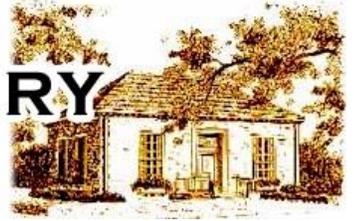


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## HYDE PARK LIBRARY NEWS -- MARCH, 2018

### Book Sale Blowout--And More

March 6, 2018

Dear Hyde Park Library Patron,

Well, they do say that March comes in like a lion and all that..but you know after having that spring-like weather winding up in February, this past weekend's rocky weather was a bit of a jolt to the system. Well, that's life in the Hudson Valley for ya. Anyway we just hope that all our patrons are once again warm as toast, fully "empowered," and geared up for the next round on Wednesday.

Hopefully, we'll be in the clear by St. Paddy's Day weekend--which we'll be celebrating in high style with a major blow-out book sale. Our Friends group will be running a three day event, Friday, March 16-Sunday, March 18.

The book sale runs during library business hours, so that's Friday, 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm; Saturday, 9:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.; and Sunday, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

We're collecting donations of gently used books and other materials right up until the weekend of the sale, so please consider donating items for the event. You can drop donations off at the S. June Keyes Library Annex during business hours. After hours, items can be dropped off in the bin discreetly placed on the Annex's back porch. (You can't miss it.)

We're grateful and glad to report that most folks keep our "book donor's rule of thumb" in mind. If it's something you wouldn't buy yourself, probably nobody else would. This includes items like: musty items stored in a basement, old encyclopedias, Reader's Digest (or other) condensed volumes or old text books. Those items just don't seem to sell and our volunteers end up with the onerous task of disposing of them. Consider recycling what can be recycled (old paperbacks, magazines and hardbacks with their covers removed are *all* recyclable).

Remember too, if you'd like a receipt for donations made, bring the items during business hours, and we'll be happy to provide written documentation for your donation.

**Come Visit  
The Hyde Park Library  
Book Sale!!**



- ❖ Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> : 12-6pm
- ❖ Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> : 9-4pm
- ❖ Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> : 11-3pm

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### Open Mic at the Annex...And More

Our next Open Mic will take place on Sunday, March 25th at 2:00 p.m. We are very excited to announce that our featured act will be singer-songwriter and pianist extraordinaire Paul Tryon.

Paul has played here a couple of times before, once as an opener for another of our favorite acts Sonny and Perley and once helping his own concert. He's a first rate performer whether he's appearing alone or with gifted accompanists Maxx McRae and Eric Beckworth.

Sign-up for the open mic portion of the show is at 1:30 p.m. Open mic performances begin at 2:00. And our featured act will take the stage at 3:30 pm.



**Open Mic**

With  
Featured  
Act:

**Sunday,  
Mar. 25<sup>th</sup>  
2pm**

**Paul Tryon**

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# Death Cafe Meets Saturday, March 10th

Our popular Death Cafe series is an open-ended discussion of all matters having to do with death and dying. The fact that our facilitators are trained end-of-life doulas makes these discussion sessions informative and timely--and extremely interesting. And the food is always good too. This coming Saturday, March 10th at 2:00 p.m., join Elysabeth and Anthony Swan for coffee, tea and baked goods...and an open discussion about the topic too many fear to discuss. You'll find it a worthwhile way to spend a late winter afternoon.

(Note: due to the increased interest in these sessions, you may want to reserve a spot prior to the meeting. Sessions have been held throughout the county and awareness of them has been spreading rapidly. To ensure a spot, you may want to sign up in advance by calling (845)229-7791.)



**Death Cafe**  
DUTCHESS

Hosted By Anthony & Elysabeth Swan

Join us for coffee, tea, baked goods and an open conversation about death and dying with a view to making the most out of life! There is no agenda--simply a casual exchange in a safe space.

*Anthony and Elysabeth are certified end-of-life doulas and have been volunteers with Hudson Valley Hospice since 2015. They are also board members of the Hudson Valley Funeral Consumers Alliance. Call 845.505.7155 for more information.*

**Sat.,  
Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>  
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2-4<sub>pm</sub>**

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## March Movie Madness/YOU Pick 'em, We Play 'em

Periodically, we like to do a "viewers' choice" film series--which can always lead to an interesting and fun variety of selections. Into old classics a la TCM? Comedies? Romance? Adventure? Westerns? Well, we love 'em all too and are only too happy to accommodate our patrons' interests.

The only stipulation is whether or not we have licensing rights to screen the selections. (Most of the time we do, but there are a few films out there that don't happen to be covered by our licensing agreements).

What's the "value add" of watching films here at the library rather than in the comfort of your own living room, you ask? Well, we now do have comfy chairs (a sorely needed improvement for many a sore back), but more than that, we have a brief discussion that is always informative, almost never too contentious and did I mention that we keep it brief? (After a couple of hours of sitting and watching a movie, we know you're not up for another hour's worth of chatter).

And don't worry about the timing. "March Movie Madness" will almost certainly spill over into "April Film Foolishness" and "Month of May Movie Merriment," so there'll be plenty of time to screen your favorites. And contrary to the "dates to be announced" wording on the flier below, this month's dates for movie screenings are Friday, March 23rd at 7:00 p.m. and Friday, March 30th also at 7:00 p.m. So there's plenty of time to cast your ballot. Feel free to use the form below (print and clip) or just email your selection to [director@hydeparkfreelibrary.org](mailto:director@hydeparkfreelibrary.org).

