



# LIBRARY NOTES

Shelter Island, New York ~ Fall 2010

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## Friends of the Library Swell Lower Level Renovation Fund With Summer Tent Events, Plan First 'Turkey Plunge'

Events Under the Tent held in July by The Friends of the Shelter Island Public Library attracted 350 attendees and raised almost \$5,000 in support of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fund. Proceeds from book sales by the 40 authors who sold their works to benefit the library totaled \$4,200, and 20 Community Yard Sale table rentals and related donations raised another \$700, bringing the total raised to date to about \$10,000.

"Our anniversary events this year have been a great success," says Friends Chairman Sue Hine, "so next year we will hold our second annual art and photo shows, Book & Author Festival, and Community Tag Sale while continuing our traditional book sales and Book & Author Luncheon.

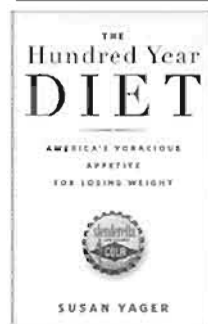
"We'll also be introducing some exciting new events," she says. "For example, this Thanksgiving we're planning our first Crescent Beach Turkey Plunge at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 27, asking intrepid Shelter Islanders to get wet for the library and 'dip for dollars' by signing up their friends as sponsors to benefit the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fund." Details and more information will be announced later on.

Sue also urges Islanders who have not yet done so to remember to cash in on the library's very special 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary items: beach towels (\$30), book bags (\$10), and mugs (\$5), all still available at the library: "Be sure to get your beach towel for our very first Turkey Plunge!"

Another Friends first took place on August 27 when the newly reorganized group held its first annual meeting, electing up to six directors and reporting to members on activities, finances, and future plans. Watch your e-mail and the library website for news and information on the results of this important event, which occurred too late to meet our newsletter deadline. 📖

## Fall Dialogues Focus on Dieting, Local Landmark

This fall, the library's resoundingly successful, routinely standing-room-only series of Friday Night Dialogues, sponsored by the Betsy Jacobson Memorial Fund, stars Shelter Islanders discussing Americans' often astonishing attitudes about eating and century-old stories of a local historic landmark. Free and open to the public, all presentations begin at 7:00 p.m. downstairs in the library and are followed by a Q&A and light refreshments.



**The Hundred Year Diet**  
October 22 📖 Susan Yager

Obesity has reached epic proportions in the U.S., a trend that has literally ballooned since 1980. Some studies say 70 percent of Americans are now overweight to obese. How did it happen? Islander Susan Yager, an instructor in NYU's Department of Nutrition, Food Studies, & Public Health who writes on food and health for print and online publications, spent the last seven years researching the fascinating history of Americans' obsession with dieting. The result is her brand-new book, "The Hundred Year Diet: America's Voracious Appetite for Losing Weight," chosen as a notable book by both the *Los Angeles Times* and the *Chicago Tribune*.



Forty Shelter Island authors contributed books to the first Book & Author Festival under the tent on July 11, raising \$4,200 to benefit the library renovation fund.



## Tales of Taylor's Island

November 12  
P.A.T. Hunt



One of the Town of Shelter Island's most prized possessions is tiny Taylor's Island, located just offshore in Coecles Harbor. This little islet and its historic Smith-Taylor log cabin, built around 1900 by "the Borax King," Frank Smith, was later given to the town by S. Gregory Taylor "for the use and enjoyment of the general public."

Pat Hunt and her cohorts on the Taylor's Island Foundation, created in 2006, are working to restore and preserve this charming site, now registered on both the New York State and the National Registers of Historic Places. She will describe its colorful history and the ongoing work of the Foundation and the Taylor's Island Preservation & Management Committee. 📖

## Special Holiday Book Sales

Although our weekly summer book sales have ended, this fall two special holiday sales will be held in the library's lower level: on Saturday, October 9, on the Columbus Day weekend and Saturday, November 27, the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 📖

## 2011 Library Budget Vote October 16

The library's proposed 2011 budget—including a requested total tax increase of just \$16,750 for the year—will be presented and explained in a public information meeting on Monday, October 4, at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

Voter registration for anyone not already registered to vote on the island will also be held in the library on Thursday, October 7, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The budget vote will be at the library Saturday, October 16, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Copies of the proposed budget will be available on request at the library about a month before that. ☑



# Kids Korner



## Weekly Story Times for Tots

### Story Time with Mollie Numark

Ages 2 and 3

Tuesdays, 11:20 a.m. to noon,  
October 12 to November 30



### Stories & More

Age 3 and up

Books, crafts, and fun!  
Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.

## September

### Family Movie Matinee

All ages; best for 5 to 10

### "Diary of a Wimpy Kid"

(Rated PG, 120 minutes)

From the illustrated novel by Jeff Kinney,  
the comical misadventures of a preteen.

