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CALENDAR OF LIBRARY EVENTS

- September 21 Woodlawn Film Series begins with Citizen Kane. Woodlawn Branch Library, 7:30 P.M.
- September 25 Books Sandwiched In opens fall series with Steve Fitz reviewing What You Don't Know Can Hurt You by Lester Markei. Details on page 2.
- September 27 Wednesday Noon Films: The Er-i-e, Saga of the Erie Canal and Colonial Life on A Dutch Manor. Meeting Room Central Library
- September 28 Woodlawn Film Series: Animal Farm
- September 28-30 METROFAIR, Local Government Exposition, Field House, Union College
Look for Library exhibit
- October 2 Books Sandwiched In. Dr. Harold Blodgett will review "The Late John Marquand" by Stephen Birmingham
- October 3 — Heritage Film Series: Hall of Kings: Westminster Abbey. Art films Meeting Room. 8:00 P.M.
- October 4 Wednesday Noon Films: Cape Breton Island, Bluenose Shore and Quebec: Citadel City
- October 4 Film Classics Series opens with: Foolish Wives. Meeting Room. 8 P.M.
- October 5 Woodlawn Film Series: Tillie's Punctured Romance and The Cops
- October 10 — Heritage Film Series: Eugene Atget and The Louvre
- October 10 Duane Family Film Festival begins with Circus Town, Girls Club. 7 P.M.
- October 11 Wednesday Noon Films: German Festival Time and Germany: The Southern Uplands
- October 11 Film Classics Series: The Clown Princes and The Fun Factory
- October 12 Woodlawn Film Series: The Cat and the Canary and Dracula
- October 16 Books Sandwiched In: "The Game of Foxes" by Ladislav Farago reviewed by Dr. Fred Jonas
- October 16 Friends of the Library Board Meeting. Board Room Central Library, 8 P.M. Members welcome to attend.
- October 17 — Heritage Film Series: The Ever-Changing Sky, The Impressionists and Monet
- October 17 Duane Family Film Festival: Aretha Franklin: Soul Singer and Eye of the Storm
- October 18 Film Classics Series: Way Out West
- October 19 Woodlawn Film Series: Mystery of Stonehenge
- October 20 Pashler-Fromageot Concert, Meeting Room, 8 P.M.
- October 21-thru Exhibit of paintings by Ernest Mills, Central Library
- December 1
- October 24 — Heritage Film Series: Van Gogh: A Self Portrait
- October 24 Duane Family Film Festival: Tillie's Punctured Romance
- October 25 Film Classics Series: Stage Door
- October 26 Woodlawn Film Series: The Gold Rush
- October 30 Books Sandwiched In: Dr. Jack Underwood reviews "The Coming of Age" by Simone de Beauvoir
- October 31 — Heritage Film Series: Picasso
- October 31 Duane Family Film Festival: The Red Balloon and The Pawnshop (Chaplin)
- November 1 Film Classics Series: Citizen Kane
- November 6 Books Sandwiched In: Dr. Carl Niemeyer reviews Richard Ellmann's "Ulysses on the Liffey"
- November 13 Table Talk on World Affairs begins, Monday noon, Meeting Room

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BOOKS SANDWICHED IN BEGINS SEPTEMBER 25

Mrs. T. A. Rich, Books Sandwiched In Chairman, announces five book review programs on Monday noons September 25, October 2, 16 and 30 and November 6. All programs will be in the Central Library Meeting Room. Discussions are over by 1:15, but those who must leave earlier are given a chance to do so.

All programs are free and open to the public. Sandwiches may be brought from home or ordered by telephoning the Central Library, 372-4415 between 9 and 10 A.M. on the day of the meeting. A sandwich and beverage costs 95¢ and coffee or tea may be purchased for 10¢.

BE A SPECIAL FRIEND
BE A LIBRARY VOLUNTEER

Do you have several hours you could give regularly each week as a library volunteer? The Library could use your efforts well.

What do volunteers do at the Library? Most often they shelve books, file index cards, type, look up bibliographic information -- all necessary functions to the smooth operation of the Library. Training is provided.

In 1971, Miss White reported a total of 3,374 1/2 hours of volunteer assistance, exceeding all previous years. Without the help of the volunteer workers the library, supported by tax funds, could not have carried the workload it did...," Miss White adds.

Call Mrs. John Mahar, Friends' Chairman of Volunteers (374-1046) or Mrs. Gladys Karlin, Library Coordinator of Volunteers (372-4415) for more information.

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Mrs. John F. Brown, Jr., Former President of the Friends, has been appointed to the SCPL Board of Trustees. Congratulations!

ACTIVE FALL PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN SCHEDULED

As you can see from the Calendar of Events on the first page of this newsletter, there many adult programs scheduled for the fall. The Children's Department offers an equally energetic schedule for young people.

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOURS for children 3-5 years old are scheduled for Mondays 11:30 A.M. and 1:30 P.M. and Tuesdays 10:00 and 11:00 A.M. and 1:30 and 2:30 P.M. Registration is required for all story hours except the 2:30 program. Registration may be done by phone to 374-4415, Children's Room, Central Library.

A useful booklet, "Welcome to the Pre-School Story Hour: Suggestions for parents of children 3 to 5 years old," is available from the Children's Room.

