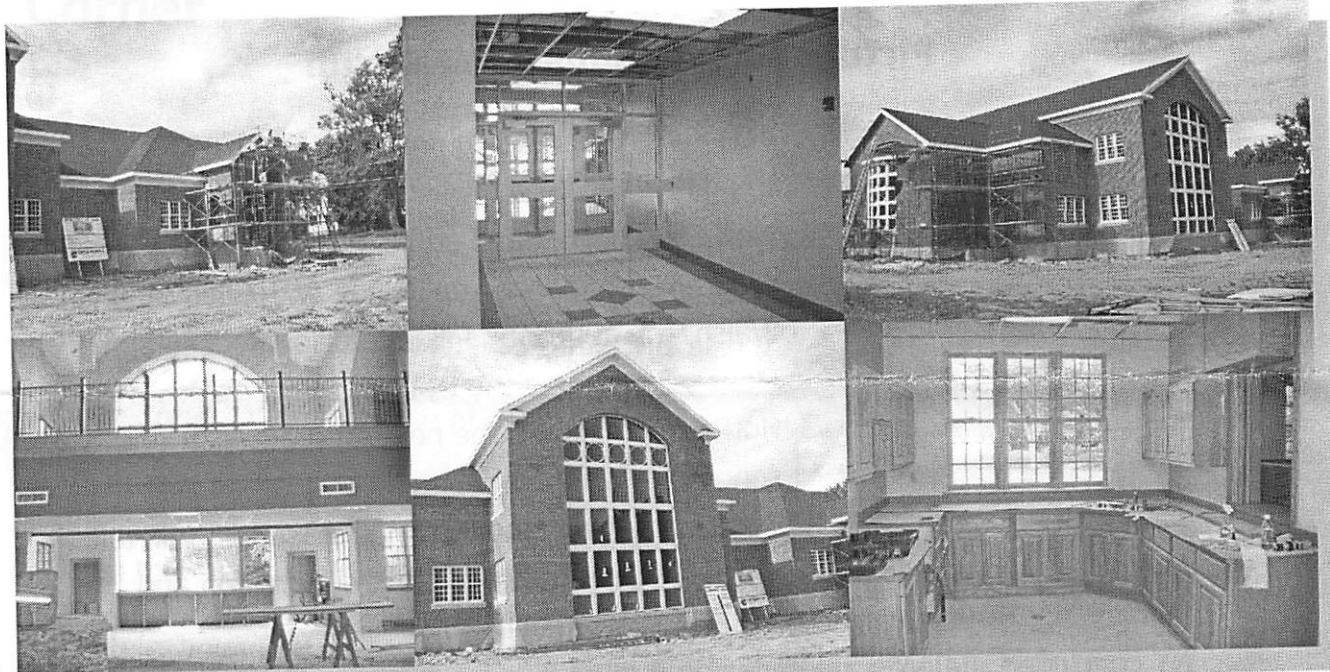


The Next Edition

Mynderse Library

September, 2003



Almost There...

With brick work, painting, and wallpapering complete the new library is heading towards completion at a rapid pace. The fence was removed recently, sidewalks are being poured, carpet is being laid, bathrooms are almost complete and all the tile is almost laid. The library Board of Trustees anticipates hosting a grand opening celebration later this year. We greatly appreciate your patience during the construction process and know you will think it was worth the wait once you have an opportunity to see the inside of your new community library.

Thanks again for your support and patience. We promise it will be worth the wait!!

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Annual Membership Fund Drive

The next two pages contain a *list of all community members who have contributed so far to the *Triology Campaign's* Annual Membership Fund Drive. Our goal for the Annual Fund Drive is \$20,000 and we are almost there with \$17,581 raised so far. We encourage you to please contribute to this important campaign. If you would like a pledge card sent to you, please call Library Director, Mike Caraher at 568-8265. All funds procured through this drive will go towards purchasing new books, initiating programs, and covering overall expenses in the new library. We appreciate those who have supported us so far and encourage those who haven't yet, to please consider becoming a member or renewing your membership in the new library.

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Caraher

A Nostalgic Reflection

by Michael Caraher, Library Director

As the move to the new building draws nearer and nearer, I begin to have nostalgic feelings for the Old Mynderse Library. People have said to me that this will always be the library in Seneca Falls and there is part of me that agrees with them. After all, this is the library in which my great, great uncle Rob Collins spent his retirement years. It is also the library where Mrs. Bishop and I spent time trying to find mystery novels that my grandmother hadn't read. What a sense of achievement and accomplishment when we succeeded. Then I suffer an attack of reality.

I remember that the mysteries were located in the narrowest aisle in the library. I am lucky I didn't have numerous attacks of claustrophobia. Then there was the time I thought it would be a good idea to have wheels on the circulation desk chair. That was in the days before cordless phones and our telephone was on a table at the head of the stairs. I would be able to roll on over and answer the phone. I tried it one day and I was able to jump off the chair and grab it just before we both rolled on down the stairs.

Believe me, I never tried that again. Then there is my office, which is sometime more congested than the California freeway. I'll end with my favorite happening of all time. I use to be the only person to work nights. So it was a good idea to make use of the restroom facilities before opening. I did that one winter night, and the doorknob came off in my hand. I couldn't get out of the restroom and I was the only person in the library. After I stopped myself from panicking, I decided I had two options. I could sit in there and wait until someone realized the library wasn't open and then begin to wonder where I was. Or, I could clean off the window ledge, climb up on the toilet, and jump out the window. I choose the later option. My luck held that night. First it was snowy, winter night and no one was at the Trinity Church. I can imagine the telephone conversation with the police. You better come to the Mynderse Library right away. There is someone hanging on to the library wall. I don't know if they are trying to get in or trying to get out. He is just hanging there. Secondly when I worked up enough nerve to let go, I had a soft landing.

So I say lets move to the new building. I am 100% positive that I will be able to get out of the restrooms, my office won't need a traffic light to control the congestion because I will be the only one in it, and in my dotage if I decide to go rolling around, I will limit the rolling to the wide open spaces of the main floor and stay away from the mezzanine.

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