Saturday, September 18, at 2:00 p.m.

### AUTUMN B○○K BINGO

All ages

Play Bingo! Win books!

Wednesday, September 29, at 3:00 p.m.

## October

### Plant a Pine Tree

Decorate a little pot and  
plant a pine seed, then  
watch your pine tree  
grow!

Saturday, October 9,  
at 2:00 p.m.



### GO GREEN

with creativity!

Recycle for Art!

with artist & author **Joyce Raimondo**

Grades K-5

In a fun-filled slide show, discover how  
Picasso, Calder, and other famous artists  
turned throwaway things into amazing  
masterpieces. Then create your own  
whimsical Picasso-inspired face using  
100% recycled toys, trinkets, bottle caps,  
beads, buttons, and more!

Wednesday, October 13, at 3:00 p.m.



### LEGO CLUB

Grades K-5

Come build a castle,  
a cabin, a robot—  
or make something up!

Wednesdays, October 27–November 17,  
3:00–4:00 p.m.

### Pumpkin Painting



All ages

Pick out a pumpkin and paint it  
with a funny or eerie face for Halloween!

Saturday, October 30, at 2:00 p.m.

## November

### Movie Matinee



### "How to Train Your Dragon"

(2010, rated PG, 98 minutes)

Saturday, November 6, at 2:00 p.m.

### GIZMO GUYS

All ages

Dazzling technique and  
infectious humor are the  
trademarks of rapid-fire  
jugglers Allan Jacobs and  
Barrett Felder.

Thursday, November 11,  
at 10:00 a.m.

at the Southold Recreation Center

Sponsored by 4EC



### SATURDAY B○○K BINGO

All ages

Join us for Bingo and win books!  
Saturday, November 20, at 2:00 p.m.

### Be a library fan on

**facebook**

Get news and updates on  
the latest library events, plus photos, comments,  
and more! Click on FACEBOOK on our website.

Theatreworks USA Presents

### The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe

This enchanting musical  
is based on the C. S.  
Lewis story of four  
children in wartime  
England who acci-  
dentally enter the land  
of Narnia through a  
magic wardrobe.



Saturday, November 27, at 2:00 p.m.  
at the Greenport School



## TEEN ISLE



Grades 6-12

### Movie & Munchies

### "Iron Man 2"

(2010, PG-13, 124 minutes)

Action and adventure from  
the Marvel comic book,  
plus an afternoon snack!

Friday, October 1, 4:45 p.m.



## TEEN READ WEEK

### Books with Beat

October 17-23

This fall, write a review of your favorite  
book. Entries will be entered in a Teen  
Read Week Raffle and included in a  
Teen Read Week Bibliography.  
Entries due **Saturday, October 9**

## Shelter Island Poetry Project Presents 'Picture This,' 'Big Poetry'

The Shelter Island Poetry Project under the direction of **Bliss Morehead** continues its series of Sunday afternoon readings at **3:00 p.m.** with two presentations this fall.

On **September 19**, poems on the arts—painting, photography, sculpture, dance, and film—will be read in "Picture This: Poetry, Art, and the Movies." Bliss calls it "a virtual tour of some of the liveliest, wittiest, most interesting poems on art, also known as ekphrastic poetry."

On **November 14**, the topic will be "Big Poetry: Poems from *The New Yorker's* Archives, 1920s to 2010." 📖

## College Prep Sessions Focus on Understanding Financial Aid

Islander **Dr. Richard O'Connell** will guide high school juniors and seniors and their parents through the mysteries of college financial aid and applying for scholarships, grants, and state and federal assistance, answer attendees' questions, and help fill out required forms on **Thursdays, October 14, 21, and 28**, from 7:00 to 8:15 p.m.

Dr. O'Connell, a New York State Counselor of the Year and award-winning author, held a series of presentations on writing college essays at the library in August. These programs are cosponsored by the library and the Shelter Island Educational Foundation in cooperation with the Shelter Island School District. Space is limited; please preregister by phone or at the library. 📖

## 'Island Voices' Book Still Available

Copies of **Carol Galligan's** "Island Voices" are still available for \$20 at the library. The 196-page book, published in a limited edition to benefit the library, features stories and photographs from 1655 to 2010. 📖

## Shelter Island Public Library Leadership Circle

A huge vote of thanks goes to the Shelter Islanders listed below, who so generously supported the library this past year as members of our distinguished Leadership Circle.

These dedicated donors have raised more than \$20,000 for the library's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lower Level Renovation Fund. Now, at the height of our anniversary celebrations, we again ask the community to participate in this important initiative. Please join and become a 2010-11 Leader with a gift of \$500 or more. Credit card donations may be made on the library website.

