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Serving public libraries in Albany and Rensselaer Counties of New York State

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Mission Statement

The Upper Hudson Library System (UHLS) coordinates resources and activities that will improve the services of the public libraries in Albany and Rensselaer Counties.

Our 47th Upper Hudson Library System Annual Dinner will be held on June 11th at the Albany Country Club. We are thrilled to have Karen Hyman as our keynote speaker. Her topic will be “The Customer-Centered Library.” Ms. Hyman is the South Jersey Regional Library Cooperative Executive Director and a national speaker on reinventing your library. She is the 2003 recipient of the American Library Association’s Leadership Achievement Award. She is a fascinating and entertaining speaker who holds her audiences enthralled. Her information is logical and down-to-earth, and the suggestions that she offers are reasonable, yet brilliant. Upper Hudson Library System was the recipient of her humorous, but eye-opening style when she gave a program earlier this year as part of an LSTA Customer Service grant. The library staff who attended the standing-room-only program had many compliments and were eager for a return engagement.

The evening will begin with cocktails and hors d’oeuvres from 5:30-6:30 PM, dinner from 6:30-8:00 PM and then the keynote speaker and annual Awards from 8:00-9:00 PM. The Awards being presented are: Library Program of the Year, Trustee of the Year, and Volunteer of the Year.

The Upper Hudson Library System Annual Dinner is a wonderful opportunity for trustees to network with like-minded people in an elegant social setting. The dinners at the Country Club have always been popular due to the site and the exceptional quality of the meals.

Invitations for the Annual Dinner will be mailed to all library trustees at the end of April. **RSVP deadline is May 23rd**. For further information, please contact Heidi Fuge, Upper Hudson Library System Administrative Manager, at 437-9880 x 221 or heidi@uhls.lib.ny.us. See page 2 of this newsletter for an invitation and response form.

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The Board of Trustees
of the Upper Hudson Library System
cordially invites you to the
47th ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

Wednesday, June 11, 2008

Albany Country Club

300 Wormer Rd.

Voorheesville, NY

(directions on the back of this card)

5:30 - 6:30 PM Cocktails

6:30 - 8:00 PM Dinner

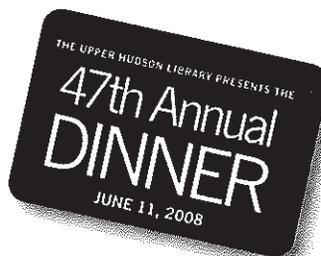
8:00 - 9:00 PM Annual Meeting

Keynote Speaker - Karen Hyman
"The Customer-Centered Library"

Annual Awards presentation to follow

RSVP by May 23, 2008
with enclosed card & envelope

Library affiliation



Dinner choices are:

- (B) Flat iron steak with a mushroom demi glace
- (C) Chicken parmesan
- (F) Roasted salmon filet
- (V) Roasted vegetable wellington

Names

Dinner selections (circle one)

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of people _____ @ \$30.00 per person = \$ _____

Payable to: Upper Hudson Library System
RSVP by May 23, 2008

GRANTS

Target Stores Accepting Applications for Local Grants Program

Target Corporation's Local Store Grants provide funding support to "Target" communities in the areas of arts, reading programs, and family violence prevention. To be eligible, organizations must be located in communities where Target does business. Grants will be awarded to nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations, schools, libraries, or public agencies for nonprofit programs that impact arts, early childhood reading, or family violence prevention. The average grant amount is between \$1,000 and \$3,000. For communities offering unique opportunities outside the scope of the program's focus areas, Target provides each store limited funds for Target Gift Card donations. Gift Card donations are available March through December, as funding permits. Visit the Target Web site for complete program information. **Application deadline is May 31, 2008.**

The RGK Foundation 2008 Social Program Support Grants

The RGK Foundation supports organizations throughout the U.S. that offer innovative programs in the following categories: 1) Education, which includes programs that focus on K-12 education (particularly mathematics, science, and reading), teacher development, literacy, and higher education; 2) Medicine/Health programs that promote the health and well-being of children and programs that increase access to health services; and 3) Community, which targets a broad range of human services, community improvement, abuse prevention, and youth development programs. All nonprofit organizations including government institutions are eligible. All applicants must complete an electronic Letter of Inquiry from the web site as the first step. For more information visit: <http://www.rgkfoundation.org/guidelines.php>. **Application deadline is June 6, 2008.**

NEA Creativity and Aging in America Grants

The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) announces funds to actively engage older Americans in quality arts programs. Through this initiative, NEA will support exemplary projects in the disciplines of literature and music. Projects must be conducted by professional artists and engage older adults (65 and above) as students, artists, and/or teachers. Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education.

