

The Bookworm

A Publication of The Friends of the Chemung County Library District

Spring 2014

Annual Meeting

The Friends of the Chemung County Library District cordially invites you to attend the 2014 Friends of CCLD Annual Meeting & Dinner. The meeting will be held at the Elmira Country Club on Thursday, June 12th. The meeting begins at 6:00PM with a social hour followed by dinner, annual meeting and LIVE music by JOHN MANFREDI!.

The Menu:

Hors d'oeuvres

Cheese/Crackers
Crudités and Dill Dip

Entrees

Served Salad
Spinach Salad, Seasonal Berries, Caramelized Pecans, Bleu Cheese
Raspberry Vinaigrette
Fresh Baked Rolls/Whipped Butter
Asian Broccoli Salad
Fresh Fruit Bowl
Green Beans and Bell Pepper Strips, Herb Butter
Vegan Dish—Wild Rice w/Cashews, Chestnuts, Snow Peas, Tossed in Olive Oil and Soy Sauce
Chicken Boursin, Veloute Sauce
Virginia Ham, Asparagus and Boursin Cheese-filled Chicken Breast, Breaded and Lightly Fried
Cottage-Style Baked Haddock, Lemon Butter Sauce w/Mushroom, Scallion, Bacon and Cracker Topping

Dessert

Grilled Fresh Pineapple
Lemon Sorbet

Beverages

Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea

Cost: \$25/Seat

The Reservation deadline is June 1st.

Your check is your reservation. Please make checks payable to: Friends of CCLD. You may drop off your payment at the Central (Steele) Library or mail payment to:

Annual Meeting
Friends of CCLD
101 East Church St.
Elmira, New York 14901

Hope to see you all there on June 12th! Thank you!

President's Report

To all Friends donors and supporters: Thank you, thank you, thank you! Your annual giving for 2013 totaled over \$9,000. These funds will enable Friends to continue its mission to support the ever-expanding needs of our five District libraries.

Contrary to the misperception that libraries are shrinking or becoming obsolete in the digital age, library usage is increasing nationally and in the Chemung County Library District! Our libraries are reimagining themselves with new programming for children, families, teens and learners of all ages. Please read CCLD Director Ron Shaw's informative article on new library plans and programs in this edition of The Bookworm.

In keeping with the need for innovation and integration with our civic life, our libraries are evolving "from places to find information to places for the creation of information." The dedicated staff of CCLD is working vigorously at "getting the energy of the community into the library and the energy of the library out into the community."

The Friends of CCLD encourages all library users to spread the word about the many expanding resources and services available at our neighborhood libraries. The changes and challenges that face our library District and all libraries across the state are huge. Expenses escalate and funding becomes more tentative. For many in Chemung County, the neighborhood library has become an essential part of daily life: the means to a job, a more stable future, a place to learn, a place to have fun, a place to be recognized, uplifted and accepted.

Your continued support is crucial for the sustainability and growth of the Chemung County Library District. Let's keep moving forward.

Sincerely,
Joe Caparulo
President, Friends of CCLD

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101 E. Church St.
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Annual Book Sale

The Friends of CCLD Annual Book Sale in February was another successful event. Despite arctic air and pelting snow, the response from Friends supporters both near and far (Buffalo and Philadelphia!) produced total sales of \$22,800. These funds will enable the continuous funding towards CCLD programs, materials and events.

Special thanks to our Book Sale Committee: Lee Kiesling, Karen Nisco, Joe Caparulo, Matthias Smith, Tom Rupp, Ralph Moore and, in particular, to Dean Butts, who year after year leads his "Walker" crew to unload books and set up the Sale. Friends is also extremely grateful to its community partners at the Arnot Mall, the Boy Scouts of America, the Junior League of Elmira-Corning, Capabilities, and George C. Howell.

Finally, a fundraiser of this magnitude could not be possible without Friends book donors and the countless volunteers who sort, pack, load, unload, display, straighten and sell more than 35,000 books. Your work is deeply appreciated.

Please take note of the Friends continuous Book Sale shelves at the Central (Steele), West Elmira, Big Flats and Van Etten libraries. Book donations are accepted at all District libraries during regular business hours. Abundant thanks!

***The Friends of the CCLD would like you to welcome its newest board member,
Mrs. Nancy G. Schrijver***

I was born and attended school in Englewood, New Jersey; and continued at Northwestern University, The New School in New York City, Corning Community College, Dekalb College, and many continuing education courses - AND courses just for fun.

