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July is Heating Up At the HP Library

July 10, 2018

Dear Hyde Park Library Patron,

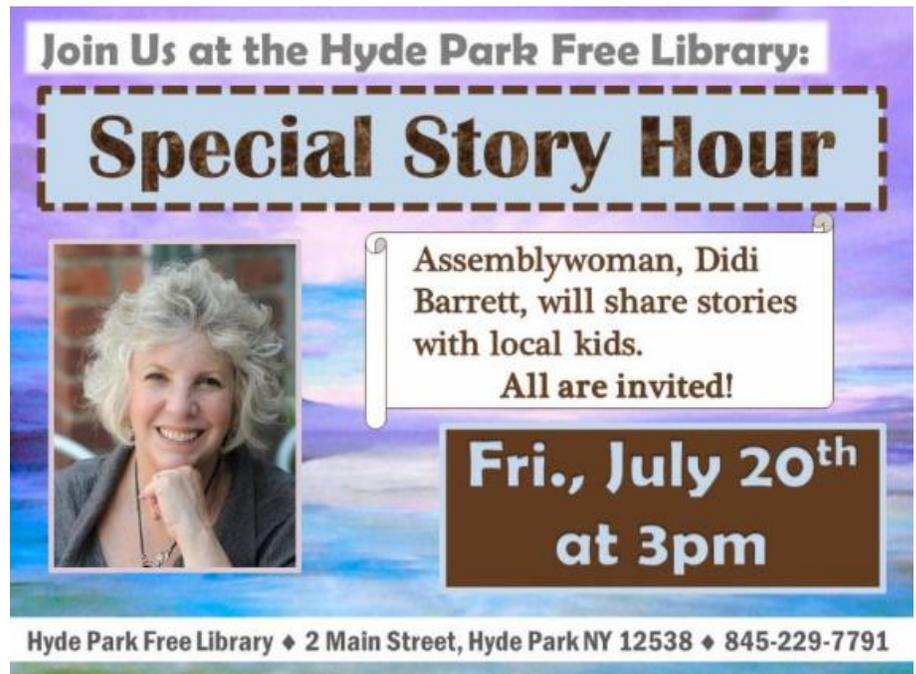
Our Summer Reading Program is off and running--with great varied special events and regular weekly programming designed to keep students reading and intellectually active throughout the long summer vacation.

We also have a recent addition to our roster of activities. Along with our regular story times, we'll be hosting Assemblymember Didi Barrett, who will be reading stories to local children at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, June 20th.

We welcome Assemblywoman Barrett—a strong supporter of our Summer Reading Program—to this library event. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Our weekly programs during the Summer Reading Program includes our regular Monday program, Be-Bop Babies (for infants to age 36 months) at 9:30 a.m. and on Tuesday Jazz For Kids (pre-K and children who have just completed Kindergarten) at 10:30 a.m. and at 1:00 p.m. our "Rock and Rollers" group (Gr.1 and up) will meet.

Our junior book club for grades 3-5 meets on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.



Join Us at the Hyde Park Free Library:

Special Story Hour

Assemblywoman, Didi Barrett, will share stories with local kids.
All are invited!

**Fri., July 20th
at 3pm**

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Our YA "Battle of the Books" sessions (for grades 6 and above), which doubles as both a book discussion group and as preparation for the upcoming regional BOB competition in September, meets Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday afternoons (at 2:00 p.m.) are reserved for special programming. On July 11 we'll be hosting "Sound Explorers" with Matt Contello which explores such topics as "spontaneous music" and "fun experiments that explore the science of sound."

On July 18th we'll once again be hosting "Animals Rock" with Jan Berlin, an occasion for kids to become acquainted with some exotic creatures (feathered, furry and scaled).

And on July 26th--also at 2:00 p.m.--we welcome facilitator Carl Welden for a very special musical program, Theremin. Children from grades 1 and up are invited to come learn about the world's first electronic instrument. And "Look Ma--and Pa--no hands!" That is to say, that the theremin is played with no direct physical contact by the performer.

These fun programs will be held in the Library Annex.

Registration is requested for all special Wednesday programming.

And don't forget Mrs. B's popular ongoing Lego/Color Club series which takes place Friday afternoons at 1:30 p.m.

Theremin

For Gr. 1 & up

Carl Welden introduces us to the Theremin - the very first electronic instrument. And it is played with no hands!!!