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Approximately 15 awards are available ranging from \$15,000-\$25,000. A match is required. For more information visit the NEA website: <http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/CreativityAging.html>. **Application deadline is May 23, 2008.**

Soul of a People

“Soul of a People: Voices from the Writers’ Project” is a collaboration between the National Endowment for the Humanities, (NEH) the American Library Association and Spark Media, a Washington, D.C.–based production and outreach company. The library programs associated with “Soul of a People” are funded by a major grant from the NEH to the American Library Association.

“Soul of a People” will give public audiences the opportunity to participate in library-sponsored humanities programs that explore the Works Progress Administration Writers’ Project through the American Guide series of state and regional travel guides, regional cultural studies, oral history interviews, films, and photographs. “Soul of a People” will also showcase works of important authors of the twentieth century who got their start in the Writers’ Project. For more information, go to www.ala.org/publicprograms. **Application deadline is July 11, 2008.**



"Let's Talk About it" is a grant program funded by the Fetzer Institute.

Let's Talk About It: Love & Forgiveness

“Let’s Talk About It: Love & Forgiveness” is a reading and discussion program for public libraries funded by the Fetzer Institute. Participating libraries will promote and present a five-part literary discussion series led by a local scholar and based on one of three themes. Successful applicants will receive training for the project director at a national workshop, program and promotional materials, and a \$2,500 grant to support program costs, scholar honoraria, and travel to the workshop. Find out more at www.ala.org/publicprograms. **Application deadline is July 15, 2008.**

Wal-Mart Community Grant Program

The Wal-Mart Community Grant Program allows local nonprofit organizations, such as schools, youth programs, fire departments, and libraries, to hold fundraisers at their local Wal-Mart or SAM’S CLUB. Through the Matching Grant Program, the store/club can elect to match a portion of the funds raised up to \$1,000. Events held off the premises are also eligible for funding when a company associate is actively involved. To learn more about the program visit the website <http://walmartstores.com/CommunityGiving/> or contact the Community Involvement Coordinator at the local Wal-Mart or Sam's Club.

UHLS NEWS

Trustee Workshop

RESERVE THIS DATE: September 25th for our next Trustee Workshop. We will be returning to the popular Albany Marriott Hotel on Wolf Road and are very pleased to have Josh Cohen, Executive Director of the Mid-Hudson Library System in Poughkeepsie, and Libby Post, President of Communication Services in Albany, as our presenters. Both are very well-known and well-respected in the library world. The evening will start with two concurrent sessions from 5:00-7:00 PM and will conclude with a Buffet Dinner from 7:00 – 8:00 PM.

Josh Cohen will be speaking about “The Essential Duties and Responsibilities of Library Trustees” and Libby Post will address “Advocacy and Public Relations for Library Trustees.” Registration forms and information will be mailed to all library trustees and we anticipate that the workshops will fill quickly.

ADULT SERVICES

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Coming soon: Downloadable Audiobooks for iPod

At the Public Library Association’s annual meeting in Minneapolis, OverDrive demonstrated a new audio format for library lending: OverDrive MP3 Audiobooks. The titles, services, and software for the new format will be ready for us to start adding to our OverDrive digital media collection by the end of June. This will be followed with the release of OverDrive Media Console for the Mac.

This means that patrons will be able to download to more models and devices, including the iPods, iPhone, iPod Touch, Zune, and the thousands of other MP3 players and devices on the market.

At launch, however, there will be a limited catalog of titles as not all publishing partners will offer content in OverDrive MP3 format. But as OverDrive and libraries demonstrate to publishers and authors the commercial benefits of the sale of their materials in this format, the MP3 catalog will grow quickly. OverDrive plans to continue its support of DRM protected audio content (.WMA), along with its introduction of the MP3 format.

LSTA Grant to “Explore Your Shore”

Upper Hudson Library System received an LSTA grant that will focus on local history and teens. This two-year grant, which began this month, is titled “Explore Your Shore: Discovering Community History @ Your Library.” Fourteen Upper Hudson Library System libraries will participate in projects that use the “Hudson 400” as a springboard to improve family literacy efforts and develop model partnerships and collaborations between libraries and community and regional organizations.