I was fortunate to grow up with people of a variety of backgrounds and religions. Half of my mother's family lives in The Netherlands, and I heard many stories during my youth of their lives during the Second World War in The Netherlands and Indonesia. Because of this background I became very interested in history, military history, and international affairs.

During my years in New York City, I roomed with several Australian girls. My idea was to work and travel in Europe and then continue to Australia. I had a wonderful time traveling through France and Spain and then back to England where I worked for five months. My next stop was The Netherlands where I stayed with my relatives. The first weekend I visited a girl that I had gone to school with who had married a Dutch man. That weekend I was introduced to the Dutchman I was to marry. We lived in Curacao, the Netherlands Antilles (my son was born there), Shrivenham, England (my daughter has a British and Dutch passport), and Dam Neck, Virginia.

During my years in Europe, I worked for Booz, Allen & Hamilton, Time Life International NV (book division), and after my children had grown up with The American School of The Hague in the Middle School Library. So finance and economics was added to my interests. Being for years a housewife I also added gardening, cooking, sewing, embroidery, antiques, and interior decorating. Being a Navy wife and moving dozens of times, gives one the opportunity to decorate many new homes.

After moving back to the States I lived here for two years, and because of my mother's health then moved to Georgia. In Greene County, Georgia I became a member of the Friends of the Library, and enjoyed many years of helping the library. I was also appointed to the Regional Library Board (Uncle Remus Regional Library System) and enjoyed many years of service.

Wherever I lived I have always been a frequent visitor to the local library. I have enjoyed working, visiting, and helping the library.

Nancy G. Schrijver

*The Friends would also like to warmly recognize the return of past board member,
Lynne Rusinko*

Lynne Rusinko re-joins the Board of Friends of CCLD as the Poetry Chair, having served her first three-year term as Chair 2007-2010. She is a writer dedicated to community service, engaging primarily with arts, literacy and health organizations, as well as an occasional save-the-gulls campaign. She favors grassroots, nonprofit endeavors of groups who strive to open and expand access to all.

Welcome back, Lynne!

Message from Ron W. Shaw, Director, CCLD

The MakerSpace @ the Central Library

Libraries have always adapted to meet the needs of the people they serve. Here at CCLD we believe a our branches should provide experiences that take people from imagination to actual production. We have been evolving into a community hub for many different kinds of learning experiences, and some time ago the concept of providing space for creation and production took hold.

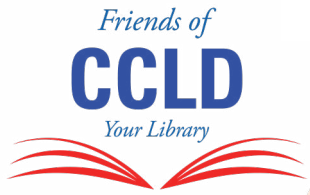
In the past several months CCLD staff have been working towards the development of more “creative space” inside the Central Library. The project started with the Early Literacy Area, developed by Janet Ackerman and her staff, which was funded through grants and donations. The area includes a reading nook, puppet stage, magnifier table with magnifiers and with items to look at, blocks, sorting shapes, and puzzles.

Next up for CCLD is the development of a “creative/makerspace” where patrons will be able to do projects such as “digital storytelling” - which is a short form of digital media production that allows people to share aspects of their life story. Think of it as the modern extension of the ancient art of storytelling, now interwoven with digitized still and moving images and sound. Some of the items we intend to purchase, with the help of our Friends, include a vinyl cutting machine, a “green screen” and computers with software for editing of photo, video, and graphics design projects.

People of every place and time deserve a history. Only local and regional history satisfies the need to remember the most intimate matters. This arises from our desire to know, preserve, and understand our community. Not only would this creative space allow patrons to tell their “story” but it would also contribute greatly to our collective memory as our Local History and Genealogy section would be able to utilize the room to preserve memories that are personal to us all.

As always we will continue to redevelop and redefine our priorities. Down the road there is the possibility of adding 3D printers that would allow patrons to create physical plastic objects from 3D computer renderings and music recording and production.

I hope you are looking forward to the possibilities as much as we are.
-Ron W. Shaw



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Featuring **Jerry Mirskin** and **Lafayette Wattles**

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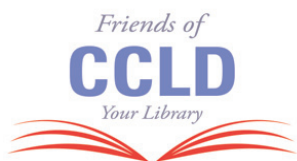
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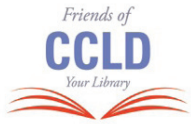
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Kathleen Huddle
Ginnie Lupi
Marc Rubin
Steve Seaberg
Allen C. Smith
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