Plus lots of weird sounds!

**Wed. July 25th
@ 2pm in Annex**

Registration Requested

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July Music Events In the Annex

The Hyde Park Library Presents:
In Concert, Singers/Songwriters:
Jim Pospisil & Mitch Katz



**Saturday,
July 14th
@ 7pm
In the Annex**



Suggested Donation of \$10
Reservations Recommended

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Music fans will have plenty of options here at the library (and of course, there is absolutely no reason to limit themselves to just one!). Especially this coming weekend when we have two spectacular concerts.

On Saturday, July 14th at 7:00 p.m., we celebrate Bastille Day and summertime in general with a double-bill featuring two of the area's most gifted singer-songwriters, Jim Pospisil and Mitch Katz. Both artists have appeared at the library on several occasions before, and we eagerly await their return appearances as a double-bill.

Jim Pospisil's latest CD *Some Follow, Some Lead* was just released this spring. Aside from being one of the region's most acclaimed singer/songwriters, he is also a versatile multi-instrumentalist who performs regularly throughout the Hudson Valley and surrounding areas both as a solo artist, as a sideman for other artists, has played classic rock with the bands Bucket of Mud and The Feds, traditional Irish music with the band Flash Company, and now also performs with the Dylan tribute band Maggie's Farm. He produces electronic music under the name Feral Science.

Mitch Katz, whose songs run the gamut from sensitive ballads to gritty blues, is also a remarkable artist.

Also coming up this weekend (Sunday, July 15 at 3:00 p.m.), we'll be welcoming back nationally acclaimed singer-songwriter and cellist extraordinaire, Michael G. Ronstadt, who will be sharing the stage with duet partner Serenity Fisher. Michael has played here several times before (in various combos, including the family act, Ronstadt Generations, as well as solo and with Pennsylvania based singer-songwriter Aaron Nathans). This will be Serenity's debut performance here, and we look forward to welcoming them both this coming weekend.

Serenity songs have been praised for their "truth-telling, highly-visual lyrics, and dreamy melodies. [She] is a powerhouse singer whose nuanced vocals vary from bluesy belt to sultry whisper, from technical prowess to stripped down raw emotion. Her piano style is theatrical and passionate. Her music has been compared to Regina Spektor, Tori Amos and Fiona Apple."

Cellist Michael G. Ronstadt, nephew of Queen of Rock Linda Ronstadt, holds a master's degree in cello performance from the University of Cincinnati's College Conservatory of Music (CCM). Ronstadt brings a rich musical heritage and absolute knack for improvising up a storm.

The Hyde Park Library Presents:

In Concert:

Serenity Fisher & Michael G. Ronstadt:

TIM-BURTONESQUE INDIE-FOLK DUO

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Our monthly open mic will take place on Sunday, July 22nd. Sign-up and some opening music featuring Don and Maureen Black, as well as Gregory Callahan, will be at 1:30 p.m. Open mic begins at 2:00 p.m. Our featured act--a talented 20-something act with the intriguing name of *Kettles for the Witches*--will take the stage at 3:15 p.m. Our open mics go year-round, so if you have a hankering to play...or just to listen...the Hyde Park Library Annex is the place to be.

Special Program: Music of Geo. F. Root

Aside from our concerts and our monthly open mic, we're also very much looking forward to a special musical program on July 21st at 7:30 p.m. in the Library Annex.

George Frederick Root was an American songwriter who lived from 1820-1895 and rose to considerable fame during the Civil War era as the composer of such songs as "Tramp! Tramp! Tramp!" and "The Battle Cry of Freedom." He also is considered to be the first American composer to write a secular cantata.

Massachusetts based performers, Graham and Barbara Dean, have teamed up with the composer's great-great-granddaughter, Ann-Elizabeth Root Barnes, and the latter's husband, Richard Meyers, to produce a multi-media program in which Ms. Barnes provides a narration of the life of her celebrated ancestor with a slide show developed by Meyers--and with a performance of 10 of the composer's most celebrated songs.

This program promises to be an enjoyable and enriching experience, an event for music lovers and history buffs alike. Don't miss this special event.

The Hyde Park Library Presents:

**Music in the Air: The Life and Music
of George Frederick Root**

The program consists of Ann-Elizabeth Root Barnes, Root's great-great granddaughter narrating a biographical sketch of Root's amazing life, which is interspersed by 10 of Root's songs performed by Graham and Barbara Dean. Ann-Elizabeth's husband, Richard Meyers, has created a wonderful slide presentation shown throughout. The program ends with a song written by the Deans, about Root, and based on the words written on his tombstone.