PRE-SCHOOL MOVIES for 3 to 5 year olds are held at 10:15 A.M. at the Meeting Room, Central Library on October 12, November 9, December 7 and January 18. Mothers must accompany their children. Tickets are required and may be obtained free the week before the film in person or reserved by telephone.

MOVIES FOR 6 to 11 YEAR OLDS will be shown at 3:45 P.M. on October 11, November 8, December 27, 28 and 29 and January 17 in the Central Library Meeting Room. The young people attend without parents. Tickets are required as for the Pre-school Movies.

Branches frequently offer storyhour and film programs. Check with your branch to see what is offered there.

COOKBOOKS FOR SALE BENEFIT
LIBRARY STAFF ASSOCIATION

The Staff Association of the SCPL has compiled a Potluck Cookbook of favorite recipes from the annual staff covered dish dinners. The Cookbook will be sold for \$1.00 to raise money for the Staff Association to support their projects which have included service to the library and the community.

If you need some inspiration for the kitchen or a gift for a friend and would like to support the Library's Staff Association at the same time, call Mrs. John Mahar to order your cookbook(s) ! 374-1046

DOORSTEPPING

(The following artical by Mrs. Lois Hodges of the Childrens Department appeared in the September Newsletter of the Library Staff Association. The Friends have supported the Doorstep projects by grants for paperback books and by recruiting volunteer storytellers.)

The good humor, camaraderie and deepening sunstans of staff and volunteers of the Childrens Department Doorstep Project led me to become an enthusiastic volunteer when a substitute was needed one August afternoon.

Fellow volunter Susanne Kimura and I planned to drive to the State Street Presbyterian Church, where the routes for Wednesday afternoon began...At the Church parking lot we met Janet Hutchison, Coordinator of the Doorstep Project and Jonathan Cassidy, storyteller. They brought their trademarks, two-wheeled shopping carts full of paperback books, hung with cowbells. Large signs on each declared:

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It looked like rain. Umbrellas went into the carts. As the others began a different route, Jon took me in tow and...I entered a completely unknown area of the city. We were to tell stories and help children exchange paperback back were to tell stories and help children exchange paperback books from Catherine and Moyston Streets on up through Hilderbrand, Eagle, Hawk and Maple Streets, a series of older city neighborhoods tucked between Vale Cemetery and State Street.

A veteran of two summers, Jon rang the cowbell and charmed the first group with "Three Billygoats Gruff." And the first sprinkling of rain began. Umbrella spread over the cart, stories continued under big-leaved maple trees while we hoped the rain would clear.

Impressions of the next few hours remain vivid:

- a porch full of faces intent on "Zeralda's Ogre,"
- eager little girls who followed from stop to stop to hear more, just one more,
- the wan face from a window of a little brother, who was sick and not allowed out, straining to see the pictures,
- sitting on a porch floor with a single three-year old, to shy to join a group, while two older brothers evesdropped behind the screen door,
- the friendly neighbor whose closed-in porch gave shelter to yet another story group when the rain came harder,
- the comfort of sandals, the wish for blue jeans for curb and porch sitting, the joy of old trees,
- the good humor of children on a rainy afternoon; not once a fight, whining or heckling.

The afternoon sped past. Damp on the outside, throats worn out, we returned to Liberty and Clinton. Over seventy children had heard stories, exchanged books, confided in us. I had no more sun tan then before and far less energy. But I had entered into the commitment and the fun of all who go doorstepping for the library. It was enormously worthwhile.

BOARD ACTIONS

At its June 5, 1972 meeting, the Friends Board allocated \$500 for paperback books for the 1972 Doorstep project, \$125 for support of the library in the County Jail, \$200 for a projector for the Central Library Meeting Room and up to \$150 to print a booklist of childrens books which was developed by the Library Childrens Room Staff and Headstart Staff and volunteers.

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CALENDAR OF LIBRARY EVENTS

- November 27 Table Talks on World Affairs. Dr. Robert Herman, Union College Dept. of Economics, will discuss, "The Enemy May Be Us." Meeting Room, Central Library - 12 noon.
- November 28 Duane Branch Family Film Festival at the Girls' Club: "The Nutcracker" and "The Christmas Cracker." Time - 7 P.M.
- November 29 Wednesday Noon Films: "Mikhali" and "Umbrella."
- December 4 Table Talks on World Affairs. Mrs. Pat Snyder, SUNYA, will discuss, "Children's Theater: An International Experience". Meeting Room, Central Library - 12 noon.
- December 11 Table Talks on World Affairs. Mr. Thomas Fox, VITA, will discuss "Volunteerism in International Technical Assistance". Meeting Room, Central Library - 12 noon.
- December 11 Friends of the Library Board Meeting. Board Room, Central Library. 8 P.M. Members welcome to attend.
- January 15 Books Sandwiched In. "800,000,000: The Real China" by Ross Terrell presented by Dr. Donald Thurston, Union College.
- January 22 Books Sandwiched In. "Herself" and "Standard Dreaming" by Hortense Calisher presented by Mrs. Harold Martin.
- January 29 Books Sandwiched In. "The New Chastity" by Madge Decter presented by Mrs. Thomas Eldridge.
- February 5 Books Sandwiched In. "George S. Kaufman" by Howard Teichman presented by Mrs. Morris Shapiro.
- February 26 Books Sandwiched In. "Albert Einstein: Creator and Rebel" by Banesh Hoffman presented by Dr. Henry Hurwitz.
- March 5 Books Sandwiched In. "John Thomas and Lady Jane" by D. H. Lawrence (the second version of Lady Chatterly's Lover) presented by Dr. Michael Shinagel.

