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*Serving the Jay and Upper Jay Communities*

### We Want Your Stuff!!

Spring Cleaning? Looking to de-clutter your place? Now is the time to box up donations for our annual summer Books, Antiques, Food and Treasures sale, scheduled for July 15-17. We accept all manner of household, decorative, crafting, holiday and hobby related items including furniture, but no clothing, bowling balls, encyclopedias, Readers' Digest condensed books or old computers.

### Featured Volunteer



Local Renaissance Man, Joe Kahn, is our featured volunteer. He served on the board for five years during which time he planted and pruned trees, made sure our sale tents went up and came down without a hitch, painted trim, exhibited watercolors twice and removed tons of snow. He bikes, he skis, he plays guitar, he's thoughtful

and committed and we are so fortunate that he continues to make the trip from Au Sable Forks to Upper Jay!

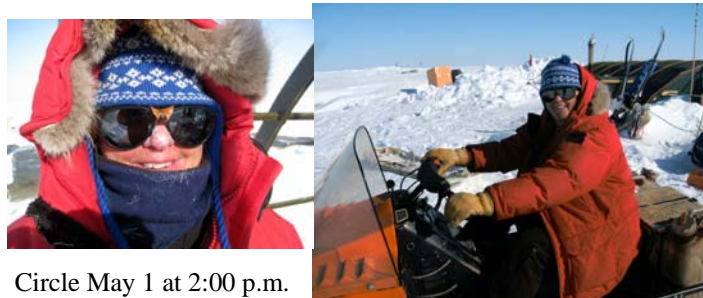
### Program News



Retired teacher and now full-time resident Pete DeFina of Adirondack Photo and Frames is exhibiting his dramatic nature photographs in March and part of April. His artist reception had to be rescheduled to March 20 because of flooding in Upper Jay on Sunday, March 6. He took it all in stride and is generously donating 10% of all sales during the exhibit to the library. After his reception which attracted some 30 people including his college roommate, he emailed: *"I just wanted to thank the library folks for hosting such a nice reception. I had an enjoyable time talking to many of the people who came out to take a look at my photos. Thanks for the opportunity to display my work!"*

Next, running from May through June, will be a unique exhibit of two artists using different media to produce similar results. Textile artist Judith O'Toole will display her hand-dyed wool hooked rugs alongside the works of watercolorist Tom Ge-

oghan. O'Toole, inspired by Tom's watercolors, replicates the colors, "brushstrokes", and designs in her rugs. The artist reception will be Sunday, May 15, at 2:00. Judith will be describing some of the techniques she uses to produce her pieces.



Circle May 1 at 2:00 p.m. on your calendars.

"Beyond Penguins: Antarctica Through the Eyes of Someone Who Worked There" is the topic of a talk by Mary Brown, former Clinton-Essex-Franklin Library System Director. Mary retired to Saranac Lake and dreamed of travel-not to warmer climes-but the very coldest, taking a job in Antarctica because she wanted to visit there. She was so moved by the experience, she wants to share it in a talk at the library (once her work at Whiteface Mountain's skier drop-off center is over) to enrapture those of us who are less adventurous.

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

Snow (almost 3 feet!), an ice jam and flood, plus rain have caused some nail-biting moments here on the banks of the AuSable. Thankfully, the temperatures have risen so the river flows freely once again past our vulnerable, little library. For now, our basement is nice and dry.

We have been the glad recipients of the talents of One Work Source's Ken Doyle who has been holding one-on-one trainings on Excel and Word, plus providing answers to other computer-related questions. The last session was cancelled and will be rescheduled at a later date. In the meantime he is holding four mini-workshops on Tuesday, April 28: Interviewing (Before, During, After), at 1:00 pm; How to Write a Cover Letter, at 2:00 pm; How to Network, at 3:00 pm; and How to Create an Employment Portfolio, at 4:00 pm.

Pardon our appearance. We are in the midst of converting the paperback book room into a much-needed utility closet. We are

combining hard cover and paperback fiction and doing a full weeding of the fiction collection to accommodate paperbacks being “inter-shelved.”