“Hudson 400” is the New York’s Hudson Valley quadricentennial celebration of European discovery by Henry Hudson in 1609. This partnership of communities, historic and cultural sites, and art and performance venues provides a rich amalgamation of resources for Upper Hudson Library System libraries to build family literacy programs.

UHLS Libraries Gear Up for Summer Reading Promotion with “The Public Relations Challenge”

“Catch the Reading Bug” and “Metamorphosis @ Your Library” are the kids and teen themes for the statewide Summer Reading Program. Library staff will also have the chance to transform themselves into more expert marketers this year through a grant program – an opportunity Upper Hudson Library System staff will definitely “bug” them to embrace!



Bugs have a big role in the themes for the 2008 Summer Reading Program.

To encourage member library staff to learn new marketing skills for the Summer Reading Program, UHLS has developed and received a mini-grant called *The Public Relations Challenge*. This grant will train and motivate member library staff to rev up their marketing for the Summer Reading Program by reaching new audiences and forging new and beneficial community relationships. Each library participating in the statewide Summer Reading Program will be challenged to reach out to their communities in new ways to involve individuals, businesses, organizations, and local media in promoting and participating in the Program and its activities.

Library staff will create marketing opportunities and execute various marketing tasks according to a tiered approach of effort and reward. Libraries that have minimal staff or are working through funding or community problems, and libraries that have many staff and sophisticated publicity mechanisms, have an equal opportunity to participate and develop their staffs' skills. Rewards – in addition to new and useful skills – are money for youth programs.

MEMBER LIBRARY NEWS

Albany Public Library

Renovations Begin at the Pine Hills and John A. Howe Libraries

Excitement is mounting as Albany Public Library's Branch Improvement Plan moves into the construction phase at the end of May. The Howe and Pine Hills Libraries closed for renovations on April 19th.

Albany Public Library will be holding auctions, at each closed Branch. Items up for auction include wood bookshelves, metal shelving, tables, chairs and many library mementos. The Howe Branch auction will be on Wednesday, May 7th at 6:00 PM, and the Pine Hills Branch auction will be on Wednesday May 14th at 6:00 PM.

In early May, the Howe Branch will move to the Albany Housing Authority's Administrative Building at 200 South Pearl Street and the Pine Hills Branch will relocate to a terrific Pine Hills Location we can't announce just yet. The temporary locations will provide full library service, access to APL's collection of books, DVDs, CDs, public computers and free Internet access, children, teen and adult programming and daily interlibrary loan deliveries from other libraries. The current Delaware Branch, North Albany Branch, Main Library and the Bookmobile will remain open throughout the construction period.

"The temporary closings of the Pine Hills and John A. Howe Branches are just the beginning. There's so much to look forward to – five new libraries for the great city of Albany," said Interim Director Tim Burke.

"Read and Feed" Gets Teens into Reading

Emer Geraghty, a former APL intern and current Spanish teacher/librarian in training at Philip Livingston Magnet Academy, and APL Youth Services Librarian Meta Reid have developed a unique approach to connect teens with books, an outreach program called "Read and Feed." In the first program, eighteen 7th grade boys at Livingston Academy brought their lunches to the school library to eat while someone read to them. Meta Reid began by reading from *Getting Air* by Dan Gutman, about a group of skateboarders going to the X games, an extreme sports event, in Los Angeles. "It's a great 'guy' book that the students could relate to." said Meta. This went on all week, with different readers each day. On the last day there was a pizza party, with a special guest from The Shelter, a skateboarding park in Albany. To encourage a continued interest in reading, a drawing was held and the teens won books and gift certificates to Barnes & Noble.

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The program did not overlook teen girls. A group of Livingston girls gathered at lunchtime in the library for a week to listen to *Speak* by Laurie Halse Anderson, about a high school girl trying to fit in.

The inspiration for “Read and Feed” came from a workshop given by librarian, educator and storyteller Michael Sullivan, who teaches workshops on encouraging young readers all around the country. For more information on the “Read and Feed” program call Meta Reid, Youth Services Librarian at 427-4310.