TABLE TALKS CONTINUE

Table Talks on World Affairs will be held on Mondays, Nov. 27, Dec. 4 and 11, from 12:10 to 1:15, with a break before 1:00 to permit those who must leave to do so. These programs are all free and require no reservations. Sandwiches may be ordered by calling the Library between 9 and 10 a.m., the day of the program. The price of a sandwich and one cup of beverage is ninety-five cents. You may prefer to bring your own lunch and purchase a cup of tea or coffee for 10 cents. The topics are listed in the Calendar of Library Events on this page.

In the event of bad weather: if the Schenectady City Schools are closed, the meeting will be cancelled; otherwise, the meeting will be held.

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FUND FOR SHULMAN SCULPTURE BEGUN:
DONORS SOUGHT

"Ishmael," the orange painted iron sculpture by Arline Shulman, will be purchased by private funds to remain in its present location in the courtyard of the Library near the new Schenectady Police Station.

Cost of the purchase is \$1,900 with additional funds required to mount it permanently. The Friends of the Library are contributing \$300 toward the purchase and additional pledges have been made for over half the total cost of the purchase. Efforts are now being planned to raise the balance of the money needed.

Friends of the Library wishing to contribute may send a tax deductible check to Mrs. Dale Timberlake, Friends Treasurer, 1545 Lexington Parkway, Schenectady, 12309, payable to the Friends of the Schenectady County Library Sculpture Fund.

Mrs. Shulman is a graduate of the State University of New York in Albany and has studied at the Albany Institute of Art, SUNY at Albany and in Europe. She has done graduate work with Richard Stankiewicz and has won prizes at Albany and Schenectady regional shows. She has had one man shows at RPI, Emma Willard, Russell Sage, Williams College, Maryrose Art Center and Tanglewood.

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK ... E. Lenore White

1973 Budget: The total library budget for 1973, as recommended by the county manager and approved recently by the Board of Representatives, is \$1,191,609. The request for new equipment has been cut by \$225 and the book budget by \$11,000. Until C.S.E.A.-County negotiations have been completed, there is no report on the 1973 salary schedule.

Pashler/Fromageot Concert: A fine concert was presented recently to a standing-room-only audience by Marianne Pashler, violinist, Juana Fromageot, pianist, and Henri Fromageot, flutist. Voluntary contributions totaling \$217 were received from the listeners and presented to the library for the purchase of additional library material.

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An exhibit of paintings by Ernest Mills is at the Central Library through Dec. 1.

AMERICAN LITERATURE COURSE SCHEDULED

Prof. Carl Niemeyer will conduct a five-session course on American Writers Between Two Wars. The course, open to the public without charge, will be held Fridays at 3:00 p.m. from January 12 to February 9, in the Community Room of the Central Library. The Friends' Program Committee hopes that those interested will plan to attend all course sessions and do the suggested background reading.

Carl Neimeyer is professor emeritus of English at Union College, on whose faculty he served for twenty-six years, from 1946 until his retirement in 1972. While at Union he was chairman of the department of English, chairman of the division of humanities, and - for the last six years - Thomas W. Lamont Professor of Ancient and Modern Literature. He has lectured at St. Andrews University (Scotland) on American Literature and has been visiting professor in summer sessions at Trinity College (Hartford) and SUNY Albany. He is author of a book of translations of Rilke's prose, collaborator on a volume of freshman readings, and editor of Carlyle's lectures on heroes. His published articles include discussions of William Golding and James Joyce.

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AMERICAN LITERATURE COURSE SCHEDULED Continued . . .

The authors and the books to which reference will be made in the lectures are as follows:

January 12 - Ernest Hemingway, Spokesman of the Lost Generation

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| <u>The Sun Also Rises</u> 1926 | <u>In Our Time</u> 1930 |
| <u>Men Without Women</u> 1927 | <u>Winner Take Nothing</u> 1933 |
| <u>A Farewell to Arms</u> 1929 | <u>For Whom the Bell Tolls</u> 1940 |

Carlos Baker, Ernest Hemingway, A Life Story 1969

January 19 - T. S. Eliot, the American Poet in Exile

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| <u>Collected Poems</u> 1909-1962 | <u>For Lancelot Andrewes</u> 1928 |
| <u>The Sacred Wood</u> 1920 | <u>Murder in the Cathedral</u> 1935 |
| <u>The Cocktail Party</u> 1950 | |

January 26 - F. Scott Fitzgerald, Beautiful and Damned

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| <u>The Beautiful and Damned</u> 1922 | <u>The Last Tycoon</u> 1941 |
| <u>The Great Gatsby</u> 1925 | <u>The Crack-Up</u> 1945 |
| <u>Tender is the Night</u> 1934 | <u>The Stories of F. Scott Fitzgerald</u> 1951 |

Arthur Mizener, The Far Side of Paradise 1951

February 2 - Robert Frost, the American Poet at Home

- Complete Poems 1949 (also 1962, 1964)
- Lawrance Thompson, Robert Frost: The Early Years 1874-1915 (1966)
 Robert Frost: The Years of Triumph 1915-1938 (1970)

February 9 - William Faulkner of Jefferson, Mississippi

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| <u>Sartoris</u> 1929 | <u>Light in August</u> 1932 |
| <u>The Sound and the Fury</u> 1929 | <u>Absalom, Absalom</u> 1936 |
| <u>As I Lay Dying</u> 1930 | <u>The Portable Faulkner</u> 1946 |

Cleanth Brooks, William Faulkner: The Yoknapatawpha Country 1963

Olga Vickery, The Novels of William Faulkner 1964

Mrs. Herbert Poller, course chairman, will be glad to answer any questions about the course. To facilitate planning she would appreciate receiving advanced registrations on the form below. Please mail to Mrs. Herbert Poller, 1148 Rugby Road, Schenectady, 12308

I plan to attend the course on American Writers Between Two Wars.

