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Town Library



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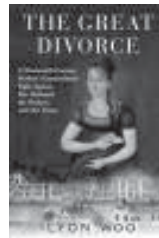
November 2011

Author Anna Solomon to Speak

Anna Solomon, the author of the new well-received book *The Little Bride*, will be here on Tuesday night November 1st at 7:00 PM. *BookPage* calls the novel "an unorthodox take on the Jewish migration tale." This debut novel is not about immigrants on the lower East Side of New York City but rather, a tale of the American West! The book has received numerous positive reviews across the country. Come and hear the story. Anna's appearance is cosponsored by UAlbany's Center for Jewish Studies. For more information about Anna and *The Little Bride* see Anna's web site at www.annasolomon.com (continued on page three)

Ilyon Woo Visit on November 6th

Don't forget Sunday, November 6th will be the culmination of our month-long series of discussions/reviews/talks/documentaries on the book *The Great Divorce: A Nineteenth Century Mother's Extraordinary Fight Against Her Husband, the Shakers, and Her Times* by Ilyon Woo. On that Sunday, Ilyon will be here at 2:00 PM to talk about her book. We hope you have enjoyed all of our events surrounding the book. Please join us for the finale!



Noon Author Talk: Ed Dague

Ed Dague will be here on Wednesday, November 9th to talk about his recent book *Six and Eleven: A Television Anchor's Story*. From the publisher: "Dague's book offers a sage and penetrating look at the news business in the Albany metro area, at the people and personalities who both made and reported that news and at how the news business has changed and continues to change. This book also offers insight into the personality and character of a man who was part of the daily routine of hundreds of thousands of Capital District residents who depended on him for a fair and balanced recitation of the events that affected their lives in myriad ways. Twice a day for decades, Ed Dague painted a picture for his audience of the world in which they lived. Now, he tells you what that world was like from his perspective." Bring your lunch if you're on lunch hour. Ed starts at 12:15 PM.

Celebrating the Revolutionary War Through Municipal Symbols

On Wednesday night, November 9th at 7:00 PM Marvin Bubie, a local expert on the history of, and the stories behind, municipal seals (town, city, and county), will present from his latest book *Celebrating the Revolutionary War: Municipal Symbols of a Free Country*. You may know Marvin from his previous books about municipal seals celebrating both our Dutch heritage and the Erie Canal. The new book contains over 200 city, town, and county municipal seals from 20 states that honor the Revolutionary War. Each seal is a mini-history lesson and/or mini-biography. (continued on page three)



IN MEMORIAM

Robert L. Jaquay, former director of the William K. Sanford Town Library

After retiring in 2008 after almost 29 years of service to Colonie's Town Library, Robert Jaquay passed away on September 21, 2011 at his home in Spring Hill, Florida. He accomplished much during his tenure as director overseeing programming, book discussion groups, renovations of the building and grounds including addition of a mezzanine to the library. He also introduced a government access television studio featuring many educational programs.

While in retirement he became active in his new community including starting a book discussion group, volunteering, and by using his interests and offering his skills as a reviewer of theater and film productions for the American Stage in St. Petersburg, Florida. He also served on the board of the Tampa Film Festival.

Holiday Schedule

November 8 (Election Day): CLOSED

November 11 (Veterans Day): CLOSED

Thanksgiving:

Wednesday, November 23: CLOSE at 5:00 PM

Thursday, November 24: CLOSED

Friday, November 25: CLOSED

PROGRAMS

To register for programs requiring reservations
please call the Information desk at 810-0314 (direct line).

