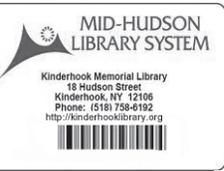


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## Voyage to Antarctica

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## Teen Henna Workshop

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# BOOK REPORT

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200TH COMMEMORATIVE YEAR

## WAR OF 1812: FURY, FRENZY AND HONOR

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 4PM

**A**s the bicentennial of the War of 1812 approaches, both the United States and Canada are exploring its legacy of lasting peace. While there were no tangible gains to either adversary, the US and Canada both went on to expand and prosper.

But the war itself has infused our culture with dramatic stories: “Old Ironsides” and the struggles for naval supremacy; the significance of the Niagara Campaign; the defeat of Tecumseh; Dolly Madison’s heroism during the burning of Washington, D.C.; and, the perseverance of the people of Baltimore and of Fort McHenry, which inspired The Star-Spangled Banner.



The War of 1812 is sometimes labeled “The Forgotten War.” In this lecture by Raya Lee on Sunday, March 4 at 4pm, we rediscover and remember this conflict’s impact on America.

A graduate of Fredonia State with a master’s degree from the University of Buffalo, Raya Lee has served as Assistant Librarian with the

Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra and as Music Librarian at the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library.

This lecture is made possible by the New York Council for the Humanities’ Speakers in the Humanities Program. Once each quarter in 2012 we’ll bring humanities scholars from around New York State to the Library for lectures on a variety of topics that are free and open to the public.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

### WORKS IN PROGRESS

**T**he reconstruction of Hudson Street is complete thanks to efficient project management by Jim Dunham and professional contracted services by Bob Talham, Inc. and Spectra Engineering, Architecture and Surveying, P.C. New curb cuts that improve access to the new sidewalks on Hudson and Sylvester Streets, elimination of potholes, and clear designation of handicap parking spaces combine to help patrons reach the library more safely. Hudson Street now has 10 foot travel lanes and 8 foot parking lanes. While narrower than before, our new road will slow traffic and enhance pedestrian safety. The project also improves access from Church Street to the back lawn of the building, making it easier for our Friends of the Library book sales and OKtoberfest, as well as other popular outdoor family programs.

The interior of the library is about to undergo transformation as well. A renovation of the

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# Calendar

- 1/13** 5:15pm. Teen Movie: Planet of the Apes
- 1/14** 4:15pm. Discoveries: Paper Beads
- 1/16** 7:30pm. Nonfiction Book Club
- 1/22** 4pm. Voyage to Antarctica & Friends Membership Meeting
- 1/23** 7:15pm. Next Page Book Club
- 2/9** 10:30am. Grin & Bear It Storytime!
- 2/10** 5:15pm. Teen Henna Workshop
- 2/11** 4:15pm. Discoveries: Freedom Quilts  
7pm. Family Film: In a Lonely Place
- 2/13** 1pm. Circle of Readers  
7pm. Library Board Meeting
- 2/18** 4pm. Digital Divide: Healthy Happy Resources
- 2/20** 7:30pm. Nonfiction Book Club
- 2/27** 7:15pm. Next Page Book Club
- 3/4** 4pm. Lecture: War of 1812
- 3/9** 5:15pm. Teen Game Night
- 3/10** 4:15pm. Discoveries: Crafting with Amy
- 3/12** 1pm. Circle of Readers  
7pm. Library Annual Meeting
- 3/17** 4pm. Tech Adventures: Pinhole Cameras
- 3/19** 7:30pm. Nonfiction Book Club
- 3/24** 7pm. Family Film: You Were Never Lovelier
- 3/26** 7:15pm. Next Page Book Club

## President's Message, continued

children's room will significantly improve our ability to hold programs within the library's limited space. Mobile shelving in the children's room will accommodate story and lap time with much less disruption to the rest of the Library. The tables and chairs in the main room will also be replaced with furniture designed to be moved, making it safer and less cumbersome for staff to reconfigured space for programs and meetings.

This \$27,000 project is funded by grants from the New York State Public Library Construction program, Berkshire Taconic Foundation Fund for Columbia County, the Evelyn Bordewick Foundation, and the Stewart's Foundation, as well as by donations from library trustees and Friends of the Library and proceeds from the 2011 OKtoberfest. The interior work begins on January 31, 2012 and is scheduled to end on April 30. Please bear

with us as we maintain our normal schedule of hours and range of services during most of the renovation.

The establishment of a municipal sanitary district in the center of the village, a third capital improvement to our facility, remains in progress. The Village Board has not finally determined whether to proceed with the project. However, after weighing the many economic and sanitary advantages that a public sewer district would offer all village residents, the library trustees voted unanimously to support the project. Lack of public sanitation infrastructure has crippled past attempts to revitalize our village center. This project would correct these deficiencies. Village board action on this project is expected soon.