Name:

Address:

Phone:

NYLA Conference: "Images - '72" was the theme of the annual conference of the New York Library Association held in Rochester from November 8-11. Eight librarians from the staff of SCPL and four librarians from MVLA libraries and the Service Center staff attended. Trustees who attended include Mrs. Charles Concordia, President of the Mohawk Valley Library Association's Board of Trustees (and a former president of the Friends), Mr. Richard K. Hamlen, MVLA Board, Mr. Ronald C. Dixon, President of the SCPL Board of Trustees and also a member of the MVLA Board, and Mrs. Deo Young, Fort Plain, a member of the MVLA Board.

Mr. Fred W. McChesney, former President of the SCPL Board of Trustees, former member of the MVLA Board of Trustees, and former member of the Friends' Board of Directors, received the Velma K. Moore Award for distinguished service to libraries. The citation mentioned Mr. McChesney's major role in securing a new central library building for the Schenectady County Public Library and also his work as a trustee of the Mohawk Valley Library Association, where he was president of the board for five years. The citation concludes: "In all his work, Mr. McChesney was sensitive to the feelings of those about him, patient, and appreciative. The libraries in the capital district are stronger because of his contributions and his associates in the system and the state are grateful for his work."

THANKS TO THE METROFAIR LIBRARY EXHIBIT VOLUNTEERS

The Friends express their appreciation to the volunteers who staffed the Library booth at the Metrofair at the Union College Fieldhouse, Sept. 28-30. The volunteers were Mrs. George Connelly, Miss Irene Dayton, Mrs. Thomas DeWan, Mrs. George Gould, Mrs. Peter Ipsen, Mrs. Lyman Johnson, Mrs. John Mahar, Mrs. R.D. Melin, Mrs. L.W. Niedrach, Mrs. Herbert Poller, Mrs. Carman Sabatello and Mrs. Wesley Vermilyea.

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CALENDAR OF LIBRARY EVENTS

- February 26 Books Sandwiched In sponsored by the Friends of the Library at noon in the Meeting Room of the Central Library. Dr. Henry Hurwitz will review Albert Einstein: Creator and Rebel by Banesh Hoffman. Open to the public free of charge. Sandwiches may be ordered by calling the Library (372-4415) between 9 and 10 a.m. the day of the program.
- 28 Wednesday Noon Films in the Meeting Room of the Central Library. No admission charge. Viewers may bring lunches and purchase beverages at the library. Program: Denmark, Fairy Tale Land, Norway, Northern Neighbor, and Yugoslavia.
- March 8 Feature Film Series film, "Bill of Divorcement," 8 p.m. in the Central Library Meeting Room. Open to the public. No charge.
- 12 Table Talks on World Affairs. Mr. Thomas Fox of VITA will discuss "Volunteerism in International Technical Assistance." Central Library Meeting Room, 12 noon.
- 15 Feature Film Series film, "Lady from Shanghai," will be shown at 8 p.m. in the Central Library Meeting Room.
- 19 Table Talks on World Affairs. Mr. Karl Scheffer will discuss "Observations in South Africa, 1972." Meeting Room, noon.
- 19 Friends of the Library Board Meeting. Board Room, Central Library at 8 p.m. Members are welcome to attend.
- 22 Feature Film Series film, "Notorious," will be shown at 8 p.m. in the Central Library Meeting Room.
- 26 Table Talks on World Affairs. Mr. S. Thyagaragan, regional planning executive, will discuss "What We Can Learn about Planning from Europeans." Central Library Meeting Room, noon.
- 29 Feature Film Series film, "Mr. Deeds goes to Town," will be shown at 8 p.m. in the Central Library Meeting Room.
- April 2 Table Talks on World Affairs. Dr. Byron Nichols, Union College will discuss "Problems of the Third World," noon, Meeting Room.
- 5 Feature Film Series film, "Bridge Over the River Kwai," will be shown at 8 p.m. in the Central Library Meeting Room.
- 9 Table Talks on World Affairs. Mr. Dwight Phaup, Union College, will discuss, "Impact of Multi-National Firms on World Politics," Central Library Meeting Room, noon.
- 12 Feature Film Series film, "Rebecca," will be shown at 8 p.m. in the Central Library Meeting Room.

N.B. Planning session for April-June, 1973 Books Sandwiched In series Wednesday, February 21, noon, Board Room, Central Library. All who attend these meetings are urged to contribute their ideas.