- 1 **TUESDAY- Author Visit with Anna Solomon-** At 7:00 PM. (see story page one)
- 5 **SATURDAY- Northeastern New York Orchid Society-** The annual auction of 80-100 orchids of both common and unusual varieties. Preview of plants at 1:00 PM; auction begins at 1:30 PM.
- 6 **SUNDAY- The Great Divorce Finale Event: Author Talk with Ilyon Woo-** At 2:00 PM. (see story page one)
- 7 **MONDAY- Overdrive Downloadable Audiobooks-** Come in and learn the basics of downloading digital audiobooks from our free Overdrive service. You will learn the basics of the MP3 and WMA formats and how to search for and check out audio titles from our digital catalog (digitalcollection.uhls.org). In general, if you have an MP3 player, a PC, an Ipad or a smartphone you can download audiobooks free of charge using your library card number. We will then transfer the digital title to an MP3 device. The Overdrive service is free of charge to use, as long as you have a valid library card number. Feel free to bring your laptop and/or players so that we can practice after class. Class size is limited and registration is required. From 2:00-3:30 PM.
- 7 **MONDAY- Hudson Mohawk Bird Club: The Short-Eared Owls of the Ft. Edward Grassland IBA-** The Short-eared Owl is listed as an endangered species in New York State. This program will provide species description, distribution and habitat, status, management and needs for the Short-eared Owl. The species is being threatened by habitat destruction through the development of housing communities. Speaker Don Polunci will cover what can be done to help alleviate this problem. He is a retired Art Teacher, having taught for 32 years at Glens Falls High School. His work has been exhibited in Adirondack Life, New York Audubon and the National Wildlife Federation Annual Report. He is also the past president of the Southern Adirondack Audubon Society. At 7:00 PM.
- 9 **WEDNESDAY- Noon Author Talk: Ed Dague-** At 12:15 PM. (see story page one)
- 9 **WEDNESDAY- Celebrating the Revolutionary War Through Municipal Symbols with Marvin Bubic-** At 7:00 PM. (see story page one)
- 10 **THURSDAY- Christmas at Valley Forge-** A presentation by Louise Aitchison sponsored by the Mohawk Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Space is limited. At 6:00 PM. (Training/Conference Room)
- 10 **THURSDAY- Legal and Insurance Facts You Need to Know for Your Business-** Here is your special opportunity to get your questions regarding legal and insurance issues surrounding a new or existing business answered [FREE] from area experts. Legal and insurance preparations are the most critical issues that new businesses need to understand and act on the right way in the formative stages. SCORE-Counselors to America's Small Businesses, will present a panel discussion where you can ask about possible legal structures for your business and explore important patent, trademarks, and copyright and related issues. Included in the panel will be insurance advisors that can provide the answers to your questions that relate to business operations and required insurance coverage. Register by calling SCORE at 446-1118 x 233. At 6:30 PM.
- 12 **SATURDAY- Biofeedback, and Subtle Energy Skills for Eliminating Pain, Lifting Depression and Maintaining Weight Loss-** Biofeedback is the art and science of training the mind to positively influence the body to lower blood pressure, abort migraine headaches, eliminate pain and even increase hand and foot temperature...but these are just the physical results of biofeedback. In this class, through demonstration and discussion, we will be discussing basic biofeedback skills and discuss their relationship to the subtle energies of the body. As we come to experience ourselves as electrical powerhouses, not just dense physical matter, we learn how to more effectively direct our subtle energies as well. We will also be exploring how biofeedback is the science of intention and that learning how to focus our intention skillfully changes what we experience. The law of attraction will be briefly discussed. Bethany Gonyea, MS, Former Director of Biofeedback at the Albany TMJ & Facial Pain Center, has been teaching self-mastery skills for seventeen years, and has been certified by three independent organizations in Biofeedback. She runs a private biofeedback and subtle energy medicine practice in Clifton Park, NY and is the Director of the non-profit organization, Healing Springs. Reservations are required. At 10:30 AM.
- 14 **MONDAY- Overdrive Downloadable Ebooks-** Learn the basics of downloading digital ebooks from our free Overdrive service. You will learn the basics of the .pdf and .epub formats for digital ebooks and how to search for and check out titles from our digital catalog (digitalcollection.uhls.org). Downloadable Ebooks from our free Overdrive service can be transferred to PC's, Ipad's, and select eReaders, such as the Nook or Sony readers, as long as you have a valid library card number. Please note, the Kindle eReader is now compatible with the Overdrive downloadable service. Feel free to bring your laptop and/or eReader so that we can practice after class. Class size is limited and registration is required. From 2:00-3:30 PM.
- 14 **MONDAY- Hudson Valley Writers Guild Annual Meeting-** The Guild holds its annual meeting and elections. At 7:00 PM.
- 15 **TUESDAY- Albany Area Senior Orchestra Concert-** Come enjoy a performance by the Albany Area Senior Orchestra, a 50-piece orchestra of local senior musicians that inspires the young and old alike. This year's selections will include music by world famous composers Borodin, Dvorak, Handel and Rossini as well as medleys of folk songs, movie and show tunes, plus a march or two! At 2:00 PM.
- 15 **TUESDAY- The Story Circle of the Capital District-** The Story Circle was established to provide members an opportunity to tell before a live audience; to hear stories told; to give the community a roster of active tellers; and to encourage beginning storytellers. Members of the group tell tales to all ages at a variety of events and locations. Members of the public interested in learning more about storytelling or listening to stories are invited to attend. Call 786-1271 for information. At 7:00 PM.