—Gary L. Spielmann, President

## Library Card Requirement

Over 30% of the lending business we do at the Kinderhook Library is due to the network we have with other public libraries in the five counties of the Mid-Hudson Library System. Sixty six libraries across Columbia, Greene, Dutchess, Ulster, and Putnam counties work together to bring you the items you're looking for in as little as one or two days. Our libraries also work together to create sharing standards that are fair to all libraries and important for us to follow.

Because we have a responsibility to the other libraries in our system and because of concerns about patron privacy and our own accountability, beginning in January you must have either your library card or a photo ID with a valid address in order to pick up anything from the hold shelf. This is a requirement that is being implemented system-wide, so expect similar rules at other libraries in the Mid-Hudson Library System.

## Online Practice Tests for You!

Studying for AP exams? Applying to Graduate School? Taking a Police or Firefighter Exam? Take control of your life and prepare for your future by visiting [kinderhooklibrary.org](http://kinderhooklibrary.org) to access practice tests for students of all ages. The Practice Tests database found in the online research section of our web site gives you anytime, anywhere access to test prep for high school exams (AP and GRE); college exams (PSAT, SAT and more); graduate school exams (GRE, LSAT, MCAT and more); and career exams for police, firefighters, EMTs, postal workers, military and civil service. Click your way to success with your library card!



## Across the Digital Divide: A Happier Healthier You

*Saturday, February 18, 4pm.*

Have you made new health resolutions for 2012? Need information to make better life choices? Not sure where to find the information you need about your health? This workshop will help you find the materials you need to lead a healthy, happy lifestyle in 2012. We'll discuss how to access current web and print resources available through the Mid-Hudson Library System on medical conditions, exercise and fitness, nutrition, and more.

## Computer Classes

*Tuesdays at 9am from April 3 until June 12.*

Our next series of eleven Basic Computer Skills classes will be offered this spring on Tuesday mornings. The classes are designed for people with little or no computer experience and the topics vary each week. Some of the topics covered are an introduction to computers, the Internet, setting up email, and office productivity software for word processing, spreadsheets and presentations. Registration and a Mid-Hudson Library card are required for each class and class size is limited to 6 students. A preference will be given to people who live in the towns of Kinderhook and Stuyvesant but a waiting list will be kept for other people holding a Mid-Hudson Library card who don't live in the immediate area.

# Teen Programs

## ☛ Magic: The Gathering

*Weekly on Fridays, 5pm.*

In the Magic: The Gathering card game, you play the role of a planeswalker—a powerful wizard who fights other planeswalkers for glory, knowledge, and conquest. Your deck of cards represents all the weapons in your arsenal. It contains the spells you know and the creatures you can summon to fight for you. Build your deck carefully and play your cards strategically and victory will be yours! If you are a new player no need to bring anything—we'll show you how to play and have cards for you to borrow. If you are an experienced player, please bring your own cards/decks and your DCI card number. Magic: The Gathering is appropriate for ages 11 and up, however, if you are willing to learn we are willing to teach you! Magic will not meet when school is not in session.

## ☛ Teen Movie Night: Rise of the Planet of the Apes (PG-13, 2011)

*Friday, January 13, 5:15-7pm.*

A single act of both compassion and arrogance leads to a war unlike any other—and to the Rise of the Planet of the Apes. The Oscar-winning visual effects team that brought to life the worlds of Avatar and Lord of the Rings breaks new ground with a dramatic performance of unprecedented emotion and intelligence, and epic battles on which rest the upended destinies of man and primate. —(C) Official Site. Soda and snacks provided.

## ☛ Teen Henna Workshop

*Friday, February 10, 5:15pm.*

Teens will get the opportunity to use henna to create temporary designs on the skin. Henna, a plant-based product made from henna tree leaves, is used by many cultures around the world as a form of artistic

expression. Henna is not permanent, but it does temporarily stain the skin. Henna will wash or fade from the skin in one to three weeks. This program is free and designed for ages 13 and up. Space is limited to 15 participants. Please register for this event online, at the library or by calling 758-6192.

## ☛ Teen Game Night

*Friday, March 9, 5:15pm.*

Parcheesi, Scrabble, Twister and Life. What are some of your favorite board games? Come to the Library to sit back and relax with friends and play some of the best games around. We'll play Wii on the big screen, and you can bring your own games or systems to share. Looking to play more Magic: the Gathering? Join us!

## WORTH A MENTION

### Library's Annual Meeting

Monday, March 12, 7pm.