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LIBRARY WELCOMES VOLUNTEER HELP

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Do you have a flexible schedule? If so, you may be interested in helping the Library regularly a few hours a week. Several volunteers are needed at the Library for non-public projects, which include work such as filing index cards. Whether you are an adult or teenager and you are interested, call the following persons for more information: Mrs. Gladys Karlin, Central Library, 372-4415, ext. 38 or Mrs. Dorothy Mahar, 374-1046.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON STORYTIME OPEN

The Tuesday 2:30 p.m. Story Time for pre-school children is an open program. Adults are invited to bring 3-5 year old children whenever possible to the Central Library Children's Room program.

The Library holds many other story hours for children, but advance registration is required. Further information on the story hour times may be obtained by calling the Central Library, 374-4415, and asking for the Children's Room.

FEATURE FILM SERIES TO BE HELD

A series of six adult films have been arranged for by the Library and are sponsored by the Friends. The films will be classics from the twenties, thirties, and forties. The films will be shown on Thursday evenings during March and April at the Central Library Meeting Room. Each program is free and open to the public. Film titles, dates and times are listed in the calendar on page 1.

TABLE TALKS ON WORLD AFFAIRS

The Spring series of Table Talks on World Affairs will be given on Mondays from mid-March to mid-April. Dates and topics are listed on page 1 in the Calendar.

As always, Table Talks are open to the public without charge. Meetings are from 12:10 to 1:15 with a break before 1:00 to permit those who must leave to do so. Sandwiches may be ordered by calling the Library between 9 and 10 a.m. on the day of the program.

FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP GROWING

The membership of the Friends is at a new high with 779 members, reports Mrs. George Connelly, Membership Chairman. If you know of persons interested in membership, they can call Mrs. Connelly at 393-5674 for information and a membership form.

CONFERENCE FUNDS ALLOCATED

The Friends have allocated \$350 for which library staff may apply for aid to attend professional conferences. Guidelines for application procedures have been developed by Miss Ruth Ann Evans, Mrs. Peter Ipsen, Mrs. Janet Hutchison (President of the Library Staff Association), and Miss E. Leonore White, Library Director.

FRIENDS NOMINATING COMMITTEE SET

The Nominating Committee has been appointed to select a slate of officers and seven directors for next year. Members of the Committee are: Mrs. Ronald Wilson, Chairman; Mrs. George Connelly, Mr. William McColl, Dr. Louis Navias and Mrs. Dale Timberlake.

NIEMEYER COURSE A SUCCESS

In January and February, the Friends sponsored an American Literature course taught by Prof. Carl Niemeyer. The 5-session course drew over 125 registrants. Mrs. Herbert Poller was course chairman.

YOUR LIBRARY NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

To help the Schenectady County Public Library obtain necessary funds for future library services, we urge you to write to your New York State senator and assemblyman asking for their support of the following bills:

...SENATE BILL S-638
Sponsored by Senator John Marchi

...ASSEMBLY BILL A-683
Sponsored by Assemblywoman Constance Cooke

These bills would:

1. Greatly increase the state support of library systems, including the Mohawk Valley Library Association which serves Schenectady County.
2. Increase the central library (Schenectady County Public Library) annual grant from \$15,000 to \$50,000.
3. Increase from 3,000 to 3,500 the titles which could be purchased annually by the central library from state funds.

...SENATE BILL S-2393

...ASSEMBLY BILL A-1688

These bills would increase the aid given to the 3R's program, including the Capital District Library Council which provides a messenger service and location of library materials for interlibrary loan to all borrowers in the Mohawk Valley area.

WRITE TO:

The Honorable Mary Anne Krupsak Upper Shaper Avenue Canajoharie, New York 13317	(Senator)
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The Honorable Clark C. Wemple 1760 Van Antwerp Road Schenectady, New York 12309	(Assemblyman, 107th District: includes all of Schenectady County except area covered by Mr. Cook.)
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The Honorable Charles D. Cook 19 Prospect Street Delhi, New York 13753	(Assemblyman, 105th District: includes Duaneburg, Princetown, Rotterdam and 10th Ward, 3rd, 5th and 6th district of Schenectady)
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(The above information was prepared by the Schenectady County Public Library, February, 1973. For more information, ask at the Reference Desk.)

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Glenn Burrows, former First Vice President of the Board of the Friends, a gift of books in the field of education has been given to the Library.

ADVENTURES IN RHYTHM WITH ELLA JENKINS IN SCHENECTADY

It is our good fortune to have been able to arrange a visit from Ella Jenkins, song writer and recording artist, whose specialty is songs and rhythm of childhood. She will be at the Central Library May 1 and 2 to present a concert and workshops on rhythm and folk singing teaching techniques. The workshops will be of special interest to volunteers, paraprofessionals and teachers who work with children. The Friends will sponsor this event for the community.

Miss Jenkins who received her B.A. degree from San Francisco State College in sociology worked with youth before beginning free lance work, devoting full time to singing, playing Latin American percussion instruments and later the baritone ukelele and the tenor guitar and conducting Rhythm Workshops through the United States, Canada and Europe.

A member of the Song Writers Hall of Fame, A.S.C.A.P., International Platform Association, American Federation of Musicians, and the Music Educators National Conference, Miss Jenkins is the author of This is Rhythm and The Ella Jenkins Songbook for Children. She is author, arranger and singer of the film series, "The Me Too Show." She is listed in Who's Who of American Women (1972-73).

Further information will be given later. You may wish to save these dates.