Note: our website can now be accessed at [wellsmemorial-library.org](http://wellsmemorial-library.org) or [wellsmemoriallibrary.com](http://wellsmemoriallibrary.com), as well as our original [WellsMemorialLibrary.OAFproductions.net](http://WellsMemorialLibrary.OAFproductions.net) This newsletter, as well as earlier issues, can be viewed on our website.



We have a large selection of Easter and Spring-themed items for sale through Easter: baskets, stuffed animals, eggs, and decorative items.

Kathy Recchia utilized the library for two rehearsals of “Mrs. Farnsworth” which hit the stage at the Whallonsburg Grange Hall March 25 & 26 at 7:30 p.m. She also conducted a reading on March 27.

Fred Balzac has scheduled an Adirondack Democracy “Community Meet Up” on Wednesday, April 6, at 7:00 pm to discuss what can be done about rising food and gas prices.

Strategic and Long-Range Planning, spearheaded by none other than board secretary Martha Spear, is underway. We welcome comments and suggestions for ways to improve our service to the community as we explore our role in the age of Kindle and Twitter.

## Memorial Donations

Recent memorial donations have honored:

- Jean Garrecht-mother of former Treasurer Jan Ward. Over \$1000 has been donated toward large print books 9 of which have already been added to the collection.
- Colden Van Benschoten
- Dan Dickerson

## Additional 2010 Annual Fund Donors

Joe & Phyllis Honigmann  
Bill & Jan Localio  
Herbert & Trudy Oetgen  
Rod and Beverly Thomas

We appreciate the donations we received in response to our October 2010 appeal. This fundraiser and our summer sale account for over two-thirds of our income. Though we continue to explore new or improved revenue streams, some challenges threaten our financial well-being: the budgeted \$1500 from the State Library System is in jeopardy (it was eliminated last

year, but there are efforts in Albany to reinstate library funding). Grants and other fundraisers are proving elusive or too specific for operating costs, which continue to rise (especially fuel). If you have already sent in your support to the library, thank you. If you haven't yet, it's not too late and if you are able to make an additional gift this year, in any amount, we will be ever so grateful.

## Thank You

- Donations of books, magazines, videos, DVDs, CDs: Donations: Vicki Moore, Monica McGaughey, Dick Porter, J and Martha Honeywell, Janet Morton, Doris Brann, Jan Ward, Marie-Anne Azar Ward, Joe Kahn
- Ford Balch donated a copy of his latest children's book, “Warriors of the Forest,” a sequel to Children of the Forest, which continues the life of Sitting Owl, a Mohawk Indian.
- In response to a conversation with Daui Woodin, Betsey Thomas-Train donated a copy of “The Rock Singer,” a children's book she wrote and illustrated.
- Plants & Pots: Sarah Irving, Ruth Kufahl, Jane Neumann, Yvonne Farmer, Patti Dillworth, Karen Rappaport, Doris Brann
- Snow Shoveling: Joe Kahn, Don Morrison, Sylvia Norton, Joe Honigmann, stealth shovelers
- Maintenance: Wes Krawiec, bulb replacements; Don Morrison, flood preparation; Don Morrison & Ben Vincent, attic inspection, Bruce Bosland
- Sid Ward, for designing and building a poster holder for displaying our maps and posters during the summer sale

## Archives

We were delighted to have an archived photograph mystery solved when we had a response to a Do You Know? from four years ago! According to P.J. and Laurel Beattie, the picture depicts a Potter family reunion during the 1920s. Thanks for solving the puzzle, P.J. and Laurel.

## Correspondence

*“Dear Ladies, If you don't already realize it, you are GREATLY appreciated, not only by me...but also by the entire community for your continuing efforts to make the library “home.” You do so much. You do it so well. Thank you.”*

Nadine McLaughlin

## Do You Know?

Paul Johnson asked for our help in looking for information on an Upper Jay family (Edwin & Murial Strandell and their children), who were here in 1929 and who had a greenhouse, later owned by Ed Rielly. He is particularly looking for pictures of greenhouses. If you have any information or pictures, you can contact Paul directly or send us the information, which we will pass along.

