Philomathic News

“An Invitation to the Ulysses Philomathic Library Community”

On September 1, our library will stop charging fines for materials returned late. September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month, and we invite everyone to get a library card if you don’t already have one. We invite you to celebrate with us if you do.

Thanks to Senator Tom O’Mara for a $3,000 bullet aid contribution which will help the Ulysses Philomathic Library remove one of the largest barriers to public library access: fines.

Many libraries now understand and support this radical social change, and UPL is proud to join them. Becoming a fine free library will dramatically support our entire community by demonstrating that we are as open and welcoming as our mission implies. We understand the dynamic relationship between stewardship and access, and will still charge fees for out-of-system interlibrary loan materials and replacement fees for lost or damaged materials.

We have already taken steps to encourage reading with fine free picture books and board books, and our auto-renew feature. We want you have time to finish your reading and we trust you to return your materials in a timely manner.

Are you a reader who can afford to pay the fines that support our collection budget? Please consider a fine free membership gift which will be applied directly to our collection budget. Your gift will work toward our library’s efforts toward a love of learning for all. Your timely return of materials will ensure that we can stay fine free into the future.

Annette Birdsall, Director

“Respect”

Why go fine free?

In these somewhat cynical times, some would say it’s a leap of faith to believe that people will return borrowed materials without the threat of consequences. What is their incentive to return items?

Respect.

Our patrons respect our library because it is the heart of our community, and they respect the time and effort that so many have put in over the years to make it what it is today.

And in turn, UPL respects and honors the diversity in that community by offering a collection that appeals to a wide variety of ages, ethnicities, genders, etc.

We also respect the financial situations of our patrons. Anyone who wants to become an association member can, for any amount they can afford, even if it’s only a dollar.

But we, the library, can do more.

Did you know that there are people who stop coming to the library because they can’t pay a late fee or are too embarrassed to do so? That some of those people are children, for whom the library is their only source of books?

The library is for EVERYONE, no matter their financial situation. We don’t want anyone to feel like they aren’t welcome here, that they aren’t respected.

Why go fine free? Because we belong to you. ALL of you.

Stevan Knapp, Board President
2016 Memorial & Honor Gifts

Gift in Memory or Honor of

Nancy Adams given by Rich Paige
Collin Anderson given by Maryellen O’Donnell
Lani Baker given by Joy & Robert Armstrong
Lani Baker given by Glen & Jerilea Burke
Lani Baker given by Cargill Deicing Technology
Lani Baker given by Stanley & Diane Pamela
Julian K. Beins given by Barney & Linda Beins
Kathy Bond given by Robert Kibbee & Janet McCue
Ellen Bonn given by Joan & Edward Ormondroyd
Peter Burgevin & Margo Alexander given by
   Patricia & Jules Burgevin
Billie Bright Campbell given by Clifford & Margaret Northrup
Jacob Parker Carver & Hannah Parker Carver given by
   Emily Parker & René Carver
Laura Foulkes given by Frank & Elvira Brockman
Angela Gaige, Scott & April Miller & Liza Cotterill given by
   the Trumansburg Community Nursery School
Bud & Pinky Golder given by Chris & Cathy Honness
Bud & Pinky Golder given by Jeanette Miller
Margery Grace given by Charles Grace
Carol Kappel given by the Taughannock Garden Club
Carl Keith given by Clifford & Margaret Northrup
Andrew Kibbee & Rachel Berkshire given by Joan & Edward Ormondroyd
Stuart Lewis given by Clifford & Margaret Northrup
Cynthia Mannino given by Annie & Harley Campbell
Earla Sue McNaull given by Kathy Bond
Earla Sue McNaull given by Tim Martinson & Joanna Lynch
Earla Sue McNaull given by Joan & Edward Ormondroyd
Earla Sue McNaull given by Rich Paige
Earla Sue McNaull given by Charles & Joan Stewart
Ashley Miller given by Joan & Edward Ormondroyd
Keith Northrup given by Larry Thayer
Mary K. Read given by Doug & Judy Barkee
Mary K. Read given by E. Thomas Billard
Mary K. Read given by Tom & Lynn Read
Mary K. Read given by Anne Viana, Tracy Mason & Gregory Corey
Lauren & Kristen Shallish given by Maureen & Neil Shallish
Gail Shapiro & Family given by Ruth Shapiro
Sally Sutcliffe given by Scott Sutcliffe
Taughannock Garden Club members who have passed given by the Taughannock Garden Club
Trumansburg Senior Citizen members who passed away in 2015 given by the Trumansburg Senior Citizens
William & Bernece Weitzel given by William & June Szabo
John Wertis given anonymously

