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Library News

Sue Porter, board president

The school schedule dies hard for some of us. Even though many think of January 1 as a time of new beginnings, I always tend to think of fall that way.

There will be a new beginning of sorts at the Seneca Falls Library this September, as Marie Leo has graciously agreed to serve as the new board of trustees' president.

Marie, a Seneca Falls native and graduate of Mynderse Academy, raised three children in Seneca Falls with her husband John. She has been a trustee since 2000 and has served ably as secretary during her tenure. She is the faith formation coordinator at St. Patrick's Church and has been active with the Interact youth group at Mynderse Academy, among other things. The library has benefited

from that connection; those Interact youth helped lead tours at the building's 2003 grand opening and recently moved books for the downtown book sale. They have been great helpers and I'm sure we will be calling on them again in the future!

My two-plus years as president have been full of change for the library, namely the transition from the Fall Street building to our new one on Cayuga Street. It has been an exciting and busy time to be in this position. There are always some growing pains that accompany such an adjustment, but for me any challenges have been quickly forgotten when I focus on the strides the library has made because of the generous support for the new building.

So many more people come through our doors now, and

they find much more than books and computers. They see community artwork on the walls, community talent performing music, community groups in the meeting room, community residents leading and attending a variety of programs.

I thank all who have supported the library in the last several years; they have had a hand in making the above accomplishments a reality. And I ask for that support to continue under Marie's leadership. Sustaining such a valuable resource will take a real community effort. I look forward to continuing on the board as vice president; I can't pull the plug just yet. So please feel free to share suggestions about the library if you see me out and about. Happy fall!

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Library Hours

- **Monday-Friday**
10:00am-8:00pm
- **Saturday**
10:00am-5:00pm
- **Sunday**
2:00-5:00pm

Closed Sundays in the
Summer - June 19th-Sept. 4th

17 Summer Reading Kids show their Certificates



17 children completed the Summer Reading Program with Mary Catt, children's librarian by acting out Aesop's Fables accompanied by the Seneca Falls Community Band and Karen Lucas. They read the fables, made their costumes and props and practiced. The program was sponsored by Fuccillo Ford of Seneca Falls, Inc. and the results of the kids hard work was, in a word, **HUGE!**

The Age of Polaris

by Michael Caraher

On July 12, 2005, the Seneca Falls Library left the antiquated world of DOS as we abandoned the Dynix Automated Circulation System and began circulating by the Windows based Polaris System. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we learned how to function with the new system. We also apologize for any delays, mix-ups, and glitches encountered during the switch over. I believe the worst is over and calm seas lie ahead.

You, the patron,

will definitely notice a big change with Polaris. Polaris gives us greater control over the cataloging of books and other library materials. We will no longer be waiting on Finger Lakes Library System to catalog new materials. This means there will be less time processing and waiting for new books. Polaris allows creating a quick-bib and the immediate circulating of new books. Now all I have to do is find the time to order the books in the first place.

Patrons should also notice quicker checkout times. With Dynix, each screen could only perform one function. You had to leave checkout to go into check-in and you had to leave circulation to go into cataloging. With Polaris, all functions can be accessed from the one screen and you can toggle back and forth between the functions. Checking-in and out and finding materials will be much easier and faster.

Polaris allows you to do all the things you could do with Dynix. You can search the auto-

mated card catalog; you can place holds and re-new books all from your home computer. Just access Finger Lakes Library System at www.flls.org and click on search catalog.

So, give Polaris a try. I am sure you will like it. If you have any questions or experience any problems, the library staff is ready, willing, and able to help. If they can't, they have committed to memory the phone number and extension number of the Finger Lakes Library System computer department. They can definitely help.

Fall Calendar

- September 13 Wells Lecture Series
Bruce Bennett- Poetry Reading
Bruce is an award winning poet and a professor at Wells College. 7:00pm
- October 6 On the night prior to her induction into the Women's Hall of Fame, **Mother Marianne Cope** will be the focus of a talk given by Anwei Skinses Law. Sponsored by the Council of the Humanities, Century 21 and the Finger Lakes Savings Bank. 7:00pm
- October 13 **Local Canal History** by Fran Caricillo 7:00pm
- October 18 **Get Ready for College & the World**—Lisa Kaenzig, Dean of the First Year Class, William Smith College, & Karen Green, Dean of Students at Wells College, will share their perspective. 7:00pm

October 28 & 29

Friends of the Library Book Sale @ the Library. Donate now!

November 3

Reading Aloud to Your Child, Literary Awareness by Carleen Mull, Literacy Coach & Coordinator, Frank Knight 7:00pm

November 19th

SAVE THE DATE!