AARP Safe Driving

Monday & Wednesday, November 14 & 16, from 9:30 AM-12:30 PM
Call Pat Latimer at 463-5221 for reservations.

Attendance is required at both sessions. There is a \$12 AARP member/ \$14 non member materials fee payable to AARP. Class size is limited and advance registration is required.

For information on other classes please call Pat Latimer at 463-5221.

Certain services and programs are adaptable to people with disabilities, upon request.
Please contact our Outreach Librarian at 458-9274 to discuss your accessibility needs.

15 **TUESDAY- Colonie Tuesday Night Live Poets' Corner-** Local poets and writers of all ages are invited to present six to ten minutes of their original work at this open reading forum. The public is encouraged to stop in and listen. Hosted by William Robert Foltin. Readings begin promptly at 7:00 PM. (Training/Conference Room)

19 **SATURDAY- Capital District Genealogical Society: Why Did They Come Here? Thinking About Your Family in Its Historical Context-** Speaker: Robert W. Arnold III (Co-Sponsor with Historical Society of the Town of Colonie). Family history and local history are pretty close to being the same thing and neither occurs in a vacuum. There are reasons that our literal or figurative ancestors did things that cannot be explained entirely by personal quirks, purely local causes, or by the putative courage and principles we probably ascribe to them. Our most personal histories – those of our families and our communities – often are influenced by events that happened very far away and sometimes very long ago. At their most interesting, infuriating and romantic, family and community history are sort of similar to chaos theory, in which the breeze from a butterfly's wings in some Amazonian rainforest may change the world. The Computer Group begins at 1:00 PM followed by social time at 2:00 PM. The speaker/program begins at 2:30 PM.

20 **SUNDAY- A Glimpse at Taiwanese and Chinese History through Coin Collections-** The U.S. /China Peoples Friendship Association presents a talk by Lawrence K. Wang, Ph.D.. At 2:00 PM.

21 **MONDAY- AARP of Colonie—Chapter 2873-** Program to be announced. At 1:00 PM.

21 **MONDAY- Project Safe Flight: Preventing Bird-Glass Collisions-** The Audubon Society of the Capital Region presents a talk about the affect of large expanses of window glass on bird safety. At 7:00 PM.

28 **MONDAY- Paddlers Rights in NYS: A 20-Year Update Since the Moose River Lawsuit-** In June, 1991 five paddlers challenged the posted section of the South Branch Moose River in the Western Adirondacks. The landowner sued the five paddlers and the case reached the Court of Appeals in 1998, sparking a change in the way the navigability of all NYS rivers is defined. The five paddlers will recount the nine years of litigation and an update of paddlers rights will be discussed. Presented by the Moose River Five. At 7:00 PM.