EXHIBITS AT THE CENTRAL LIBRARY

(Hours: Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.)

- Feb. 13-26 From Patent to Invention
- Through Feb. 23 Paintings by Virginia Mills
- Feb. 24 -April 26 Paintings by Pat Shepherd
- Feb. 26-Mar. 19 Japanese Prints

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- 9 Table Talks on World Affairs. Dwight Phaup, Union College will discuss "Impact of Multi-National Firms on World Politics." Central Library Meeting Room at noon.
- 11 Wednesday Noon Films: "Lake District," "Versailles" and "String Bean," films of England and France. Noon in Meeting Room.
- 12 Feature Film Series. "Rebecca" will be shown at 8 p.m. Meeting Room. Free and open to public.
- 16 Table Talks. Rev. James Miller, Emmanuel Baptist Church, will conduct a "Middle East Seminar." Meeting Room at noon.
- 17 Friends' Annual Meeting and Dinner. See page 3.
- 18 Wednesday Noon Films. The many faces of Canada will be shown in four films: "Big Banff Country," "Bluenose Shore," "Charlevoix," and "Minawanamut." Viewers may bring lunch.
- 23 Books Sandwiched In. Dr. David Potts, Union College History Dept., will review Inequality: A Reassessment of the Effect of Family and Schooling in America by Christopher Jencks. Noon, Meeting Room.
- 25 Wednesday Noon Films. Everyday life in Paris, London and New York will be depicted in "Bread of Paris," "Terminus" and "Greenwich Village." Meeting Room. Noon.
- 26 Chamber Music Concert. To be presented by a group of high school students. 8:15 p.m. Meeting Room.
- 30 Books Sandwiched In. Dr. Harold Blodgett, Retired Union College Professor of English will review The Clocks of Columbus: The Literary Career of James Thurber by Charles S. Holmes. Noon.
- May 7 Books Sandwiched In. Mrs. Janet Seery will review Blackberry Winter: My Earlier Years by Margaret Mead. Noon. Meeting Room.
- 14 Books Sandwiched In. Dr. Robert Sharlet, chairman of the Dept. of Political Science at Union College will review Memoirs, Vol. 2 (1950-63) by George Kennan. Noon. Meeting Room.
- 21 Books Sandwiched In. Thomas Kerschner of the Economics Dept. at Union College will review The Politics of the Guaranteed Income: The Nixon Administration and the Family Assistance Plan by Daniel P. Moynihan. Noon. Meeting Room.
- June 4 Books Sandwiched In. Mrs. Selden Crary of Schenectady Department of Adult Education will review The Sunlight Dialogues by John Gardner. Noon. Meeting Room.
- 11 Books Sandwiched In. Mrs. Robert Fleming of the Open Door Bookshop will discuss "Books Children Choose" and give suggestions for summer reading for young people. Noon. Meeting Room.

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BOOKS SANDWICHED IN

Mrs. T. A. Rich, chairman of the Books Sandwiched In series, reports that the Spring series will begin April 23. These popular programs will be held on consecutive Monday noons through June 11. All programs are held in the Meeting Room at the Central Library. Discussions are over by 1:15 p.m. but those who must leave earlier are given an opportunity. The books and those who will present the program are listed in the Calendar on page 1.

All programs are free and open to the public. Sandwiches may be brought from home or ordered by telephoning the Central Library, 372-4415, between 9 and 10 a.m. on the day of the meeting. Tea and coffee are also available.

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK
 ...E. Leonore White

National Library Week 1973: The library staff has planned many demonstrations and exhibits of arts and crafts, at both the central library and the branches during National Library Week, April 9-14. A complete calendar of events is included with the newsletter. The theme chosen is "BE A SOMEBODY...READ" and many booklists have been prepared to complement the various exhibits and demonstrations.

Library Outreach Programs: Plans had been made for a federally funded outreach program for the library to provide a librarian and a coworker to

work with groups in the disadvantaged areas of the city, as well as with groups who are unaware of what the library has to offer them. It is unfortunate that President Nixon's budget has eliminated all Library Services and Construction Act funding and that the request for the funding of the project was turned down. In an effort to utilize our own resources to reach beyond the library walls, Mrs. Bertha Kriegler has been appointed outreach librarian on a part-time basis. Mrs. Kriegler is now working Tuesday mornings at the Living Center of the Washington Irving School, where she has established a collection of paperback adult and children's books for the people using the center. Many of these people have never used the public library, and this is a first introduction for them. In addition to her work with the Living Center, Mrs. Kriegler will be working on Thursday mornings at the Schenectady County Jail Library, which is now staffed by volunteers. Work has already begun on weeding and making the collection a more workable and attractive unit for the prisoners.

Board of Trustees: The Schenectady County Board of Representatives has appointed Hugh M. Flynn of Scotia and Frank Rapant, Jr., of Esperance to five year terms, expiring December, 1977 on the SCPL Board of Trustees. The 1973 officers of the Library Board are: Ronald C. Dixon, President; Donald P. Hirshorn, Vice President; and Miss Virginia Rae Forster, Secretary.

Mohawk Valley Library Association: Mr. Anthony Messineo began his duties as Deputy Director of MVLA on March 1, 1973. Mr. Messineo had been Director of the North Tonawanda Public Library since 1968 and was Executive Director of the NY Library Association National Library Week Committee for 1972.

