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# 2008 Annual Fund Drive

With this issue we are kicking off our 2008 Annual Fund Drive. Our mission is to serve the community's social, cultural, and educational needs through our collections, equipment, programs, and services. The majority of library operating funds come from the money we receive through fund raisers such as our Annual Fund appeal. Wells Memorial Library is a 501.c.3 organization; contributions are tax-deductible and are matched by some employers. Please support the library with a donation.

## **Featured Volunteer**

Bob Segall is the mainstay of the Writers' Collective program. Local writers meet from 7 to 8:30 pm on the third Tuesday of each month and share their works in progress for comments and suggestions from the group. Writers in all genres are invited to come and participate. Bob has also done a lot of heavy lifting during our summer sales—helping carry items for the sale, packing up and storing leftovers from the



sale, and taking stuff to the dump. He was one of the volunteer crew to remove boxes of books when the stacks room was repainted (and to put the boxes back on top of the stacks when the painting was finished). Bob's meticulously crafted clay pots were exhibited at the library a couple of years ago. Thanks, Bob, for your willingness to lend a hand.

# **Program News**



Jodi Downs is exhibiting her unique kiln fused framed glass art through the end of October. Her striking abstract designs are brilliantly colored. Jodi explained her techniques and use of spe-

cialty glass during her artist reception in September.

Terry Young will be exhibiting etchings, drawings, and books. in November and December. There will be an artist reception for Terry on Sunday afternoon, November 2, from 2:00 until 4:00.

Nan Hoffman entertained both children and adults with her "Sing a Story. Read a Song!" program at the conclusion of our summer reading program in August. Nan's songs are inspired by her collection of well-known picture books for children.







In August authors Liz Innes-Brown and Kate Messner read selections from their works. Liz read from "Burning Marguerite," and Kate chose excerpts from "Spitfire." "Spitfire," a children's chapter book, is a novel based on Benedict Arnold's Naval battle in Lake Champlain during the American Revolution. Both books are available at the library.

September's Tea & Talk program, "Beyond Spell-Check— Spelling and Grammar Goofs in the Press," resulted in a lively conversation and much humor as participants read the goofs they had discovered. The conversation moved into pet peeves relating to poor grammar and overuse of certain words and phrases. October's program is "Are You Old Enough to Remember..." Tea &Talk programs are at 1:00 on the second Wednesday of each month.

This year the Children's Theater Workshop will be presenting "Music Man, Jr.." The musical, directed by Kathy Recchia, is partially underwritten by Wells Memorial Library. Rehearsals are underway, and afternoon performances are scheduled for



November 11 at Uihlein Mercy Center in Lake Placid, November 15 at Will Rogers in Saranac Lake, and November 16 at the Amos and Julia Ward Theater in Jay. (Photo courtesy of Perry Walker)



On September 30 Carole McDowell resumed (after a summer break) the monthly "What's the Big Idea," part of the Mother Goose math and science program for children ages 4+. Carole directs this program from 3:30-4:30 on the last Tuesday of each month.

Martha Gallagher, Adirondack Harper, will present a family program, "Songs From the Stones," on Sunday, October 26, at 2:00. Gravestones were the inspiration for this collection of songs. Refreshments will be served after the concert.

Quilters Gathering continues to meet monthly at the library. Check with Bethany Krawiec (946-1295) for dates and times.

# Library News

A few fall and Halloween items are for sale; they are on the round table in the reading room.

Our "Buck a Bag" book sale is underway. Fill a bag with books and magazines for \$1.00. A select number of non-book items are also for sale in the basement at the marked prices ( not to be included in the buck-a-bag.). The sale will continue through October 11.

The top of the stone and brick chimney was deteriorating; it has been re-pointed by Tom Smith and should be good for many years to come. Thanks to Joe Kahn and Don Morrison for overseeing this task.



On Saturday, November 29, we will begin selling new and gently used Christmas and Holiday decorations as well as selected new gift items. The sale will continue, during library hours, until Wednesday, December 24. Come early and often; we add items throughout the sale when space permits.

# **Grants Received**

We received an unrestricted grant from the Adirondack Community Trust Wells Memorial Library Fund.

