

HYDE PARK FREE LIBRARY

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SEPTEMBER HAPPENINGS...AND OCTOBER VOTE

September 7th, 2017

Dear Hyde Park Library Patron,

The Hyde Park Library District has announced its proposed budget for 2018. The current 2017 budget factoring in all funding streams is \$482,635. The proposed budget for 2018, as voted on by the library board, is \$475,239.

Of the total proposed budget, the amount proposed to be raised via tax levy for 2018 is \$441,212. This is the amount that voters in the District will be asked to vote upon on Thursday, October 12th.

The total proposed increase in the tax levy would be \$9,920.

The current tax levy on residents of the district is \$431,292.

The increased cost per \$1000 of assessed valuation under this proposed budget would be 1.3 cents.

The total annual tax levy for a home assessed at \$175,000 would be \$99.59. This amount would represent an increase of \$2.41 over the current tax levy on a home assessed at the above cited rate.

The vote will take place on Thursday, October 12th at the Hyde Park Free Library. Polling hours will be from 2:00PM to 9:00PM.

Registered voters in the Hyde Park Library District (the town of Hyde Park excluding those in the Staatsburg and Hillside fire districts) may cast their votes at that time. For information on absentee ballots, please call (845)229-7791 extension 205.

Copies of the proposed budget are available for public review at the library's main office located in the Hyde Park Library Annex.

In addition to the budget vote, three seats on the library board will be up for vote in October as well. Two of the terms are for a five year period. The third position is for a one year term. Potential candidates should contact the library director at (845)229-7791 extension 205 for more information.

HPTA GOLF OUTING TO BENEFIT COMMUNITY LIBRARIES

As we've noted in previous newsletters, the various fundraisers held on behalf of the library are one of the ways we are able to help keep taxes down and still provide full service. We extend our thanks to the many volunteers who devote their time and energy in these efforts.

We're pleased to announce that the Hyde Park Teachers' Association are, for the fifth year running, holding a fundraiser golf outing scheduled for Saturday, September 30th (at the Dinsmore Golf Course) with proceeds to benefit the three libraries that serve the school district -- our own in Hyde Park, as well as Clinton and Staatsburg libraries.

Informational fliers and registration forms are available here at the library circulation desk for anyone who is interested in participating in this fun-filled event.

There is a fee of \$125.00, which is pretty much all-inclusive: covering green fees, cart, continental breakfast, lunch, a banquet dinner and prizes. Registration begins at 8:00 AM, and tee off time (scramble format/shotgun start) will be at 9:00 AM.

To find out more--or to pre-register for this exciting event, pick up the aforementioned informational flier here or contact organizer Kathryn Choinski directly at [\(845\) 546-6477](tel:8455466477) or via email at KathrynChoinski@hpcsd.org.

You can also register (and find out more information) by going to the Hyde Park Teachers' Association's home page at <http://www.hydeparkteachers.org/>

We do need a number of players to sign up in order to run the event. So if you love golf (and want to help your community libraries), we'd love to hear from you. Thanks!



HYDE PARK TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
~ benefitting Hyde Park, Staatsburg, & Clinton libraries ~



Saturday - September 30, 2017

Dinsmore Golf Course ~ scramble format

Check In - 8am ~ Shotgun Start - 9am

Entry Fee is \$125 per player

Includes: continental breakfast, gift bag, 18 holes of golf, golf cart, lunch at the turn, buffet dinner at the Eagles Nest, games & prizes.

*** CASH PRIZE for the TOP TEAM ***

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

PLATINUM - \$700: 4 golfers, large banner, tee box sign

GOLD - \$100: company banner **SILVER** - \$50: tee box sign **TEAM SPONSOR** - four gift certificates

GIFT CERTIFICATES & DONATIONS

Contact Kathryn Choinski at 546-6477 - KathrynChoinski@hpcsd.org

for sponsorships, donations & registration - spots are limited, please RSVP by September 1st.

- make payment payable to HPTA - PO Box 393, Hyde Park, NY 12538 -

MUSIC, MUSIC...

Due to some unavoidable scheduling concerns, our open mic will take place on the third Sunday of the month in September (i.e. September 17th--rather than on the usual fourth Sunday. Our featured act will be one of our favorite area performers, Paul Maloney.

Paul has been a fixture in the Hudson Valley music scene for over thirty years and has played bass with The Saturday Night Bluegrass Band, The Pontiacs, Big Joe Fitz, Doctor Romo's Cajun Swing Orchestra, and Cleoma's Ghost. He cites as influences artists such as Jesse Winchester, Mickey Newbury, John Hiatt, Tom Waits, Joan Armatrading and the Subdudes. He has performed his original, Contemporary Folk music in a variety of clubs and cafes throughout the Northeast.

Schedule for the afternoon is as follows:

Sign-up at 1:30 (online advance sign-up option)

Open Mic at 2:00

Paul Maloney (featured act) takes the stage at 3:15

(Times approximate, good times guaranteed.)

The poster is for an "Open Mic" event celebrating the Hyde Park Library's 90th Anniversary. It features a central banner with the text "Celebrating the Hyde Park Library's 90th Anniversary" and "Open Mic" in a large, stylized font. Below this, it says "Sunday, Sept. 17th 2 pm" and "With Featured Performer: Paul Maloney". A small photo of Paul Maloney playing a guitar is on the right. The bottom of the poster provides the location: "Hyde Park Library Annex • 4 Main St., Hyde Park, NY 12538 • 845-229-7791".

