Philomathic News

**UPL Afterschool**

At ten minutes to three, the first students arrive at the library for busy afternoons. We have eight computers available for up to two 30 minute sessions (longer if no one is waiting), a Wii station, two study rooms, homework supplies, make & take crafts, board games, outdoor play, and of course, books. On Mondays, we have a dog who listens to readers, and on Wednesdays we have games and snacks. All this activity occurs while our volunteers are checking books in and out, helping researchers, and answering the phone along with myriad other library tasks. If they bring snacks they can eat them in the lobby or outside, but not in the stacks. Securely covered drinks are okay in the library, but not at the computers.

While we welcome patrons of all ages, we do not provide afterschool care. So before your child visits the library afterschool, please consider whether or not:

- They are old enough to be unsupervised in a public place
- They have enough activities to occupy themselves for two hours
- They enjoy the library and its resources: books, games, magazines and computers
- They can leave on their own and/or be picked up promptly at closing

Please help us have a busy library that meets the needs of library patrons of all ages.

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**It’s a Magical Place**

UPL is so many things. It’s a place to read or to attend a talk, a place to browse the internet or take in some local art, a place to have a meeting or just enjoy a quiet spot. But it’s more than that, as I was reminded after a recent visit with my kids.

It’s a magical place.

Now I don’t mean magical in the *Harry Potter* or *Peter Pan* sense (though we certainly have them here), but think back to when you first got a library card.

You could read whatever YOU wanted—adventures, mysteries, science fiction, fantasy—with no one telling you what to read. It was only up to you…magic.

You could travel to wherever you wanted—to distant parts of the globe or even the realm of make-believe—the destination was only up to you…magic.

And you could read as MUCH as you wanted—you didn’t need to save up your allowance or wait for birthday money to arrive in the mail, and then have to choose only the books you had enough money to buy—everything was FREE. How many books you took out was up to you only…magic.

And now, although I’m no longer a kid and can afford to buy books and travel to those parts of the world, the magic lives on for me. For after that recent visit to UPL with my kids—each returning with an armload of books—a house with four children was as quiet as the library…magic.

I wonder what magic UPL has in store for you.

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Director

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Community Read: George

Visit the Ulysses Philomathic Library, The Edith B. Ford Memorial Library, or the Trumansburg Middle School Library after June 1, 2016 to pick up your free copy of George by Alex Gino. This is a community read title funded by a generous grant from the Bernard Carl and Shirley Myrtle Dee Nash Memorial Fund of the Community Foundation of Tompkins County.

Grab your copy to read this summer and join us for a book discussion at the:
- Ford Memorial Library on Tuesday, August 23 at 6:30 p.m.
- Ulysses Philomathic Library on Wednesday, August 24 at 6:30 p.m.

Don’t miss Luca Maurer, co-author of the Teaching Transgender Toolkit (available at the Ulysses Philomathic Library) on Thursday, August 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Be Who You Are.
When people look at George, they think they see a boy. But she knows she’s not a boy. She knows she’s a girl.

George thinks she’ll have to keep this secret forever. Then her teacher announces that their class play is going to be Charlotte’s Web. George really, really, REALLY wants to play Charlotte.

But the teacher says she can’t even try out for the part... because she’s a boy.

With the help of her best friend, Kelly, George comes up with a plan. Not just so she can be Charlotte—but so everyone will know who she is, once and for all.

**Summer Reading Programs at UPL**

**Special Events:**

*Summer Reading Registration Begins: July 5 at 10:00 AM* and continues throughout the summer.

*Summer Reading Kick-off: July 11, 10:30 AM:* with Merry Go Round Playhouse Youth Theater Production of *The Tortoise & the Hare.*

*Summer Reading Celebration: August 20 at 10 AM* with Doug Rougeux’s BubbleGames will be on Saturday, at the Presbyterian Chapel.

**Weekly Programs:**

*On Your Mark, Get Set, Read Mondays at 10:30 AM:* Children’s summer reading programs with Martha Carpenter. July 11 through August 15.

*Get in the Game: Read, Tuesdays at 6:00 PM:* Teen Summer Reading with Ksana Broadwell. July 12 through August 16.


*Exercise Your Mind—Read, Thursdays at 6:30 PM:* Summer Speaker Series July 14 through August 18.

