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QUADRICENTENNIAL PROGRAMS



May 14, 6:30-8:30 pm: “Atlantic Crossing” with Art Cohn, Maritime Museum, in a free “Musical History of Lake Champlain.” A high-powered multimedia show! Library Auditorium, fully accessible. 100 seat limit.

“Energetic, high spirited, and playful. Your toes will tap, and your spirits will soar. The musicians love Vermont and its history, and it comes through in their music.” Ron Morgan.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY PROGRAMS:

“Quilts; A Second Exhibit,” will continue on the second floor display area until May 29th. Among the unusual quilts is the Seneca Nation Clan Blanket quilt, suspended from a “Snow Snake” shaft. A 1997 30 panel alphabet quilt is based upon the illustrations from a childhood book, Grover’s “Sunbonnet Babies ABC Book.” An Adirondack quilt and several other unusual quilts are also on display.

“Blooms and Blossoms,” in the Hale-Walter Gallery is on exhibit from April 8 to May 29th, with awards for the best painting and photography floral examples.

“Pretty Pots Project” in the Reference Area shows the creativity of local artists on earthenware pots. Linda Parks has reproduced on a larger pot the scenes of the Adirondacks and Lake Champlain which adorned the Christmas ornament she decorated for the White

House. Come and bid on the pot of your choice, which will be auctioned May 7th at 2pm. Artists are requested to become members of the Friends of the Library at just \$5.00.

DR. FRED WISEMAN, QUAD PROGRAM:

6:30-8:30 pm, Tuesday, May 5, 2009: “Champlain and 1609 from the Abenaki Perspective.” Dr. Wiseman will present information about the “First Navigators” and Champlain. Also, from May 1-15th will be an exhibit of a 20 foot birch bark canoe similar to one used by Champlain and the Abenakis, created from designs developed by Dr. Wiseman, Professor at Johnson State College, VT. The canoe was made from a single large piece of birch bark by Aaron York, a present day Abenaki craftsman. The canoe will be on the first floor of the Library. The Program will be in the Library auditorium.

Marty Morrissey and Robert Resnick



Quad Program: Coming Tuesday, June 2, 2009, 6:30 pm, in the Library Auditorium: Marty Morrissey from the “Highland Weavers” and Robert Resnick, of “All the Traditions.” Free program, 100 seat limit!

Marty Morrissey and Robert Resnick have been playing music together for more than 20 years as a duo, as members of the Vermont celtic band The Highland

Weavers, and as originators of the Tin Pan Valentinos, a swing jazz quintet. They are following up a critically acclaimed CD of Vermont songs from 2005 with a brand new recording of songs about Lake Champlain, just in time to celebrate the 400th anniversary of Samuel de Champlain's "discovery" of the lake that bears his name. Be sure to see them at the Library!

CHILDREN'S ROOM: SPRING SCHEDULE:

Watch for Summer Reading Program information!

For other services and updates, please check our website: www.plattsburghlib.org.

The **"TEENS SLAMI!" LIVE EVENT** (performance art based on writing) is scheduled for Sat., May 30, 2009 in the Library's Auditorium. Any teens wishing to perform their writing or parents who are interested can contact Mrs. Bandhold at bandholds@cityofplattsburgh-ny.gov

LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday	9:00 – 5:00	Thursday	9:00 – 8:00
Tuesday	9:00 – 8:00	Friday	9:00 – 5:00
Wednesday	9:00 – 8:00	Saturday	9:00 – 5:00

Sunday Closed. Library closed May 25, Memorial Day.

COMING QUADRICENTENNIAL PROGRAMS

July 21: Stan Ransom: "Lake Songs and Stories."

ARBOR DAY QUAD LEGACY TREE PLANTING
April 24th, 10:30am, an Adirondack Crabapple tree donated by Garrand-Toyota was planted in the side yard, with the help of fifth graders from Mrs. Maureen King's Oak Street School class.

SYBIL LUDINGTON'S RIDE: APRIL 26, 1777
On this date 16 year old Sybil Ludington, of Putnam County, rode 40 miles on a dark, rainy night to call out the militia troops to fight the British, who were burning Danbury, some 17 miles away. She rode twice as far as Paul Revere, she didn't get caught, and General Washington thanked her personally! Hooray for her!

ESSAY CONTEST, MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL
Topic: "What is the Significance of Lake Champlain Throughout History and Today?" Open to all county High Schools and Middle School students who have cards from Plattsburgh Public Library (free, sign up.)
High School: 1000 word essay; Middle School: 500 word essay. Prizes: First prize for each, \$400; Second prize for each, \$300; Third prize for each, \$200. Essays due at PPL, 19 Oak Street, by 8 pm, Tuesday, September 1. Essays judged on clarity, organization and historical content. Prizes awarded September 12, 2009, on steps of City Hall at Battle of Plattsburgh Celebration. Try your luck! Library Board

reserves the right to publish or use the essays.

YOUR NEWSLETTER COMMENTS

Library Director Stan Ransom appreciates comments. Email ransoms@cityofplattsburgh-ny.gov, or call 536-7442, or fill out comment cards at the Lending Desk.

"The only way to do all the things you'd like to do is to read."--Tom Clancy

"The Face of France" – Auguste Rodin



JEFF KELLY AT FRIENDS LUNCHEON

Jeff Kelly, author of "The 21 Mine" and "Adirondack Heist," will be the guest speaker at the Burgundy Room at noon on Thursday, June 18th. His association with the Quadricentennial comes from the fact that his "Heist" book was a story about the fictional chiseling out and theft of the million dollar Rodin sculpture, "The Face of France," from the Crown Point lighthouse. While this event never happened, in actuality the sculpture has been removed for cleaning and restoration. Come hear what Jeff has to say about the event and his story. Luncheon price is \$20, payable to "Friends of the Library." Deadline is Monday, June 15. For reservations, call Jean Tolosky at 324-6295, Kathy Herlihy at 561-7263, or Kathy Murnane at 561-2535.

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Children's Room	7445

"If we didn't have libraries, many people thirsty for knowledge would dehydrate!" – Megan Tetrick, age 12.