2008 Albany Home Buyer Fair

On Saturday, May 3rd, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Affordable Housing Partnership is sponsoring a Home Buyer Fair at the Main Library. Information tables, door prizes, grant programs, realtors, nonprofits, inspectors, and lenders will be on hand to answer your questions.



The Main Library will be offering several programs to assist home buyers.

First Time Homebuyers Program

The Albany County Rural Housing Authority will be presenting another *First Time Homebuyers Program* at the Main Library on Saturday, May 31st, from 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM. Included in the presentations will be information by a real estate lawyer, a real estate agent, and information to guide you through the world of financing. With all of the stories in the news about home foreclosures, you will not want to miss this all-day session if you are considering the purchase of a home in the next year or two. Please call the library to sign up at 427-4313.

Reentry Conference

Reentry Conference is on May 10th, at the Main Library from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. This free conference is aimed at individuals formerly incarcerated and the organizations and agencies assisting them. Employers can learn about possible tax credits and the Federal Bonding Program available to them if hiring a formerly incarcerated person. In addition to seminars, those making the transition back to the community will find information and resources on employment and support services. This program is Sponsored by the Center for Law & Justice, R.O.O.T.S. (Reentry Opportunities and Orientations for Success), and America Works. For more information, call the Center at 427-8361, or R.O.O.T.S. at 434-1026.

Altamont Public Library

Container Gardener

Looking for an excuse to play with dirt? Children of all ages can join us Thursday, May 15th at 4:00 PM, to build a container garden to take home. Please sign up by May 13th.

Wildflowers, Faces, Facts, and Folklore

Altamont is hosting an illustrated presentation by master gardener Pam Taft on Monday, May 19th at 7:00 PM.



Stone Soup
focuses on
community and
cooperation.

Stone Soup with the Honest Weight Food Co-op

On June 9th at 4:00 PM, we will read *Stone Soup* by Jon J. Muth. This is a re-telling of the traditional story about journeying monks who visit a village that has fallen on hard times. It is a beautiful version focusing on community and cooperation. The children will make their version of “stone soup”. While the soup is cooking, students will clean up and set their tables for our “community meal.”

Chicken BBQ

There will be a Chicken BBQ with music of the traditional strings to benefit the Altamont Free Library Building Fund on Friday, June 20th, from 5:00 - 7:00 PM.

Eating Locally – Potluck and Discussion

Join Gary Kleppel of Longfield Farm on Monday June 30th at 6:30 PM for a shared meal and a discussion on the ramifications of where our food comes from. Bring your own place settings and a dish to share. Please sign up by June 26th.

Arvilla E. Diver Memorial Library



Learn how to protect
and enrich your garden.

Nursing Your Garden the Healthy Way

Bill Town will show you how to protect and enrich your garden without risking your health on May 7th at 7:00 PM.

Romance Writers 101

Four locally published authors will discuss writing basics, the publishing industry and more on May 14th at 7:00 PM.

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Adult Book Club

The adult book club will meet to discuss the book *Hope, Human and Wild* by Bill Mckibben on May 15th at 7:00 PM.

An Introduction to Genealogy

Kathy Sheehan, a local historian, will teach the basics of researching your family history on May 21st at 7:00 PM.



Stawberries and Jazz
on June 14th.

June - August

The Annual Summer Reading Program, "Catch the Reading Bug."

Strawberry Social and the Hoosic Valley Jazz Ensemble

Enjoy Strawberry Shortcake in the village park while entertained by Hoosic Valley's Jazz Ensemble on June 14th, at 2:00 - 4:00 PM.

Adult Book Club

The adult book club will meet to discuss the book *Bridge of Sighs* by Richard Russo on June 18th at 7:00 PM.

Castleton Public Library

The Castleton Public Library won first runner up for the Best Small Library in America, an award sponsored by Library Journal and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. "The annual award was created in 2005 to encourage and showcase the exemplary work of libraries serving populations under 25,000," according to an article in the magazine. The Castleton Public Library is chartered to serve 1,600 villagers and is contracted by the town of Schodack to serve another 12,000. The library manages to offer 378 programs by reaching out to local schools, clubs and community organizations.

East Greenbush Community Library

Friends of the East Greenbush Library Book Sale

Thursday, May 1st, 5:00 - 8:30 PM • Friday, May 2nd, 9:00 AM - 8:30 PM • Saturday, May 3rd, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM • Sunday, May 4 - 1:00 - 3:00 PM BAG SALE ONLY.