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HPTA Annual Golf Outing Fundraiser

There is still time for golfers to register for Hyde Park Teachers' Association Golf Outing Fundraiser (to benefit the Hyde Park, Staatsburg and Clinton libraries) on Saturday, September 15, 2018 at the Dinsmore Golf Course.

As in previous seasons, the outing will be a "scramble format." Check-in will be at 8a.m. Shotgun start will be at 9:00 a.m.

Entry fee is \$125.00 per player and includes a gift bag, 18 holes of golf, golf cart, lunch at the turn and a buffet dinner at the Eagle's Nest, plus games and prizes and a cash prize for the top team.

Please contact Kathryn Choinski at 546-6477 for registration, sponsorships and/or donations and make any payment payable to HPTA, P.O. Box 393, Hyde Park, NY 12538.



HYDE PARK TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

· benefitting Hyde Park, Staatsburg, & Clinton libraries ~

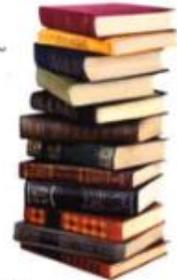
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*** CASH PRIZE for the TOP TEAM ***



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

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French Conversation Group Planned

We've been fortunate in the past to be able to offer an adult level French conversation group, and are excited to announce that we will likely be starting a new French group in the coming weeks. There will be an interest and organizational meeting with facilitator Jennifer Gilles on July 23rd at 1:00 p.m. Ms. Gilles--who has conducted similar programs in Brooklyn Public Library--will meet then with prospective participants to determine meeting schedules (frequency, actual dates), topics and more. If you might be interested but unable to attend, please contact library director Gregory Callahan at 229-7791 (ext. 205). *Allons-y!*

MORE LIBRARY NEWS

Our knitting/crocheting groups will continue to meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., a schedule that will be in place for at least the next few months. People who enjoy the fabric arts should consider attending one or both of these sessions. A great--and cool--way to spend an afternoon.

Also chess lovers should consider checking out our new chess club, which has been meeting on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. and has so far met with considerable enthusiasm. The next meeting is scheduled for the evening of August 6th.

Our mystery book discussion meets this Friday, July 13th at 12:00 p.m. This month's selection is *The Other Mother* by Carol Goodman.

The Hyde Park Writers' Group will have its first of two monthly meetings on Tuesday, July 10th at 6:30 p.m. The group will also meet on July 23rd at the same time. Emphasis is on poetry and shorter prose, but aspiring novelists and memoirists are also welcome to attend and present shorter sections of a lengthier work.

Our monthly YA book discussion group will meet on Thursday, July 12th at 7:00 p.m. This group is for all fans of YA literature. The July selection is *The Bear and the Nightingale* by Katherine Arden.

The July selection for our general interest book club is the classic play *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder. Meetings are Monday, June 23rd at 6:30 p.m. and our noontime session on Friday, July 27th.