Scenes From Summer Reading: Build A Better World

Celebrating the Love of Learning
2016 In Kind & Corporate Donors

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Cat's Pajamas
Ithaca Triathlon Club
Community Arts Partnership
Creekside Cafe
Encore Players Community Theatre
Falls Tavern
Finger Lakes Cider House
First Presbyterian Church of Ulysses
Flagstone Farm Environmental Education and Library Fund
Frontenac Point Vineyard & Estate Winery
Gemm Shop
Gimme Coffee
Good to Go! Trumansburg Market
Grassroots Festival of Music and Dance
Hannah Graeper Pottery
Hazelnut Kitchen
How Sweet It Is Dessert Cafe
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Ithaca Bakery
Ithaca Guitar Works
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Ron Don’s Village Pub
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Taughannock Garden Club
Thirsty Owl
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Trumansburg Christmas Bureau
Trumansburg Community Nursery School
Trumansburg Family Health Center
Trumansburg Liquor Store
Trumansburg Rotary Club
Trumansburg Senior Citizens
Trumansburg ShurSave
Twin Lakes Snowmobile Association
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The Birdsall Family
Carol Bloomgarden & Gordon Bonnet
Kathy Bond
Tim Bond & Carol Lee Fritz
Sadie Frederick
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Jenny Henion
Douglas Ann Land
Aaron & Hope Lewis
Cynthia & Joe Mannino
Robin McColley
Valerie Ober
Deb Pepe
Kate Sinko
Robert & Elizabeth Thomas
Cori Vogel & Andrew Moore
John Wertis

Thank You!

Correction:
Donors not acknowledged in the previous newsletter:
ANGEL ($2500 and up)
Achilles & Candy Filios
The raffle drawing will take place at the Storybake Auction on October 21, 2017. The event takes place from 10am-2pm.

Tickets $1 each or a packet of 6 for $5
Second Annual Young Poets Contest

The library received excellent submissions for the Spring poetry contest. The following poem is the winner. Thank you to everyone who entered and congratulations to our winner! Thank you also to Acorn Designs for donating a notebook prize. We look forward to next year’s contest!

Noodles
by Lucy Taylor, age 4.

Noodles Do
Noodles love
Noodles jump
Beautiful noodles

Fourth Annual Bake Sale

On July 19, Nolan, Amy, & Abby organized a bake sale in which they donated 40% of their earnings to the library. Nolan and Abby are local residents and Amy visits her grandfather, Charles Grace during the summer. Thank you to these generous members of our library community!

Fourth Annual Silent Auction and StoryBake Contest

October 21, 10:00am-2:00pm

Live music, raffles, refreshments, a Silent Auction, and our popular StoryBake Contest – all at the library on October 21! Also on that day, we will draw the winning raffle ticket for the dollhouse that’s been on display in the children’s section of the library.

Applications for StoryBake will be available at the circulation counter on September 15. This year’s theme is “There’s No Place Like Home”. Put on your thinking hats and picture a famous home from a book. Now picture how you might represent that famous home in cake form! You’ll find a description of the contest, and all the rules, on the application form. We can’t wait to see what you dream up this year!

The Silent Auction will also have a “home” theme, and pictures and descriptions of auction items will be available for pre-bidding, as in the past. Mark your calendars and plan to join us at the library on October 21 for this fun family day!