Special pricing for the Thursday Preview Sale only with hardbound copies selling for \$2.00 and quality bound paper for \$1.00. Regular pricing resumes Friday, May 2nd. Bag sale pricing on May 4th is \$2.00 a bag. Donations of good used books, music CDs & records, DVDs & videos are now being accepted. Please Note: This sale does not include children's books or materials.

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Learn how acupuncture can improve your quality of life.

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Acupuncture and Chinese Herbs Help Relieve Chronic and Acute Pain

Traditional Chinese medicine has been used for several thousand years for the treatment of many diseases. Join Deborah Torrance, L.I.C.A.C., of East Greenbush Chiropractic Wellness Center on Tuesday, May 6th at 7:00 PM and learn how this ancient healing modality can treat pain, rebalance your system and improve your quality of life.

Sugar Blues

On Wednesday, May 7th at 7:00 PM, join Rich Neuman, graduate of the Institute of Integrative Nutrition, for a workshop designed to help find a healthy alternative to sugar or sweets. Learn why we crave sugar; when we tend to desire sweets; how to satisfy our sweet tooth in a healthy way; alternatives to sugar we can enjoy; and much more.

Every Kitty, Every City

Feral cats deserve to live. Join the folks from Caring Friends of Animals for a discussion of how you can help feral cats in your community. On Wednesday, May 21st at 7:00 PM the group will discuss TNR (trap, neuter and return) and how to live peacefully with feral cats in our communities.

Bollywood Movie Festival

Saturday, May 17th at 9:30 AM – *Blue Umbrella*, 11:30 AM – *Jab We Met*, 2:30 PM – *Gandhi My Father*.

Guilderland Public Library

Viva Latin Jazz!

Brazilian Jazz: Major Styles and Artists
Wednesday, May 7th, 7:00 PM

Tom Pierce, a resident of Guilderland and a longtime contributor to both print and online jazz review publications, leads this audiovisual introduction to the rich history, diversity, influences and major artists of Brazilian music, including Gilberto Gil, Antonio Carlos Jobim, Gal Costa, Milton Nascimento, Astrud Gilberto, and many more.



Guilderland presents
Brazilian Jazz.

Antonio Carlos Jobim – Brazilian Jazz Legend

Wednesday, May 14th, 7:00 PM

Tom Pierce leads this audiovisual presentation on Brazil's most renowned musical figure, Antonio Carlos Jobim, including his development as a young pianist/guitarist, singer/composer, through the emergence of Bossa Nova.

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The Sonny & Perley Quartet present “Brazilian Romance”

Saturday, May 17th, 2:00 PM

A concert of the musical traditions of Brazilian Jazz, performed by the ever-popular quartet, featuring pianist Sonny Daye and vocalist Perley Rousseau.

This project is made possible in part through Community Art\$Grants, a program funded through the State and Local Partnership Program of the New York State Council on the Arts, a state agency, and the Arts Center of the Capital Region. Funding also came from The Friends of the Guilderland Public Library.

Guilderland Awarded ESOL Grant from ALA and Dollar General

In recognition of the Library’s efforts to provide services to the ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) community, the American Library Association and Dollar General Literacy Foundation have awarded us \$5,000 as part of the American Dream Starts @ your library initiative.

These funds will enable our partner, Literacy Volunteers—Mohawk/Hudson, Inc., to develop a new and more effective model for training ESOL tutors, to recruit and train volunteers to serve as ESOL tutors, to hold workshops on Workplace and Health Literacy, and to work with the library in developing a website for ESOL tutors and students. The grant will also fund the purchase of new ESOL materials for the Library’s collection.

Volunteers interested in becoming an ESOL tutor and being part of this wonderful initiative, can join the upcoming tutor-training session to be held in September, 2008. Call Adult Reference at 456-2400, ext. 7 and help make a difference in your community.

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Nassau Public Library

Nassau Library To Sponsor Employment Workshops

Are you looking for a job – or looking to change the job you have? If so, you might want to consider attending one or more of the Employment Workshops that will be held at the Nassau Library during the month of May. Each of the four sessions will run from 7:00 - 8:30 PM. Dates and descriptions follow:

- Session 1, May 1st: Identifying your marketable skills
- Session 2, May 8th: Learning to use the Internet and other sources in searching for a job
- Session 3, May 15th: Developing an effective resume
- Session 4, May 22nd: Learning and practicing effective interviewing techniques

The workshops will be conducted by a job coach from the University at Albany Career Counseling Center. Funding for the project comes through an Outreach Mini-grant from the Upper Hudson Library System. Space is limited, so call 766-2715 to register.