29 **TUESDAY- Workplace Bullying-** Bullying on all levels has become a common theme in this past decade. Bullying is impacting our society negatively from our children to adults in the workplace. In the last decade workplace bullying has been on the rise. In the media there have been several bullying cases that have led individuals to commit suicide. According to Washington State Department of Labor & Industries, they define workplace bullying as the repeated unreasonable actions of individuals (or a group) directed towards an employee, which are intended to intimidate, degrade, humiliate, or undermine; or which create a risk to the health or safety of the employee(s). (April 2011-Report # 87-2-2011) This presentation will educate individuals in the workforce utilizing PowerPoint, case scenarios, and other interactive activities to educate, equip, and empower HR professionals in providing support for the victims as well as the perpetrators of bullying. Speaker Kathleen McLean is an accomplished international facilitator, trainer, and motivational speaker. In addition to being a business owner, her background includes over 15 + years in the education, social work, and professional training field. Kathleen currently serves as President of The McLean Group, Vice-President of Sister To Sister Keeper Corporation (a not for profit organization), and is pursuing her second Master's Degree in Business Administration. A quote she lives by "To give anything less than your best is to sacrifice the gift." —*Steve Prefontaine*
At 7:00 PM.

29 **TUESDAY- Fiction Book Discussion Group-** This month the group discusses *Sharpe's Eagle* by Bernard Cornwell at 7:00 PM in the Youth Services Activity Room.

Friends of the Library News

The Friends of the William K. Sanford Town Library went on a shopping spree at the close of a highly successful summer season running the Book Nook at the Crossings and bought two new laptop computers for the library.

In addition, the organization has set aside an additional \$1,000 to which will be added proceeds from an annual fall book sale and new donations for its first "major contribution" to the library. The library staff puts together a "wish list" of items not funded through the budget that comes from the Town that the Friends use in deciding about gifts.

Members hope to being planning holiday and children's programming in conjunction with library staff as part of expanded 2012 plans.

The Friends are proud of contributions made possible by Book Nook proceeds during the past year that include the new key-ring book cards which have become popular at the Circulation Desk for just \$1. Never be caught without your library card again.

The organization is continuing to grow and is looking for more people interested in helping raise funds and serve the reading public especially children in Colonie. The Friends now have a presence in the form of a page on the library website as well as a Facebook site. Please look for us there and see our commercial on Channel 17.

Stay tuned for information about the giant upcoming fall sale or contact us if you have books or other material you'd like to contribute.

Contact the Friends Publicity Committee at Rosemary.armao@gmail.com

Knitting Group Dates

The knitting group will meet in the Youth Services Activity Room on Wednesdays, November 9 & 23 and Fridays, December 9 & 23 from 2:00-4:00 PM. For further information contact Gwen Gurien at 475-1470 or hgurien@nycap.rr.com .

Revolutionary War Symbols continued

As Marvin writes in the book: "Just as we overthrew the monarchy and established a new kind of government and a new kind of social hierarchy based on merit rather than birth or privilege, our municipal identities as evidenced by our official seals became based on how we viewed ourselves. We wanted to express our identities in a more literal sense rather than through the obscure symbolism of 700-800 years of heraldic traditions developed in feudal monarchies of Europe." Marvin will be showing several dozen of these seals and telling the stories behind them. Please join us for this unique history lesson.

Anna Solomon continued

A synopsis from the author's web site: "When 16-year-old Minna Lask journeys from Odessa to America as a mail-order bride, she dreams of a young, wealthy husband, a handsome townhouse, and freedom from physical labor and pogroms. But her husband Max turns out to be twice her age, rigidly Orthodox, and living in a one-room sod hut in South Dakota with his two teenage sons. The country is desolate, the work treacherous. Most troubling, Minna finds herself increasingly attracted to her older stepson. As a brutal winter closes in, the family's limits are tested, and Minna, drawing on strengths she barely knows she has, is forced to confront her despair, as well as her desire."

Computer Training Classes

All classes will meet in the Training/Conference Room.
Prior registration is required; come to the Information Desk or call 810-0314.