## Recent Large Print Additions

Minding Frankie, Maeve Binchy; The Sentry, Robert Crais; The Girl Who Fell From the Sky, Heidi Durrrow; Clara and Mr. Tiffany, Susan Vreeland

## Other Recent Additions

### Juvenile Fiction & Non-Fiction

The Children's Illustrated Atlas of the World  
The Hunger Games, Suzanne Collins  
Catching Fire, Suzanne Collins  
The Princess Knight, Cornelia Funke  
Charmed Life, Diana Wynne Jones  
Snow Day, Barbara Joosse  
Fox Tales, James Marshall  
Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life, Wendy Mass  
Desperate Journey, Jim Murphy  
Cool Women, Pam Nelson ed.  
Witch & Wizard: The Gift, James Patterson  
Chu Ju's House, Gloria Whelan

### Juvenile DVD

The Berenstain Bears: Always Look on the Bright Side  
Children's Favorites  
Cinderella and more beloved fairy tales  
Eloise Goes to School  
Eloise in Hollywood  
Kipper Helps Out  
Ramona and Beezus

### Fiction

War Dances, Sherman Alexie  
Worth Dying For, Lee Child  
Dead or Alive, Tom Clancy  
Little Bee, Chris Cleave  
The Valcourt Heiress, Catherine Coulter  
Muslin Mystery, Vera Dodge  
The Lake of Dreams, Kim Edwards  
I Still Dream About You, Fannie Flagg  
A Discovery of Witches, Deborah Harkness  
Secrets to the Grave, Tami Hoag  
The Red Garden, Alice Hoffman  
The Stone of Light (4 v. series), Christian Jacq  
Towers of Midnight, Robert Jordan  
The Sign, Raymond Khoury  
In Too Deep, Jayne Ann Krentz  
Vermilion Drift, William Kent Krueger  
Imperfect Birds, Anne Lamott  
The Inner Circle, Brad Meltzer  
Déjà vu, Fern Michaels  
The Winter Ghosts, Kate Mosse  
His Majesty's Dragon, Naomi Novik  
Throne of Jade, Naomi Novik  
Black Powder War, Naomi Novik  
Empire of Ivory, Naomi Novik  
Cross Fire, James Patterson  
Born Under a Lucky Moon, Dana Precious  
Someone Else's Garden, Dipika Rai  
Indulgence in Death, J.D. Robb  
The Defector, Daniel Silva

### Large Print

### Non-Fiction

American Medical Association Complete Guide to Prevention and Wellness

The 20<sup>th</sup> Century: An Illustrated History of Our Lives and Times

Weight Watchers Quick Meals in 30 Minutes or Less!

I Love Gootie, Max Apple

Decision Points, George W. Bush

Empire, Niall Ferguson

Team of Rivals, Doris Kearns Goodwin

Unbroken, Laura Hillenbrand

Patents: Ingenious Inventions, Ben Ikenson

Tai Chi Chuan, Master Liang

The River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt's Darkest Journey, Candice Millard

No Man's River, Farley Mowat

Spark: The Revolutionary New Science of Exercise and the Brain, John Ratey MD

Great Fast Food, Gary Rhodes

Epilogue, Anne Roiphe

You: The Owner's Manual, Michael F. Roizen, M.D.

Making Toast, Roger Rosenblatt

The Amazing Book of Bridge, Brian Senior

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks, Rebecca Skloot

Toast, Nigel Slater

The Journal Keeper, Phyllis Theroux

An AuSable Reader, Chase Twichell ed.

Is It Soup Yet? Dot Vartan

### Books on CD

Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day

### DVDs

Blood Work

Donnie Brasco

Dreamgirls

Kelly's Heroes

Open Range

The Shawshank Redemption

White Squall