2nd Anniversary-Donor Appreciation Event—Central NY Jazz Foundation Presents the 'History of Jazz', Silent Auction, hors d' oeuvres, (Swedish Hill Wine), dancing 7:00-9:00pm

November 19

Endowment Campaign Kick-Off

December 4

Wonderful Life Holiday Sing-A-Long & Angel Tree 1:00pm
Seneca Singers

December 15

Libraries promote the sharing of knowledge, connecting people of all ages with valuable information resources. These dynamic and modern institutions, and the librarians who staff them, add immeasurably to our quality of life. **President George W. Bush**

Wells College Lecture Series**Bruce Bennett****Professor of English and
Director of Creative Writing**

Bruce is a nationally recognized poet, editor, and reviewer. In addition to teaching, he directs the college's creative writing program and coordinates the highly acclaimed Visiting Writers Series. He is the author of 18 chapbooks and 7 full-length collections. His new and selected poems, *Navigating the Distances*, was named by *Booklist* a top ten poetry book of 1999. Bruce has reviewed

contemporary poetry for the *New York Times Book Review*, *The Nation*, and *Harvard Review*. The journal *PAINTBRUSH* recently devoted an entire issue to his work. He earned his B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. from Harvard University and is a recipient of the college's Excellence in Teaching Medal

The Wells Lecture Series and Bruce Bennett have been supported in part by public funds from the NYS Council on the Arts Decentralization Program, which is administered locally by Finger Lakes Arts Grant and Services, Inc. **September 13th at 7:00pm at the Library!**

Mother Marianne Cope
Anwei Skinsnes Law

Anwei has studied Mother Cope her entire life and will tell us of her devotion to dignity. Mother Marianne Cope, also called Blessed Marianne of Molokai, lived, worked and died for the lepers of Hawaii. As a Sister of the Third Order of St. Francis, Mother Marianne Cope worked for several years in Syracuse, New York, helping to found St. Joseph's Hospital. In 1883, she went to Kalaupapa, Hawaii where she spent thirty years ministering to

those with leprosy. While in Hawaii, she worked hand in hand with Father Damien during the last part of his life

On May 14, 2005, Mother Marianne was the first person beatified by Pope Benedict XVI in a ceremony in Vatican City. Mother Cope will be among those inducted into the Women's Hall of Fame October 7th & 8th.

The Seneca Falls Library Lecture is sponsored by the New York Council for the Humanities, a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, Century 21 Malone-Rivers and the Seneca Falls Savings Bank. **October 6th at 7:00pm at the Library!**

Seneca Falls Canal History
Fran Cariccilo

Water played an important role in the development of Seneca Falls. The rapids originally found in the Seneca River attracted businesses that used the waterpower to develop mills, distilleries, tanneries and factories of all types, such as the Seneca Knitting Mills. By 1818, locks had been con-

structed, creating the first version of the Cayuga - Seneca Canal, which allowed boat traffic to avoid the rapids. Ten years later, the Cayuga-Seneca was linked to the Great Erie Canal. The cultural diversity of Seneca Falls is a result of the arrival of immigrant workers who originally came to build the canal and the railroad, staying to make Seneca Falls their home. The manufacture of pumps has been a large part of Seneca Falls' history since the early 1800s. Goulds Pumps, Inc. remains a major local industry. **October 13 at 7:00pm at the Library!**

College Expectations

Lisa Kaenzig, Dean of the First Year Class, William Smith College, Hobart and William

Smith Colleges, & **Karen Green**, Dean of Students, Wells College

Lisa and Karen will discuss the college perspective of the best way to present yourself to a college for acceptance, the pitfalls and common mistakes for students make applying to colleges and how to best match the student with the appropriate institution.

They will also touch on the common student first-year jitters, and the stages that most students travel through on their way to settling in and becoming independent. An introduction to what to expect when you arrive on campus—for juniors and seniors in High School, but also, for the parents of first-year students, too! How to deal with registration, when to declare a major, the library, sports, dating, study groups and where is the best pizza that delivers?

All your questions will be answered.

October 18th at 7:00pm at the Library!





National Novel Writing Month is a fun, seat-of-your-pants approach to novel writing. Participants begin writing November 1. The goal is to write a 175-page (50,000-word) novel by midnight, November 30. Signup begins October 1. Valuing enthusiasm and perseverance over talent and craft, NaNoWriMo is a novel-writing program for everyone who has thought fleetingly about writing a novel but has been scared away by the

time and effort involved. The goal is writing one 50,000-word novel from scratch in a month's time. The Seneca Falls Library is hosting a gathering of anyone locally who will be writing to get together to discuss strategies, offer encouragement, and commiserate with other participants who are going through the same joys and sorrows of producing the Great Frantic Novel.