### 2009-10 Leadership Circle

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## Defensive Driving Course

On **Saturday, September 25**, at **9:00 a.m.** the library will again hold a DMV-approved Defensive Driving Course that can reduce auto insurance and take points off licenses for drivers of all ages. The \$45 fee is payable to the instructor on the day of the day-long course; bring lunch or a snack. Advance registration is required. 📖

## More Great Movies This Fall On Tuesdays at the Library



Every other Tuesday at 7:00 p.m., the library is the place to be for Great Movies Known & Unknown on the big screen, with free popcorn! This fall's features:

### September 28: *To Kill a Mockingbird* (1962)

This winner of 3 Academy Awards is as powerful today as 50 years ago, with Gregory Peck's fine performance and Robert Duvall's screen debut.

### October 12: *Meeting Venus* (1991)

Glenn Close as a diva in a sendup of grand opera, with biting satire and beautiful music.

### October 26: *All the King's Men* (1949)

One of the great screen depictions of political life from Robert Penn Warren's book, with Broderick Crawford as the corrupt Willie Stark; two Oscars.

### November 9: *The Return of Martin Guerre* (1982)

Gerard Depardieu in one of his greatest roles, set in medieval France; in French with subtitles.

### November 23: *The Awful Truth* (1937)

Laughs aplenty from Cary Grant, Irene Dunne, and Ralph Bellamy in one of the all-time great American comedies, directed by Leo McCarey.

### December 7: *White Mischief* (1988)

A retelling of a famous murder case in Kenya, this excellent British film has an all-star cast. 📖

## Day by Day

### Tuesday

**Poetry Roundtable:** 4:00 p.m. weekly from September 21

**Windows for Beginners:** 5:30-7:00 p.m., September 14, October 19, November 16

### Wednesday

**Mah Jongg Club:** 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. weekly

### Thursday

**Scrabble Club:** 4:30 p.m. weekly

**Knitting Club:** 5:30 p.m. weekly

**Book Club:** Organizational meeting, 7:00 p.m. on September 16. All interested participants are invited to attend.

### Friday

**Chess Club:** 3:00 p.m. weekly; **new instructor needed!** Call the library to volunteer!

**Adult Computer Classes:** 5:30-7:00 p.m.  
September 24: Introduction to the Internet  
October 29: Introduction to Google  
November 19: Introduction to Word Processing

## IN THE DISPLAY CASE



September: *Antique Dolls*

October: **Button, Button, Who's Got the Button?**—Norma Camp



November: **The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of *To Kill a Mockingbird***, with interviews on its timeless message—Jackie Black

See coordinator **Jeanette Payne** in the library to suggest a theme or contribute to a display.

## From the Director's Desk

The Shelter Island Public Library will soon be opening a digital branch online in cooperation with our neighboring Suffolk County public libraries.

At [www.live-brary.com](http://www.live-brary.com), patrons will be able to use their computers at home or at the library to access a huge collection of digital online resources including music, videos, audio books, e-book downloads, live K-12 homework help, career guidance, college test prep, Ask a Librarian, and much more—all free.

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We invite you, your family, and your friends to stop by the library any time on or after September 21 for a personal demonstration of how you can *Go Live with Your Library*. Our helpful staff will be happy to guide you through our new digital branch at [www.live-brary.com](http://www.live-brary.com).


Remember, all you need is your library card to access all the many exciting and innovative digital features on [www.live-brary.com](http://www.live-brary.com)!

*Denise DiPaolo*, Library Director



**Spring 2010:** **front row**—Camryn Page, Ella Mysliborski, Justine Karen, Lily Garrison, Elizabeth Cummings, Jack Lang, Caitlin Binder; **second row**—Mary Dwyer, Lindsey Gallagher, Bianca Evangelista, Nick Cogan, Luke Gilpin, Daniel McCafferty; **third row**—Paulette Van Vranken, Laureen Dobson, Art Barnett, Karla Friedlich, Jerry Glassberg, Lois Morris, Jack Monhagan, Janet D'Amato, Roger McKeon, Bliss Morehead, Mollie Numark, Mel Mendelssohn.

## 2Rs4Fun Students and Mentors Continue Creative Collaboration

In 2008, Islander **Mary Dwyer** initiated a creative partnership to match third- and fourth-grade Shelter Island School students with adult mentors who have professional writing and education experience. On September 23 the fifth session of **2Rs4Fun** begins at the library as 12 new mentor/student pairs meet every Thursday afternoon to practice writing skills and produce and share creative writing booklets. The program, funded by the library in cooperation with the Shelter Island Educational Foundation, encourages youngsters to think of themselves as writers and authors. 

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## HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Please note that the library will be closed on

**Monday, September 6**, Labor Day

**Monday, October 11**, Columbus Day

**Thursday, November 11**, Veterans Day

**Thursday, November 25**, Thanksgiving Day



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