & Broker, Cosmetology, Postal Worker, and U.S. Citizenship exams. They are based on official exams, with step-by-step directions and instant scoring. Also included are courses in math, reading, writing, and workplace skills. This is a free service that can be used at the library or on a home computer.

Selected Recent Additions

Juvenile Fiction & Non-Fiction

Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation Contest; Bubbles, Bubbles, Kathi Appelt; Arthur's Mystery Envelope, Marc Brown; Babar Goes to School, Laurent de Brunhoff; Biscuit's New Trick, Alyssa Satin Capucilli; Animals in Winter, Ron Fisher; Morning, Noon, and Night, Jean Craighead George; The Mousewife, Rumer Godden; Fat Kid Rules the World, K.L. Going; I Can't Sleep, Kimberlee Graves; Alphabears, Kathleen Hague; One Fine Day, Nonny Hogrogian; My First American Friend, Sarunna Jin; Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days, Jeff Kinney; Four Stupid Cupids, Gregory Maguire; Look At Lisa Go, C. Louise March; Something Special, David McPhail; The Lion and the Mouse, Jerry Pinkney (Caldecott Award Winner); It's a Perfect Day, Abigail Pizer; Double Trouble Groundhog, Bethany Roberts; A Pickpocket's Tale, Karen Schwabach; Chester the Out-of-Work Dog, Marilyn Singer; Ed Can Help, Sallianne Spatafore; When You Reach Me, Rebecca Stead (Newberry Award Winner)

Juvenile DVDs

John Denver and the Muppets: Rocky Mountain Holiday; The Last Mimzy; Strawberry Shortcake: Berry Blossom Festival, Cooking Up Fun, Moonlight Mysteries, World of Friends

Fiction

Say You're One of Them, Uwem Akpan; The Shell Game, Steve Alter; The Broken Teaglass, Emily Arsenault; True Blue, David Baldacci; The Elegance of the Hedgehog, Muriel Barbery; The Lace Reader, Brunonia Barry; Where the God of Love Hangs Out, Amy Bloom; The Messenger, Jan Burke; The Signal, Ron Carlson; Pirate Latitudes, Michael Crichton; The Burning Land, Bernard Cornwell; The Scarpetta Factor, Patricia Cornwell; Shadow Tag, Louise Erdrich; Beneath the Lion's Gaze, Maaza Mengiste; Her Fearful Symmetry, Audrey Niffenegger; Split Image, Robert B. Parker; Cross Country, James Patterson; The Sheen on the Silk, Anne Perry; Lark & Termite, Jayne Anne Phillips; House Rules, Jodi Picoult; Impact, Douglas Preston; Century Rain, Alastair Reynolds; Fantasy in Death, J.D. Robb; The Three Weissmanns of Westport, Cathleen Schine; The Bronze Horseman, Paullina Simons; The Lucky One, Nicholas Sparks; The Help, Kathryn Stockett; Noah's Compass, Anne Tyler; Santa Fe Dead, Stuart Woods

Large Print Books

No Rest for the Wiccan, Madelyn Alt; In a Gilded Cage, Rhys Bowen; The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie, Alan Bradley; Remarkable Creatures, Tracy Chevalier; Day After Night, Anita Diamant; Even Money, Dick Francis; Still Alice, Lisa Genova; U is for Undertow, Sue Grafton; The End of the Road, Sue Henry; La's Orchestra Saves the World, Alexander McCall Smith; Jury Rigged, Laurie Moore; Stones into Schools, Greg Mortenson; Diving Women, Kaye Gibbons; Bloodroot, Amy Greene; Ford County, John Grisham; Deeper Than the Dead, Tami Hoag; Last Night in Twisted River, John Irving; Blindman's Bluff, Faye Kellerman; The Lacuna, Barbara Kingsolver; Treasure Hunt, John Lescroart; Charity Girl, Michael Lowenthal; Miss Julia Stands Her Ground, Ann B. Ross; The Defector, Daniel Silva; Get Real, Donald Westlake

Non-Fiction

The Best American Nonrequired Reading 2004; The ELLE Cookbook: The Art of French Cuisine; Minnie Rose Lovgreen's Recipe for Raising Chickens; A Song Flung Up to Heaven, Maya Angelou; South to Alaska, Nancy Owens Barnes; Whole Child/Whole Parent, Polly Berends; How to Conquer the World with One Hand and an Attitude, Paul Berger; Nature Hikes in the White Mountains, Robert Buchsbaum; When Everything Changed: The Amazing Journey of American Women From 1960 to the Present, Gail Collins; Angkor, Michael Freeman; MLA Handbook, Joseph Gibaldi; Rocks of Ages, Stephen Jay Gould; 740 Park, Michael Gross; The Fatal Shore, Robert Hughes; In the Deep Heart's Core, Michael Johnston; Distant Shores: The Odyssey of Rockwell Kent; Home from Nowhere, James Howard Kunstler; Keeping Time in Sag Harbor, Stephen Longmire; Down the Nile, Rosemary Mahoney; Born Standing Up, Steve Martin; Discover the Northern Adirondacks, Barbara McMartin; The Lost: A Search for Six of Six Million, Daniel Mendelsohn; First Encounters: Spanish Explorations in the Caribbean and the United States, Jerald Milanich ed. ; Wilderness At Dawn, Ted Morgan; What I Talk About When I Talk About Running, Haruki Murakami; Coming Into the Country, John McPhee; High on Arrival, Mackenzie Phillips; The Natural Fat-Loss Pharmacy, Harry Preuss, MD; You on a Diet, Michael Roizen, MD; Rainbow's End, Lauren St. John; Fast Food Nation, Eric Schlosser; The Family Canoe Trip, Carl Shepardson; Be the Difference: A Beginner's Guide to Changing the World, Danny Seo; Educating Alice, Alice Steinbach; The Art of Aromatherapy, Robert Tisserand; Rocks and Routes of the North Country,

Bradford VanDiver; Take the Cannoli, Sarah Vowell; Gay Olympian, Tom Waddell; Forces of Nature, Ian Westwell; Near the Magician, Rosalind Baker Wilson; Britain's Best-Loved Driving Tours, Roy Woodcock

Books on CD

Agincourt, Bernard Cornwell; Prayers For Sale, Sandra Dallas; Sarah's Key, Tatiana De Rosnay; Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet, Jamie Ford; About Face, Donna Leon; The Laughter of Dead Kings, Elizabeth Peters

DVDs

The Break-Up; China's Lost Girls (non-fiction); De-Lovely; The Detonator; The Devil Wears Prada; Elegy; The Family Man; The First Wives Club; The Five People You Meet in Heaven; Goodfellas; Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince; Julie & Julia; Kinky Boots; The Legend of Bagger Vance; The Legend of Rin Tin Tin; Marked for Death/Mercenary; Meet Joe Black; Mona Lisa Smile; Mr. Deeds; The Notebook; Radio; Rich and Strange/The Sorcerer's Apprentice; Troy; A Walk in the Clouds; What Planet Are You From; Wuthering Heights; X-Men

Programs and/or services I would like to see at the library:

Name/phone number (optional) _____

List program/service ideas here: _____

Do you have any suggestions for changes in our days/hours? (circle one) Yes No

If yes, how? Please be specific.

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