Introduction to Computers: Gateway to the World Wide Web- Date: November 10 @ 2:00 PM Are you a computer novice? This hands-on computer course is designed for individuals with little or no previous experience. The course will focus on developing skills in the following areas: 1) Basic understanding of the Windows environment. 2) Ability to use the computer mouse. 3) Ability to use the computer keyboard. 4) Ability to access computer programs and files. This 2-1/2 hour class is limited to 6 participants.

Introduction to the Internet- Date: November 9 @ 2:00 PM This class is designed for library patrons who have little or no experience with the Internet, but who are basically competent with using a computer. Learn Internet terminology and how to access the Internet from home, work, and at the library. Emphasis will be on browsing the Internet using an Internet browser's toolbars, menus, and hypertext links. The class lasts approximately two hours and is limited to 8 participants.

Intermediate Internet: Using Search Engines- Date: November 17 @ 2:00 PM This class is designed for library patrons who have experience using the Internet, and are very familiar with using the computer mouse, keyboard and the Windows environment. Learn the best methods of searching the Internet. We will explore the many search engines and directories available to aid you in your informational quest. **WARNING:** This is not an Introduction to the Internet. We ask that you have already spent time online and have a modest understanding of the Internet. Each class lasts 2-1/2 hours and is limited to 8 participants.

Basic Word Processing and File Management- Date: November 15 @ 10:00 AM This class explores the basic features of the Microsoft Word 2007 Screen from top to bottom. The purpose of this class is to encourage students to perform basic editing functions on a prepared document, to create a folder in Windows Explorer, and to save the document to the folder. Students should have dexterity with the mouse, keyboard experience, familiarity with the Windows environment, and a sense of humor. The 2-1/2 hour class is limited to six students.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007- Date: November 3 @ 6:30 PM This class will explore the basic features of Excel. Students will learn how to create a worksheet and perform simple calculations and manipulations with data. Students should be familiar with the Windows environment, the keyboard and be able to use a mouse. Students may take this more than once if they feel they need more practice with the basics. This class will be two hours and is limited to eight students.

Microsoft Excel 2007 II- Date: November 17 @ 6:30 PM This class is designed for library patrons who have completed the Introduction to Excel class or are already familiar with the basics of entering and manipulating data in an Excel worksheet. Topics such as sorting data, customizing tables and creating graphs and charts will be explored. This two hour class is limited to eight students.

New Classes:

Overdrive Downloadable Audiobooks- Monday, November 7 @ 2:00 PM

Overdrive Downloadable Ebooks- Monday, November 14 @ 2:00 PM
(see descriptions in program schedule)

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Upcoming Concerts in December...

December 4: Mark Hecker, Classical Guitar

December 11: Sonny & Perley, The Great American Songbook

New Mass Market Paperback Section Added



Reference Stumper:

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1) Quote of the Month: "Yet there was a measure of uncertainty surrounding that very thought a thought he was so used to having he couldn't keep from it. Maybe it was true that even though he liked her, liked the frankness and direct nature of her conduct toward him, intimacy was not what he wanted. She appealed to him in a surprising way, but he was not physically attracted to her. And maybe, he thought, looking at her across the table, an intimacy with him was the last thing on earth she was interested in. She was French."

2) Brain Teaser: This movie was the first to be shown on network television without commercial interruption. What was the name of this movie?

The winner chosen will be the first person to answer both parts of the "Stumper" correctly. Answer to "Quote of the Month" must include title AND author.

Participants may submit their responses in 3 ways: 1) E-mail to: info@colonielibrary.org 2) Telephone the Information Desk at 810-0314 3) By stopping off at the Access Services Desk in the library.

September Winner: No winner.

September Answers: Quote: On 'God' and 'Good'" by Iris Murdoch, published in *The Anatomy of Knowledge*. **Teaser:** *The Life of Harriet Stuart*, by Charlotte Ramsay Lennox, published in London in 1751.