Rensselaer Public Library

Mother's Day Craft - Saturday, May 10th at 1:00 PM. Storytime and craft. Make a special gift for your Mom or Grandma. All ages.

All about Herbs - Thursday, May 15th at 6:30 PM. Learn about the many uses of herbs in cooking, medicine and cosmetics with the Honest Weight Food Co-op.

Father's Day Craft - Saturday, June 14th at 1:00 PM. Storytime and craft. Make a special gift for your Dad or Grampa. All ages.

Computer Class - Wednesday, June 18th at 6:30 PM. Question and answer workshop for beginners. Come with specific questions or practice on the computers with guidance. Sign-up required, limited space.

The Summer Reading Program, *Catch the Reading Bug*, will begin July 1st.



"Catch the Reading Bug!"

Rensselaerville Library

On Monday, April 21st, 2008, the Board of Trustees for Rensselaerville Public Library voted to hire Candy D. Wilson as the director of the Library. Candy has been the Interim Director since September 2007.

Troy Public Library

Acting Workshop - Books on Stage

Children in grades 4-8 are invited into the Main Library from 3:30 – 5:00 PM each Wednesday from May 28th – June 25th for an acting workshop. Participants will learn how to develop a character from their own imagination. They will receive free tickets to see “Who is Pippi Longstocking?” with their family at The NY State Theatre Institute. This is a golden opportunity to sample theatre arts in a relaxed atmosphere.



National Be Kind to Animals Week is May 4th-10th.

Be Kind to Animals

During National Be Kind to Animals Week, May 4th -10th, we will be accepting donations for a local animal shelter, the Animal Protective Foundation of Scotia, NY. For a list of needed items go to www.animalprotective.org and look for “wishlist.” We will also be sponsoring a poster contest for kids. On Saturday May 10th from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Troy Public Library will host an adoption clinic for former greyhound race dogs. For details check out our website at www.thetroylibrary.org.

Voorheesville Public Library

The Big Read Visits France

Librarian Suzanne Fisher will be your “literary guide” on a memorable 10-day trip to Paris and the south of France this fall. You will enjoy the local cheeses, wines, breads and pastries. Sample the olives and seafood in Provence, garlicky escargots in Burgundy and the wine-based mustards of Dijon. The tour follows the path of American novelist Edith Wharton’s travels through France. Take this opportunity to travel and learn as part of a congenial group, with knowledgeable bilingual guides, and enjoy wonderful French food and culture. To see the entire itinerary and information on how to reserve a place on this adventure, go to www.voorheesvillelibrary.org or call Suzanne Fisher at 765-2791.



Tour through France following the path of novelist Edith Wharton.

Wounds Of War

The Brain Injury Association of New York State will be presenting their new video on traumatic brain injury. Meet a local veteran who sustained this type of injury in Iraq and find out the effects on the lives of our soldiers. Don’t miss this moving presentation on May 29th at 7:00 PM.

Ice Cream Social

For anyone who loves ice cream! Come enjoy a summer passion – ice cream sundaes – with help from our neighbor at Stewart’s who will provide the refreshments. We provide booktalks, reading suggestions, and fingerprint art. This is a drop-in program on Wednesday, June 25th at 6:30 PM. We’ll also have an “I Spy” wall of bugs, bug-themed books, and take-home “cootie catchers!”

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“When I read about the way in which library funds are being cut and cut, I can only think that American society has found one more way to destroy itself.”

- *Isaac Asimov*

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May

- 2 Directors Association at UHLS 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- 12 Administration Committee meeting at UHLS 4:00 PM
- 14 Services, Finance, Board meeting at UHLS 3:30 - 6:00 PM
- 16 YSAC at William K. Sanford Town Library (COLN)
Small library concerns discussion group 9:00 - 10:00 AM
YSAC meeting 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Large library concerns discussion group 12:00 - 1:00
- 27 Automated Services Committee meeting at UHLS 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
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Book review 9:00 - 10:00 AM
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