The public is invited to the library's annual meeting to hear a summary of the library's work in 2011, a budget review, and an evaluation of its programs and events.

### Ongoing Children's Programs

#### Mommy and Me Laptime

Wednesdays, 11:00am. Join us for Mother Goose Rhymes, stories and songs with your infant or toddler.

#### Preschool Storytime

Thursdays at 10:30am. Stories, crafts, and songs for ages 3 and up.



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# Family Film Festival

The 20th year of Dan Schoonover's Family Film Festival highlights more great 16mm films from the collection of the late Raymond Schoonover. Classic movies will be shown each month through April and homemade popcorn and other light refreshments will be served.

## ☛ In a Lonely Place (1950)

*Saturday, February 11, 7pm.* Part murder investigation part romance, this movie follows Dixon Steele, a Hollywood screenwriter, as he becomes the prime suspect in the murder of a hat check girl. Steele begins a romance with his pretty, new neighbor who is his biggest defender...until she starts to wonder if he is the man she thought he was. Starring Humphrey Bogart and Gloria Grahame.



## ☛ You were Never Lovelier (1942)

*Saturday, March 24, 7pm.* Maria needs to marry before her younger sisters can wed but she's waiting for the right man. When she finally falls for an American dancer looking for work, her father does not approve.

Starring Rita Hayworth and Fred Astaire.

## Tax Forms

A limited supply of federal and state tax forms will be available at the library toward the end of January. If we do not have what you're looking for, staff can assist you in printing forms at the library for \$0.20 per page.



# Friends of the Kinderhook Library Wrapping Up a Good Year

**T**he past year has shown once again that the residents of Kinderhook and Stuyvesant are keen on joining the Friends in our efforts to contribute to Kinderhook Memorial Library in ways that benefit its patrons. We extend sincere thanks to you—not only for your membership dues, but for the work you continue to do.

Our two annual book sales, held in June and September, could not succeed without your donations and your hands-on labor—thank you for continuing to think of us when you’re clearing out your bookshelves, looking for a place for your clean, lightly used discards.

The grounds of our lovely Library are consistently maintained with care throughout the year with the help of many volunteers under the direction of Dot Balko, Library trustee and chair of the Library’s Building and Grounds committee. Friends and members of the community of all ages join her when she asks for help to pull the weeds, rake the leaves, put out the flowers, and this past summer, to paint the white picket fence. The Friends have placed a handsome bench in the front yard for the enjoyment of the community, and a message board with a glass front near the entryway, where you

can find out what’s going on, even when the library is closed. And no more puddle-jumping required, as the Village has beautifully repaved Hudson Street.

In December for Candlelight Night, an old-fashioned holiday tradition in Kinderhook, the Friends decorated the Library and offered sweets and cookies—made by many volunteer bakers; the Friends also provided the music, but oh the cookies...the cookies....

As we continue our mission, we welcome a new group of officers to the Executive Council for 2011-2012. Marie Orlando is the new recording secretary; Leslie Dumont and Elize Visser, members-at-large; Bill Hohmann and Bob Green, membership coordinators; and Bonnie Shannon will continue her long service to the Friends as chair of Book Sales, which includes generating income from online sales throughout the year.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year from the Friends of the Library!

– Elaine Ewing, Chair

## Welcome New Members:

Maureen Commisa	Tracy Fox Koontz
Kathy & William Houston	Anne Schomaker
The Keating Family	Frank and Barbara Vosburgh



## Become a Friend of the Kinderhook Memorial Library

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To contact the Friends e-mail Elaine Ewing, Chair, at [friends@kinderhooklibrary.org](mailto:friends@kinderhooklibrary.org)

## SAVE THE DATE!

**Membership Meeting and  
Antarctic Voyage with Sue Chiafullo  
Sunday, January 22, 4pm (snow date January 29)  
More information on page 5.**

### Main Interests

- BOOK SALE
- GROUNDS & GARDEN
- HOSPITALITY
- PUBLICITY
- OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

# Children's Programs

## Afternoon Discoveries

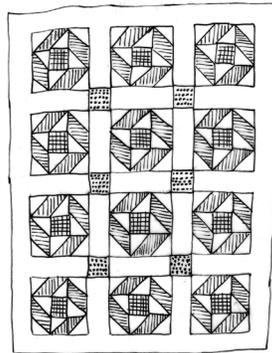
Afternoon Discoveries is a program designed for school-age children in second through fifth grade to explore a variety of fascinating topics through books and activities. Space is limited—registration is required.