# **Memorial Donations**

A donation in memory of William Bowman

# Additional Donors to the 2007 Annual Fund Janet Coolidge

### Thank Yous

- Donations of books, magazines, videos, DVDs, CDs: Vicki Moore, Dick Porter, Martha Prichard Spear, Grace Potthast, Carrie Fine, Christian Brammer, Sarah Prince, Connie Miller, Barb Lawrence, Eliza Oliwa
- Plants & Pots: Yvonne Farmer, Carol Whitney
- Library Maintenance: Don Morrison for trimming bushes and mowing; Bruce Bosland for fixing display cabinet; George Blanch for repairing ramp
- Beautification: Don Morrison for mums; Sue & Ned Gehris for pumpkins
- Heavy Lifting: Wes Krawiec

# Selected Recent Additions

### Juvenile Fiction and Nonfiction

Ace Lacewing Bug Detective, David Biedrzycki Tangerine, Edward Bloor Code Talker, Joseph Bruchac Gregor and the Code of Claw, Suzanne Collins School's In! Debbie Dadey and others No More Dead Dogs, Gordon Korman Caillou At The Library, Johanne Mercier Petey, Ben Mikaelsen The Same Stuff as Stars, Katherine Paterson Guts, Gary Paulsen

#### Adult Fiction

The Zookeeper's Wife, Diane Ackerman LARGE PRINT The Sugar Queen, Sarah Addison Allen LARGE PRINT The Whole Truth. David Baldacci Allison's Journey, Wanda Brunstetter Where Are You Now? Mary Higgins Clark The General's Daughter, Nelson DeMille Say Goodbye, Lisa Gardner Careless in Red, Elizabeth George Murder in Miniature, Margaret Grace The Killing Ground, Jack Higgins Loving Frank, Nancy Horan Silent Thunder, Iris and Roy Johansen Sappho's Leap, Erica Jong Consequences, Penelope Lively Sepulchre, Kate Mosse The View From Castle Rock, Alice Munro Change of Heart. Jodi Picoult Tribute. Nora Roberts Secrets, Lies & Alibis, Patricia Rushford The Rising Tide, Jeff Shaara The Memory of Water, Karen White - LARGE PRINT A Thousand Voices, Lisa Wingate One Man's Bible, Gao Xingjian Adult Nonfiction

JoAnn: Your Guide to Creativity Popular Mechanics Complete Car Care Manual Reader's Digest New Fix-It-Yourself Manual Webster's New Explorer LARGE PRINT Dictionary Body Bazaar: The Market for Human Tissue, Lori Andrews The Extraordinary Adirondack Journey of Clarence Petty, Christopher Angus Pilates for Every Body, Denise Austin A Short History of Nearly Everything, Bill Bryson Magical Thinking: True Stories, Augusten Burroughs Palestine Peace Not Apartheid, Jimmy Carter Wild Swans: Three Daughters of China, Jung Chang Survive! My Fight for Life in the High Sierras, Peter DeLeo Real Change, Newt Gingrich Washington, Meg Greenfield Keep Your Bonsai Alive & Well, Herb Gustafson Let's Talk Turkey: The Stories Behind America's Favorite Expressions, Rosemarie Ostler Emily Post's The Etiquette Advantage in Business, Peggy Post The Artist & The Quilt, Charlotte Robinson ed. Crazy Horse, the Strange Man of the Oglalas, Mari Sandoz Wisdom of Our Fathers, Tim Russsert His Name Was Donn: My Brother's Letters from Vietnam, Evelvn Sweet-Hurd At the Center of the Storm: My Years at the CIA, George Tenet John Brown: The Making of a Martyr, Robert Penn Warren Videos/DVDs The Art of War (DVD); The Astronaut's Wife (VHS); The

Contractor (DVD); Galaxy Quest (VHS); Lost in Translation (DVD); Ocean's Eleven (VHS); The Outsiders (DVD); Rush Hour 2 (VHS); Titan A.E. (VHS); Transporter 2 (DVD) V for Vendetta (DVD)

### Juvenile Videos

Baby Einstein Language Nursery; The Black Cauldron; Bob the Builder: Bob's White Christmas; Meet Angelina Ballerina; Veggie Tales: Very Silly Songs!; Veggie Tales: The End of Silliness?