And More Music...Acclaimed Canadian Guitarist and Songwriter To Appear...Concert AND Workshop

We will be hosting an acclaimed Canadian guitarist (and singer-songwriter) Bob Ardern on September 23rd. Mr. Ardern is making a rare area appearance and we are honored to be able to be one of the stops on his somewhat limited U.S. tour. This concert is free and open to the public, however reservations are strongly recommended for this event.

Bob Ardern combines masterful finger-style guitar playing with melodies that conjure vivid images and he pulls it all together into a captivating sound. The music delights and excites while it soothes and entertains. With influences from Celtic, Classical and Jazz, Bob's guitar stylings take the listener on a spectral journey of emotions.

Mr. Ardern has generously offered to hold a guitar workshop earlier in the day (at 2:00 p.m.) which will serve as a fundraiser for the library. Suggested donation for this workshop will be \$25.00 with all proceeds going to support the library. We thank Mr. Ardern sincerely for this thoughtful gesture.

So just to emphasize, donations are requested for the afternoon workshop/fundraiser at 2:00 p.m. Evening show at 8:00 is free admission!


Celebrating the Hyde Park Library's 90th Anniversary

The Hyde Park Library Presents: **Bob Ardern**

Guitarist & Singer-Songwriter from Nova Scotia

Bob Ardern combines masterful finger-style guitar playing with melodies that conjure vivid images and pulls it all together into a captivating sound. Willing to let his emotions show through his songs and not afraid to set off along the musical road-less-travelled, Bob takes you on a journey that entertains, surprises and stimulates.

For more information visit www.bobardern.ca



**Saturday,
Sept. 23rd @8pm
In the Annex**

**Free Admission
Reservations Recommended**

Hyde Park Free Library Annex ♦ 4 Main Street, Hyde Park NY 12538 ♦ 845-229-7791

September Foreign Film Series

We were running a specifically French film series this past summer. In September, we'll be broadening our scope somewhat and running a foreign film series--indeed one not just focused (no pun intended) on European cinema. Two of the selections won the Academy Award for "Best Foreign Language Film" in their respective years.

Friday, September 15th. 7:00 PM : "Les Herbes Folles"/"The Wild Grass"). From acclaimed director Alain Resnais. Rescheduled from an earlier date.

Friday, September 22nd. 7:00 PM : "A Separation" (Iran, 2011) Dir: Asghar Farhadi (who also directed the French language film "Le Passe/The Past"). Academy Award Winner: "Best Foreign Film" (2012).

Sunday, September 29th "Die Faelscher/The Counterfeiters". (Austria, 2007). Dir: Stefan Ruzowitzky. Academy Award Winner: "Best Foreign Film" (2008).

The series will continue through part of October, after which we will run our annual "Big Read Film Festival," a series of films thematically related to this year's Big Read selection. Since the Big Read selection is Native American poet Joy Harjo's *How We Became Human*, we're looking forward to presenting a number of films with First Nation themes.

News From the Friends Of the Hyde Park Library

The Friends of the Hyde Park Library will be holding their annual meeting on Tuesday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. All current and prospective members are welcome to attend. This annual event is a great opportunity to learn more about our Friends group--their mission, their many accomplishments and their plans for the coming year.

Vote on a slate of officers will also take place.

Our Friends will be on hand at Hyde Park "Fall Fest" Community Day on September 23rd from 1:00 p.m to 5:00 p.m at Hackett Hill. We'll have books to hand out to children. Stop by and say hello.

And our Friends will also be represented at the HPTA Golf Outing (see above) to hand out bottles of water to the players.

THIS AND THAT...MORE LIBRARY NEWS

The Great Decisions discussion group will meet on Monday, September 11th at 6:30 p.m. This month's topic is "US Foreign Policy and Petroleum." An informational packet will be available at the circulation desk (for in house use or photocopying) prior to the meeting or an email version can be sent per request. Contact director@hydeparkfreelibrary.org to receive the packet or for general information

Coming up on September 16th is the annual "Battle of the Books" competition, to be held this year at Dutchess Community College. Mrs. B.'s team is prepped and psyched and raring to go. They've been preparing for this annual event since last spring. This Jeopardy-style competition has been a great success for more than a decade now, and while there can only be winning team, it's really win-win for all participants, since they get to read, discuss and appreciate a number of great contemporary YA novels.

As reported last month, interest in our knitting group has been quite strong. The group has renamed itself the "Woolsevelt Yarn Spinners" and will be holding weekly Tuesday afternoon sessions on Tuesdays (excluding holidays) from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, this group is for you.

Have you checked out our newest Little Library? Yes, our friends at the Hyde Park Rotary have crafted yet another beautiful kiosk/book exchange where area residents can stop by and pick up reading material at no cost. Our newest location is at the Rite Aid plaza on the corner of 9G and Crum Elbow. Stop by, pick up a book, leave a book. It's a great way to share the literary wealth. This newest addition joins our previously established site at the Stop'n'Shop Plaza. Keep your eyes on this column for word on a ribbon cutting ceremony in the coming weeks.

We love the fact that a skilled craftsmen in the Rotary have made both "Little Libraries" to look like our actual main building! What a great reminder to users to consider visiting the main site as well!

Our quilting group has also been quite active and is wrapping up work on this year's effort. The quilt will be on display in the library in the coming weeks. Tickets are already on sale and are available at the library circulation desk. This is always one of our major fundraisers, and we are looking forward to this annual fall tradition. Drawing will be held on November 6th.

The Hyde Park Library Writers' group wishes to announce that it does have vacancies and would welcome new members. While emphasis has been primarily on poetry and shorter prose, writers of all genres and styles are more than welcome. The group meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month (i.e. September 12th and 26th) at 6:30. Stop by and check us out.