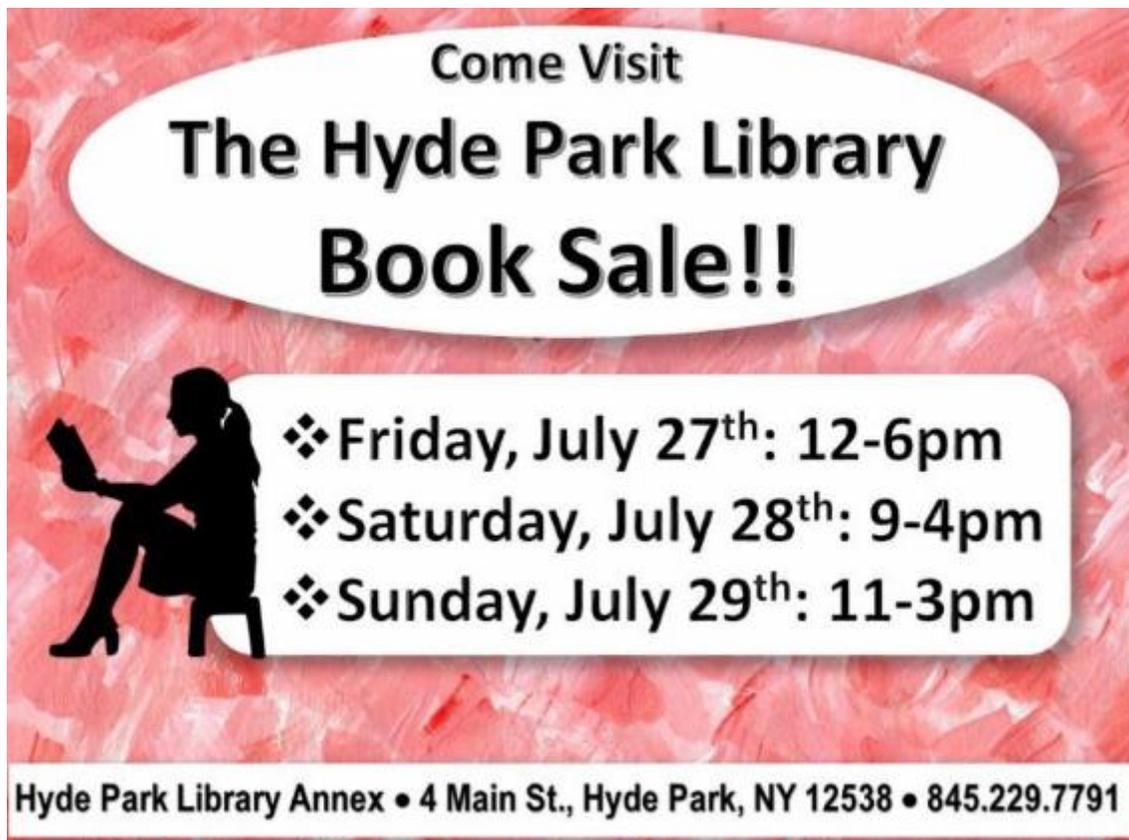
Dutchess One-Stop Job Counseling will not be meeting in July. Those seeking job or resume counseling should make an appointment for August with the One-Stop service in advance at (845)249-4644.

Our Summer Film Series, Contemporary Classic Cinema, continues this weekend with a screening of *Dancing at Lughnasa* on Friday, July 13th at 7:00 p.m. This acclaimed 1998 Irish-British-American production features a stellar cast featuring an Academy Award nominated Meryl Streep and Michael Gambon. The film was based on the acclaimed 1990 play by Brian Friel and was directed by BAFTA-winning Pat O'Connor.

Also on Saturday, July 14th at 2:00, we'll be screening the 2009 French language film *Coco Before Chanel* (*Coco Avant Chanel*), starring Audrey Tautou and American actor Alessandro Nivola (who learned French especially for his part in this film). The film was written and directed by Anne Fontaine.

The film series will break for the rest of the month and resume in August. Screenings are followed by brief discussions.

And don't forget our fabulous Summer Book Sale running from July 27th through July 29th. The Friends of the Hyde Park Library are already organizing for this event, and it should be a humdinger of a sale. Don't miss it.

A graphic with a red and white marbled background. At the top, a white oval contains the text "Come Visit The Hyde Park Library Book Sale!!". Below this, a white rounded rectangle contains a silhouette of a woman sitting and reading a book on the left, and a list of dates and times on the right: "❖ Friday, July 27th: 12-6pm", "❖ Saturday, July 28th: 9-4pm", and "❖ Sunday, July 29th: 11-3pm". At the bottom, a white bar contains the text "Hyde Park Library Annex • 4 Main St., Hyde Park, NY 12538 • 845.229.7791".

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TACONIC RESOURCES TO HOST disABILITY AND EMPLOYMENT WORKSHOPS

Coming up in August, we'll be hosting the first in series of bi-monthly workshops run by The Taconic Resources for Independence on "disAbility and Employment." These sessions will be held on the first Monday of each month at 4:30 p.m. in the Annex. The first workshop will be held on August 6th.

If you are under the age of 65 and have questions about Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), Supplemental Security Income (SSI) eligibility, or have questions about how much can you earn and keep your eligibility for Medicaid and/or Medicare, then sign-up for one of the upcoming workshops presented by the Taconic Resources for Independence's Mobile Benefits Counselor. Additional workshops will be held on October 1st and December 3rd of this year. (Please note: If you require a sign-language interpreter you must call or email two weeks in advance to Attn: Mandi (845) 452.3913 x119 or m.sheraden@taconicresources.org)

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