March Madness at the Movies! -Ballot

Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Other Info (Year, Actor, Director): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



## More Library News: Dutchess One-Stop Job Counseling, Writers' Group, Great Decisions Discussion Group, Knitters and More!

The colorful and dynamic work of abstract artist John Banas continues to be on display in our Annex Gallery through the month of March.

We mentioned last month that our knitting group (aka the Woolsevelt Yarn Spinners) meets every Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. and seems to be off to a great start. Recent meetings have been quite well attended, which is great news. We're delighted that the group has been such a success--which is not to say that there isn't room for more. If you're a knitter, you're more than welcome to join this welcoming group every Tuesday. Can't make it every week? That's OK too. Come as often as you can.

Our quilters also meet weekly on Thursday mornings at 9:30 pm. They've been busy picking out patterns and beginning this year's handmade quilt which will be auctioned off this fall. Our quilters also welcome new members, so why not stop by and check them out any Thursday morning (weather permitting, of course--so you may want to wait until after this week's storm has blown over, of course).

A reminder that the Hyde Park Library Writers Group meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. The next March meeting will take place on the evening March 13th. We will also meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month, March 27th also at 6:30.

The Great Discussions group has proven to be a lively monthly discussion that should appeal to anyone interested in international affairs. Our next meeting will take place on Monday, March 12th at 6:30 p.m. Discussion guides and readings are available for in-house loan at the library circulation desk. This month's topic is: "China's Geopolitics."

One of our more successful outreach efforts in recent years has been our job counseling and resume writing workshops provided by the Poughkeepsie-based Dutchess One-Stop. Even in a relatively healthy job market, job counseling can be a vital service--especially for those looking to change careers either in the long or short term.

Dutchess One-Stop will continue to schedule monthly sessions in 2018, but there has been a significant change. They do require that there be at least some pre-registrations for their library sessions. Walk-ins will be welcome too, but only if one or two people have pre-registered and some appointments have been made, so your best bet for guaranteed job counseling is to reserve a spot for our next scheduled date, March 15 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. (Please note, while you can call director Greg Callahan at the number listed below, it is perhaps more advisable to contact Dutchess One-Stop directly. That number is included on the flier posted on the next page. You may also want to ask for our regular counselor Meghan Lambert by name.



**Dutchess**  
**One Stop**  
Career Center

## JOB SEARCH SKILLS SESSION

**Thursday, Mar. 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**2:30 – 4:30pm**  
**In the HPFL Annex**

Individual, half-hour sessions with Dutchess One-Stop representatives.

Get Help With:

- **Job search assistance**
- **Resume building tips**
- **Interviewing skills**
- **Job referrals**

To schedule an appointment email or call Dutchess One Stop Field Coordinator Meghan Lambert at:  
**mlambert@dutchessonestop.org**  
**(845) 249-4644**

Please include your name, phone, & desired appointment date and time in your inquiry.

Walk-ins also welcome.



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For information on any and all of these exhibits and events, call Greg at 229-7791 ext.205.

## Library Advocacy Day Follow-Up

Representatives from our library joined with hundreds of other library supporters for Library Advocacy Day in Albany to meet with our regional representatives and their staffs to advocate for library services and to state their opposition to a dramatic 4% cut to library funding in the governor's proposed budget.

We're very grateful for the support that our own Friends of the Hyde Park Library provided for the chartering of buses to the Capitol. Their support, along with that of library friends groups throughout the Mid-Hudson and Ramapo-Catskill library districts, provided library advocates with transportation to Albany for this event.

We in the Mid-Hudson region are extremely fortunate to have state representatives such as Assemblymember Didi Barrett and Senator Sue Serino, who are already staunch library advocates themselves. Assemblymember Barrett was, in fact, recently named chair of the Assembly Committee on Libraries and Education Technology. She has been a longtime advocate of libraries, including working to secure funding in the state budget, and has also worked with the Mid-Hudson Library System to create an annual Women's History booklet (the next edition of which will be available at our library later in the month).

Senator Serino has also been a tireless advocate for libraries--both in her own district and statewide--and she has seen to it that a significant amount of "bullet aid" funding has gone to libraries in her service area. Project

awards have gone to support everything from programming to technology upgrades, to renewable energy and sustainability initiatives.

Given the (bi-partisan) support of our own representatives, it's certainly understandable that some of our patrons might ask whether it's even necessary to advocate for library services to those representatives who are already in our corner. That's certainly an understandable sentiment, but even our most supportive representatives need to hear from constituents that their support of library services is deeply appreciated by the people whom they serve.

It's certainly not too late to show your support for New York's libraries and the library systems that support them. Whether you'd prefer to contact your representatives via social media, email or via their own websites, you can make your voice heard by getting in touch via the following website (provided by the New York Library Association): [www.nyla.org](http://www.nyla.org)

And thank you for your support! Our library patrons are the main source of library support on the local, state and national levels. We appreciate your advocacy and your support of libraries overall.

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