*Summer programming is made possible with grant support by New York State Council on the Arts, administered by the Community Arts Partnership, the Delavan Foundation, United Way of Tompkins County, and the Town of Ulysses/Village of Trumansburg Joint Youth Commission*

✦ Thanks to our new member challenge Donors! ✦

✦ So far, 233 members have renewed their memberships this year. ✦

Congratulations to the following winners of the Membership Raffle: Reanna Lavine & Daniel Graham, Loretta Ramstad, Bill & Martha Sitzman, Jerry Juenger, Tom & Kathleen Overbaugh, Dawn McDonald, Mary Gutelius, Gayle & Ron MacLean, Debra Herrmann, Carol Ann Kuklo, Julia Comin, Margot McClure, Colleen & Tim Coffey, Joe & Judy Dell, Ken & Hester Welch, Nancy Holbrook Stoehr, Kathleen Stickane, Tina MacDonald, Joan & Edward Ormondroyd, and Jim & Sue Mason.
Why Membership Matters to Me

A recent survey of folks attending the Member-only night of the recent UPL Booksale unveiled a range of responses to the question:

“What do you enjoy most about being a Member of UPL?”

One shopper revealed that because he does not live in town, he rarely gets a chance to come to UPL for library services. However, he keeps membership status in order to attend the Member-only night for the booksale: “I come twice a year. It’s worth it. It’s well-organized and there’s always a nice selection.”

Another member in the cookbook section reported that she joined UPL as a member “because I believe in public libraries. Especially in a small town, it’s such a good place for families. I remember going to my town library as a kid every Friday and leaving with a huge stack of books for the weekend. That opportunity should stay the same for all generations of children.”

Over by the fiction section, I caught an English teacher snapping up some books used in an elective class “I like the first crack at the book sale. I can always find a couple of copies of whatever I’m teaching here for kids who need them. This is a great resource for teachers!”

One member emphasized that she was unclear about how much she needed to donate to become a member and that she held off for a few years, thinking that it needed to be a certain amount. “I just didn’t have an extra hundred dollars to spend.” When she learned that membership is conveyed at any level of donation, she was thrilled and joined right away. “Now each year I increase it a little at a time because I use this place a lot for books and movies and sometimes the computer. I feel really good about it!”

Finally, a member wanted to express his appreciation of the Speaker Series held monthly at UPL. “There’s no other way that I would know that we have so many interesting people in our community! This library pulls them together and we all benefit by hearing from them. Who wouldn’t want to help create that opportunity?”

For all these and many more reasons, your membership matters. If you haven’t yet joined the Association Membership of UPL, now is a terrific time! You can send in the attached membership form OR visit us online at trumansburglibrary.org. Current members are always invited to renew at a level that demonstrates their appreciation of the comprehensive services that UPL brings to our community.

A Spring Clean Thank You

Thank you to all volunteers who helped with this year’s spring clean up event. Our helpful volunteers included:

Kathy Bond, Noelle Dembrosky, Richard Figiel, Alanna Fontanella, Joanna Lynch, Tim Martinson, Wren Martinson, Scott Mulford, Betsy Root, Dana Smith, John Wertis.

Thank you to Penny for donating a vacuum cleaner to the library.

John Wertis & Alanna Fontanella were caught cleaning!
YOU Can be a Volunteer at the Library!

Did you know your library has an entire team of dedicated people who manage the circulation desk, shelve books, shovel snow, curate exhibits, bake for events, staff the book sale, assist our librarians and so much more? Volunteering at the library can take many different forms with varying time commitments. We have people like Michele Mitrani who come weekly to replenish and curate the selections offered in the ongoing book sale. Richard Figiel has been keeping our Adult Non-fiction books shelves orderly and Rachel Kennedy puts hours in organizing our book sales.

If you’d like to learn more about how you too can volunteer at your library please ask for our Volunteer Coordinator, Heather Tielens the next time you are in or email her at upl@trumansburglibrary.org. We need you at the library and look forward to finding the perfect volunteer opportunity for you.

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Teaching Transgender Toolkit
August 25th at 6:30 PM

Luca Maurer, co-author of the Teaching Transgender Toolkit, will facilitate a discussion for parents and educators on supporting children and teens who may be transgender.

Moreland the Magician
September 14th at the Farmers’ Market Storytime

YOU Can be a Volunteer at the Library!
Libations for the Library
Here comes the sun!

Wednesday, June 8th, 2016 at Americana Winery
4667 East Covert Road, Interlaken, NY, 6:30-9:00 pm

Library supporters and local elected officials gather to enjoy tastings from several libation makers, plus great food from local restaurants and private kitchens. All money earned from ticket sales and raffles goes directly to help ensure the library’s programs and book purchases. Tickets are available at the circulation desk for $30 per ticket. Bring a non-perishable food item for the Tburg food pantry to be entered into a raffle!

**Tastings of:** Americana Winery, Sheldrake Point Vineyard, Thirsty Owl, Bacchus Brewing, Myers Farm Distillers, and Bellwether Hard Cider.

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