Thursday, October 27th 7:00pm at the Library!

Literacy Awareness

United Way has declared a week of Literacy Awareness. To join in, the Library is hosting a discussion on Reading Aloud to Your Children. Carleen Mull, the Literacy Coach & Coordinator at Frank Knight Elementary School will talk about the importance and best techniques for reading to children. Carleen will tell us how important it is to read aloud to children and how it affects their achievement in

school. Which child had the larger vocabulary with which to understand the teacher, one who is read to or one that is not? Which one had the longer attention span? All a parent needs—all anyone needs—is a free public library card, 15 minutes each day and the determination to invest their mind and time in a child's future. Carleen has ideas and answers on how to raise a reader. Come learn!

Thursday, November 3rd 7:00pm at the Library!

SAVE THE DATE! Seneca Falls Library Donor Appreciation & Second Anniversary Celebration!

An evening of thanks and fun at the Seneca Falls Library. The Central New York Jazz Arts Foundation's sextet called "All that Jazz" will present a "History of Jazz". Swedish Hill Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served. This year there will be a Silent Auction added to the event which takes place at 7:00 in the Seneca Falls Library. This

event is a way to say "Thank you" to all our sponsors and donors. The music for this event is supported in part with public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts Decentralization Program, which is administered locally by Finger Lakes Arts Grant and Services, Inc. The event also serves as the kick-off for the **Annual Library Endowment Campaign!**

Saturday, November 19th 7:00pm at the Library! FREE!

Wonderful Life Holiday Concert, sing a-long and Angel tree

For all the kids and young-at-heart come to the Seneca

Falls Library for Holiday music listening and singing. Who is the person who most influenced your life? Decorate and put the name of that favorite angel on the angel tree.

Sunday, December 4th 1:00pm at the Library!

The Seneca Singers

A Holiday Concert by our favorite group, the Seneca Sing-

ers, again scheduled to perform Holiday favorites.

Thursday, December 15th 8:00pm at the Library!

Children's FALL Stuff

Colors of Our World—

Preschool story hour
9:00am—New time!
9/21, 28, 10/5, 12

BoxCar Kids

Saturday PM BookClub
2nd & 3rd Grades 2:00
10/1, 8, 15 & 22

Lemony Snicket

Saturday PM BookClub
4th & 5th Grades 2:00pm
10/29, 11/5, 12, 19

4 Holidays—

Preschool story hour
9:00am—New time!
11/16, 23, 30, 12/7

Reading Aloud to Your Children

Carleen Mull,
Frank Knight Literacy Coach &
Coordinator
November 3rd @ 7:00pm

Holiday Concert, Sing Along & Angel Tree

December 4th @ 1:00

**Don't just think about it.
DO IT!**

Make a Difference to the Seneca Falls Library

By supporting the Seneca Falls Library you help to cultivate the minds of area residents from the youngest to the oldest. You help children's books, juvenile and young adult books, adult books, large type books, books-on tape, movies, reference materials and computers remain available to everyone. These items change and are upgraded on a regular basis. It is imperative that the library replaces materials to stay on the edge of today's information curve. Last year our holdings increased by 83% and library visits were up by 104%.

By supporting the Seneca Falls Library, you sustain the programs the library provides free for all citizens. Piano and music concerts, discussions by college professors, historians, book discussions and book clubs as well as informational meetings, such as how to get into college or how to grow a Victorian garden, remain available with your support – all are found here at the library. Last year our programs increased by 71% and attendance was up 110%.

By supporting the Seneca Falls Library you make the Children's program possible for all area children. Songs and story time, reading clubs, starlight story time, play production in collaboration with the Seneca Falls Community Band are made possible to help the children succeed as students. Studies show that summertime reading will help your child keep from falling behind and return to school in September ready to learn. Children's programming is up by more than 400%.

Open the door to opportunity for the Seneca Falls community of tomorrow

Fewer than 15% of the people on our mailing list have contributed this year. If you have made a membership **donation in 2005, Thank you!** If not, make a difference through a membership or endowment gift to the annual fund before the end of the year. Support the Library and its programs. Make a difference.

Just do it!

Wish List

3 conference tables, suggested by Larry Liberatore, Library Architect @ \$680 each x 3 for \$2,040

A **piano damp chaser** to insure the longevity of our Yamaha G-7 grand piano \$400

A **microphone, stand and amplifier** for library programs \$150

Volunteers for the Children's Program and the Development Office 568-8265 x4



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Seneca Falls Library!

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United Way
of Seneca County