### ☛ Paper Beads

*Saturday, January 14, 4:15pm.* Learn how to make beads using paper! Using colorful paper strips, the beads are rolled and strung to make necklaces, bracelets or key chains. Kathy Curtiss from the Scotia-Glenville Children's Traveling Museum will teach this Afternoon Discoveries.

### ☛ Freedom Quilts

*Saturday, February 11, 4:15pm.* Come with us on a journey to the past as we learn how slaves communicated and shared secret messages about the Underground Railroad. We will read *Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt* and learn how to create a freedom quilt block of our own.



### ☛ Crafting with Amy

*Saturday, March 10, 4:15pm.* Get crafty with Amy! Join us for our craftiest Afternoon Discovery of the year! We'll have lots of fun crafts on hand – you can do as many or as few as time and your imagination allow. Crafts to choose from include marble magnets, comic strip bracelets, star books and more.

## Grin and Bear It Story Time!



*Thursday, February 9, 10:30am.* Celebrate National Children's Dental Health month at the Library! Shelley Johnston from Dr. David Starkman's office in Valatie will be here to show the kids the importance of taking care of their teeth. Shelley will also be available to answer any questions parents might have. Kids will get a chance to practice brushing teeth as well as participate in stories, songs and a craft!

## Tech Adventures: Pinhole Cameras

*Saturday, March 17, 4pm.* You've probably used a digital camera before, but did you know you can build your own working camera? Come to the Library to discover how photograph technology started and take some of your own vintage-style photos. With everyday household objects and a roll of film, we will create our very own pinhole camera, experiment with different kinds of exposure and go back in time to understand just how a picture is taken. Tech Adventures is a quarterly program for kids ages 10-15 years old. Space is limited and registration is required.

# Book Clubs

## Library Book Clubs

### Nonfiction Book Club

☛ *The Ascent of Money* by Niall Ferguson  
*Monday, January 16, 7:30pm.*

☛ *The Greater Journey* by David McCullough  
*Monday, February 20, 7:30pm.*

☛ *At Home: A Short History of Private Life* by Bill Bryson  
*Monday, March 19, 7:30pm.*

### Next Page Book Club

☛ *Middlemarch* by George Eliot  
*Monday, January 23, 7:15pm.*

☛ *Madame Bovary* by Gustave Flaubert  
*Monday, February 27, 7:15pm.*

☛ *Toast: the Story of a Boy's Hunger* by Nigel Slater  
*Monday, March 26, 7:15pm.*

## Book Club in a Bag

Thinking about starting your own book club? Check out a Book Club in a Bag kit – it comes with 10 copies of a book, discussion questions, and tips for leading your club. With over 130 titles to choose from there is something for everyone—kids and teens, too! It's simple to order a Book Club in a Bag:

**Browse.** Visit [midhudson.org/bcb](http://midhudson.org/bcb) to get started. Choose from more than 130 titles – everything from fiction to non-fiction, mysteries to histories!

**Schedule.** Pick a month—you may reserve a kit up to a year in advance!

**Reserve.** All you need is your library barcode and PIN.

## Antarctic Voyage with Sue Chiafullo

*Sunday, January 22, 4pm. (Snow date: January 29)*

Longing to travel? Break away from the New York winter with a vicarious trip to Antarctica. Sue Chiafullo, Kinderhook resident and Friend of the Library, will share photos of her travels to the bottom of the world.

Sue's passion for travel was fueled by her career in advertising that often took her to exotic locations. After years of living life on the road, she retired from ad agency life and became an independent producer and marketing consultant. One of her most recent projects was an advertising campaign for Columbia County Tourism.

There will be a brief meeting of the Friends of the Library preceding the travelogue. Everyone is welcome to socialize, share ideas, and enjoy refreshments.



# Get Your Library Card Today!

**H**aving a library card means you can have 24-hour access, 7 days a week to the collections of 66 libraries in the Mid-Hudson Library System. Just fill out this form and bring to the library with some form of identification and proof of local residency such as:

- A driver's license or photo ID
- An envelope or postcard recently mailed to your street address
- A utility bill that lists your street address

The minute you have your card in hand you have access to nearly 2.5 million items that you can request online. You also get HomeACCESS which links you to current magazine, newspaper, and journal articles from your home, school, or office. HomeACCESS includes the New York State Online Virtual Electronic Library (NOVEL) databases. To use HomeACCESS, visit the library's website ([kinderhooklibrary.org](http://kinderhooklibrary.org)), click on Online Research, enter the 14-digit barcode from your library card—and you're in!

## Library Card Application

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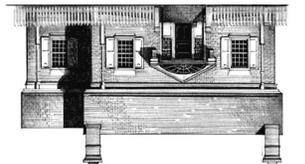
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