CHILDREN'S FILM PROGRAM

"Peter Rabbit and The Tale of Beatrix Potter" will be shown April 25 at 2 and 7 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Call the Children's Room for ticket information.

ALL MEMBERS INVITED TO ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER, April 17

The Friends Annual Meeting will be held Tuesday, April 17, at the Unitarian Society, 1221 Wendell Avenue. A social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m., dinner will be at 7 p.m., followed by the speaker at 8:15.

The speaker for the evening will be of great interest to the Friends as he is Mr. Robert J. Flores, Chief of the Bureau of Public Library Services of the NYS Education Department. He will speak on "The Federal-State Relation in Public Library Financing -- Implications and Concerns for 1973."

Other events of the evening will include:

- ..election of officers and members of the Board for 73-74
- ..honoring of a most distinguished volunteer of the year
- ..presentation of gifts to the Library from the Friends
- ..recognition of library staff completing 20 years of service.

Please make reservations for the dinner on the form below by April 12. If you cannot attend the dinner you are most welcome to join the group for the program at 8:15 p.m. in the Emerson Room. No reservations are needed.

Report of the Nominating Committee

President: Mrs. Peter G. Ipsen
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Nominees for the Board are:

For a second term:
Bruce Laumeister
David Yates

New members:

Mrs. Howard Hart (Emily) Involved in Girl Scouts, especially interested in biology
Mrs. R. T. Henke (Ginny) Friends Newsletter editor this year.
Mrs. Leonard Niedrach (Alice) Past Coordinator Jail Library Volunteers
Ms. Elisabeth Quinn. Insurance broker and real estate agent with Time Assoc.
Ross Sentz. Mechanical Engineer with G.E. Gas Turbine Dept.
W. D. Williams. Retired GE engineer with experience with church bookshop.

Respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee:

Mrs. Ronald Wilson, Chm., Mrs. George Connelly, Mr. William McColl, Dr. Louis Navias and Mrs. Dale Timberlake

Please reserve _____ Places in my name for the Friends of the Library dinner (ham with tuna casserole available) on Tuesday, April 17, at the Unitarian Society.

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ @ \$2.75 per person.

Name _____

Address _____

Make checks payable to: Friends of the Schenectady County Public Library

Mail to: Mrs. William McColl, 1380 Clifton Park Road, Schenectady 12309

Reservation Deadline: April 12

**CONFERENCE ON REVENUE SHARING
TO EXPLORE FUTURE OF LOCAL FUNDING**

A public conference on revenue sharing and its local impact will be presented by governmental officials on Saturday, April 14, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Schenectady County Community College. A \$2 registration fee will cover the cost of lunch.

The program will include workshops on areas of concern and future possibilities will be explored. Library funding is one area specifically mentioned as part of general revenue sharing that has been received by the County. As federal funds for libraries decline, it may become necessary to seek funds from local legislative bodies.

The conference will be jointly sponsored by the Urban Fellows, the Chamber of Commerce and other community groups.

ELLA JENKINS SINGS FOR FAMILIES

Enclosed is information about three workshops and a concert to be given by the talented and entertaining Miss Ella Jenkins. Friends of the Library may be especially interested in attending the Family Concert to be held Tuesday, May 1, 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 in the Meeting Room of the Central Library.

The program includes songs, chants and rhythms, especially designed for audience participation. The result her "call and response" technique is learning in the guise of fun.

The events are sponsored by the Friends of the Library and Mrs. George C. Gould is in charge of the planning and arrangements. A reservation form is enclosed for the workshops. The concert is open to the public at no charge.

*Friends Annual Meeting - April 17
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SUMMER DOORSTEP PROJECT NEEDS VOLUNTEER STORYTELLERS

This opportunity requires a few hours one day a week for ten weeks, beginning June 25. Experience is not necessary; a short training course will be given. The volunteer and a member of the library staff walk a planned route in the city, with a shopping cart filled with paperback books, stopping to tell stories and help children to exchange books. This is a rewarding opportunity for persons who like children and the out-of-doors, and the project brings the Library and some of its resources to children who are not regularly served by Library programs. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please call Mrs. Janet Hutchison, Children's Librarian at the Central Library (372-4415).

A MEETING ON TABLE TALKS -- June 18

On June 18 at noon in the Community Room of the Library there will be a meeting to consider dissolution of the Table Talks on World Affairs as a separate entity, and the inclusion of the two five or six week series as part of the program of the Friends. A letter has been sent to all organizations that have participated previously. These organizations would become co-sponsors of the Table Talks, and would be relied upon for assistance in programing and hospitality. The possibility of covering domestic affairs in addition to world affairs will be discussed. The intention is to broaden support for the Table Talks, and insure wider participation in organization and planning, at the Monday noon meetings, which will alternate with Books-Sandwiched-In as usual next year.

Call Mrs. T. A. Rich (346-7995) for further information.

SUMMER CLOSING

The Central Library and all agencies will be closed on Saturdays, beginning on June 16. Saturday operations will be resumed on September 8.

BOOK SALE - Oct. 13 - RAIN OR SHINE

Volunteers from the Friends of the SCPL are making possible for the first time, a sale of books that are library discards and duplicates in both hard cover and paperback. Prices of the books will range from ten cents to one dollar. The profit will go to the library for the book fund.