Please email one of the following if you wish to donate something to the auction:
Kathy Bond (kathybond1952@gmail.com), Julia Parete (petiteparete@gmail.com) or Cynthia Mannino (paintdog35@gmail.com)

If you or your organization would like to sponsor an issue of the library newsletter, please contact the Library Director.
Upcoming Programs at the Library:

**September 26, 6pm: Evening Storytime: Camping!**
Come camp out at the library, read books around the fire and make some s’mores!

**September 28, 6:30pm: Hungrytown Concert**
Come relax at a free show with this popular folk/pop duo.

**Month of November: Reading Without Walls Challenge**
Participate in this reading challenge all month long by reading something outside of your comfort zone. For all ages.

**November 2, 6pm: Local Author Peggy Billings**
The local poet will be reading selections from her latest book, Red Rooster Crowing.

**December 2, 7pm: Winterfest Storytime**
Join us at the end of Winterfest for a special presentation of the Snow Queen by Hans Christian Andersen.

**December 5, 6pm: Evening Storytime: Animals at Night**
Cozy up in the library to read nighttime stories about animals, make your own guidebook for tracking animal prints.

**December 8, 3pm: Gingerbread Houses**
Decorate and build gingerbread houses with Amy from Emoticakes!

All of these events are free and open to the public.

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**Annual Events**

**Fall Book Sale**
September 14 to 19, (please see back page for details).

**Candlelight Dinner**
November 4 at 6pm, (please see page 3).

**Storybake & Silent Auction**
October 21, 10am - 2pm

**Ongoing Programs**

**Watercolor**
Mondays from 10am to noon

**Spanish Class with Joan Ormondroyd**
Mondays, Conversation Round Table at 1pm

**Chair Yoga**
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:15 - 11:15am

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**Baby Toddler Storytime**
First and third Wednesdays from 10:30-11:30am
October to May at the Trumansburg Community Nursery School

**Farmers’ Market Storytimes**
Wednesdays at 5pm through October 25

**Intergalactic Fun and Games**
Starting September 20.
Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3 - 5pm; bring your Magic, Dungeons & Dragons, and other board games to the Melvin room for after school fun! Snacks provided.

**Read to Leo**
Thursdays at 3:15pm October to May

**Storytime and Art Project with Ksana & Barbara**
Thursdays at 10:30am

**Lego Build, with Peggy**
Saturdays from 10am - 2pm

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Membership News

Merriam Webster defines membership as the state of belonging to or being a part of a group or an organization.

But why does membership matter? By voluntarily becoming a member of an organization, you are making a statement of support. By becoming a member of the Ulysses Philomathic Library, you are supporting the heart of our community. UPL strives every day to offer a world of learning, wonder, and meaningful recreation. Our vision is to create services and collections worthy of a large library but in the warm, courteous environment of a small, local library. UPL provides the same resources to everyone who walks through its door. It bridges the economic divide that would otherwise deny these resources to some. The library allows people to search for jobs, to access free wi-fi, to borrow both print and digital materials. It offers engaging programs for children, teens, and adults. There is so much going on at the library, you really owe it to yourself to stop by and check it out! By becoming an Association Member of UPL, you are supporting this vibrant entity as a necessary and important component of our community. You are saying you recognize the value of the library, and you want these programs and services to always be available to everyone.

Join the library family by either renewing or starting your membership today! As an added incentive, all those who join or renew for 2017 Membership by September 30 will automatically be entered for a chance to win one of several prizes: $50 gift certificates to Atlas Bowl, a day at the Spa at Gothic Eves including a 60 minute massage, or a matching earring and necklace set.
Fall Book Sale 2017

September 14 to 19

**Books, Music, Games, Movies, Puzzles, & more**

$5 Bag Day: Monday, September 18
Pick Your Price Day: Tuesday, September 19

Regular price items range from $1 to $3 per item. Prices decrease throughout the sale. *Specially priced items are exempt from discounts.*

Book Sale Hours

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