Friends of the Library may donate recent best sellers and non-fiction to the sale. Donated books should be clearly marked for the book sale and should be taken to the information desk at the Central Library anytime between now and mid-September. Also, Friends may help by saving cardboard boxes that can be used for displaying books at the sale.

The Book Sale will be Saturday, October 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Schenectady County Public Library at the corner of Liberty and Clinton Streets.

The steering committee for the Book Sale are Mrs. Bruce Laumeister and Mrs. James Bigelow, co-chairmen, Miss Adele Brown, from the Library Staff, Miss Irene Dayton, Mrs. John Mahar, Mrs. John Brown, Miss Ruth Anne Evans, Mrs. Dale Timberlake, and Mrs. Paul Frank.

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Annual Meeting Recognitions

During the Friends Annual Meeting on April 17 recognition was given to Miss Marilyn Huston for twenty years of service with the library Acquisitions and Processing Department, and to Mrs. Harrison Beale, a library trustee for twelve years, for her outstanding volunteer service. The Friends are giving a gift of books to the library in Mrs. Beale's honor.

MESSAGE FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT

In keeping with the Friends' goals of developing "an informed interest in the library services, facilities, and needs of the Schenectady County Public Library" and supporting "all extensions of library services in the county," we look forward to another year of continued growth . . .

. . . in membership

About 700 members were reported at the end of April, 1973; this April membership passed the 800 mark.

. . . in program

A series of western films will be sponsored by the Friends this summer, with other film series under consideration for the rest of the year.

The Monday noon series, Books-Sandwiched-In, will continue next fall under the able guidance of Mrs. T. A. Rich, and two other series will be presented before the year is out. The Table Talks on World Affairs will be reorganized (see page one), and may be presented under the auspices of the Friends. Three literary courses are planned, each one focusing on a different phase of literature, and offered at a different time of day.

. . . in outreach

The Doorstep book cart will be seen on Hamilton Hill, at Steinmetz Homes, and at Yates Village again this summer. Funds from the Friends will make possible new paperback books and a student assistant, but volunteer story tellers are needed too (see page one)

The Jail Library is in operation under the part-time direction of Mrs. Bertha Kriegler, staff librarian, and Mrs. Jane Wylen, coordinator of volunteers. The Friends are providing support in the form of funds for paperback books and supplies.

. . . in volunteers

The Friends are actively seeking volunteers to do clerical work behind the scenes at the Library, such as shelving, filing index cards, and typing. Volunteers contributed 3082½ hours last year, enabling trained Library staff to serve the public better. Call Mrs. John Beverley, Friends Chairman of Volunteers (374-2333) or Mrs. Gladys Karlin, Library Coordinator of Volunteers (372-4415) for more information.

With an able Board and responsive public, I look forward to another successful and interesting year for all members of the Friends.

Joan Ipsen

CALENDAR OF LIBRARY EVENTS

June 1973

EXHIBITS AT THE CENTRAL LIBRARY, Liberty & Clinton Streets

Hours: Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m.

- Exhibit of paintings by Ann Feuer through June 29
- Articles from Japan lent by Mr. and Mrs. Donald S. Rodbell of Burnt Hills, thru June 27
- "Old Schenectady in Photographs" from the collection of Morris Gerber

EXHIBITS AT THE DUANE BRANCH LIBRARY, 1138 State Street

Hours: Monday through Friday from 2-9 p.m.

- "Freedom to Read" window display
- "Bach is Big" - exhibit about Johann Sebastian Bach

EXHIBITS AT THE WINGATE BRANCH LIBRARY, 2558 Guilderland Avenue

Hours: Monday through Friday from 2-9 p.m.

- Display of a hubcap collection lent by Harold Lohner and Bill Williams
- Cub Scouts' display of midget racers

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOURS

- Mondays • 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at the Central Library, Liberty & Clinton Streets
- Tuesdays • 10 a.m. at the Pleasant Valley Branch Library, 1006 Crane Street
• 10 a.m. at the Wingate Branch Library, 2558 Guilderland Avenue
• 10 and 11 a.m. and 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. at the Central Library, Liberty & Clinton Streets
- Wednesdays • 10 and 11 a.m. at the Scotia Branch Library, 14 Mohawk Avenue, Scotia

SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

- June 26 • STORIES FOR 6-11 YEAR-OLD CHILDREN, 1:15 p.m. at the Wingate Branch Library, 2558 Guilderland Avenue
- June 27 • FILM PROGRAM FOR 6-11 YEAR-OLD CHILDREN at the Central Library, Liberty and Clinton Streets
- June 28 • FILM PROGRAMS FOR 6-11 YEAR OLDS at the Wingate Branch Library, 2558 Guilderland Avenue, at 1:15 and 2:30 p.m. To be shown:
"Giuseppina" and "The Magic Tree"
• FILM PROGRAM FOR 6-11 YEAR OLDS at the Pleasant Valley Branch Library, 1006 Crane Street, at 2 p.m.
- June 29 • PROGRAM FOR 6-11 YEAR-OLD CHILDREN at 10 and 11 a.m. at the Scotia Branch Library, 14 Mohawk Avenue, Scotia.

OTHER EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

- June 20 • WEDNESDAY NOON FILM PROGRAM in the Meeting Room of the Central Library, Liberty & Clinton Streets. No admission charge. Program: "Teveye", "Jerusalem, Center of Many Worlds" and "Windows"

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