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Adult Programs

Monday, Sept. 29, Jan Barry, a writer and activist will present a PowerPoint presentation on the history and background of the Vietnam War from a soldier's perspective. He is one of the founders of Veteran's For Peace. He is an adjunct professor of writing at Ramapo College and St. Thomas College in Sparkill, New York. He is also a contributing writer to the Record and has been on staff there as well.

Monday, October 6, a concert with Peter Greco and his group, that will include piano, drums, and bass. As this program is close to Columbus Day, Peter will be highlighting Italian music and Italian and Italian American musicians. He is well known to local audiences and he performs locally in Emerson. He is associated with area churches in a musical capacity.

Monday, Oct 20, Harry Carson, author of the book *Captain for Life*, will have a return engagement at our library. Mr. Carson is a frequent speaker on the perils of football related brain injuries and their aftermath. Harry will be speaking briefly, and then field questions from all in attendance.

Tuesday, Sept. 16, "Travels in Asia" a travelogue by Oradell resident, Tom Jarzembowski. We will be treated to the beauties and wonders he found during his year of travel after finishing college. Don't miss it.

Celebrations of the 100th anniversary of the movie "Perils of Pauline" will also be featured in October. Tom Meyers from the Fort Lee Film Commission will be joining us and thrilling us with his movies and stories from the movie era in Fort Lee.

Some events do not have a firm date at this time. However, you may expect to receive notice of them either from Director Trause who will use the Library listserv, or from George Carter, Secretary to the Friends.

Stanford University program on health will begin on October 10th and run for 6 weeks. ■



Special Interest

Oceana Executive Chef Ben Pollinger will unveil his debut cookbook to local fans and foodies during a special fundraising event presented by the Oradell Free Public Library Foundation on Oct. 18th.

The Oradell resident's cookbook, *School of Fish*, will be released on Sept. 30th by Gallery Books. *School of Fish* features more than 100 recipes that cover Chef Pollinger's top tips for baking, roasting, braising, broiling, steaming, poaching, grilling, frying, sautéing, and seasoning.

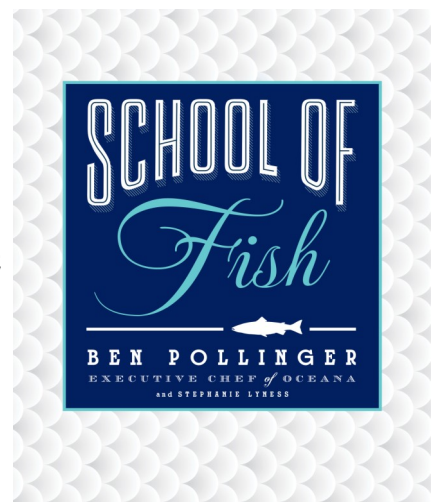
During the fundraiser, Chef Pollinger will answer questions and demonstrate techniques. His presentation will be followed by a reception, with a tasting of select dishes from *School of Fish* and a silent auction. Light refreshments, including beer and wine, will be served. The event will run from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Tickets for this special event are limited and will not be sold at the door. They are on sale at Oradell Public Library's main desk while supplies last. The cost is \$60 for entry for one guest plus one signed copy of *School of Fish* or \$100 for entry for two plus one signed copy. Cash and personal check made out to "Oradell Free Public Library Foundation" are accepted.

Need babysitting to attend? Register your kids for a special "Movie Night" during the event at Master Lee's Tae Kwon Do. Call (201) 262-1175 for details. Spots are limited. Fee applies.

For patrons unable to attend, the library's main desk is taking pre-orders for signed copies of *School of Fish*. The cost is \$35. Signed books will be available for pick-up from the library. For details and updates, visit <http://oradell.bccls.org/> or "Like" the event on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/events/704897612898755>.

All proceeds from the event and book sales will fund new technological and educational resources for Oradell Public Library's Junior Room. Funding for the event is underwritten by a grant to the Oradell Public Library Foundation from The Kenneth and Hazel Roe Foundation. ■



Amy Syracuse, Member of Friends

Local History Room

Work cataloging the Local History Collection has been moving along, perhaps a bit more slowly during the summer, but moving none the less. Two reasons for the continued progress have been Alison Garcia and Morgan Smith, two interns from River Dell who were willing to continue working with me during the summer.

One of the projects we finished was the cataloging and properly storing the growing Wally Schirra Memorabilia collection. Using a grant from the Oradell Library Foundation, Library Treasurer, James Lessersohn, was able to acquire a number of very interesting and relevant pieces of memorabilia. Some additional pieces were donated by current and prior Oradell residents. Morgan proved how handy she is, not only with a camera, but also at carefully and accurately cataloging artifacts.

Alison, on the other hand, has proven to be particularly adept at cataloging old and new photographs. Quite a large number had accumulated over the years while other work was going on, such as the transcribing of the Chapin letters, Alison dug right into the project with a vengeance. She has finished the work on over 400 photographs, doing the bulk of the cataloging without supervision. A quick review proved just how accurate she is.



Several photographers had captured scenes of the Grand Re-opening of the library in 2008. These had all been gathered and saved, but never printed and cataloged. Alison took on the challenge of selecting approximately 130 of the best images, printing them, and then doing the cataloging. Nice work, and now there is a special album covering the events of that two-day affair; the cocktail reception for large donors on Friday night and the official opening on Saturday.

It's pleasing to report that both girls have offered to continue working in the Local History Room after school opens in September.

Your Local History Room is no longer opened to the public on the schedule of First Friday of each month. Not enough people came to browse the stacks to make it worthwhile. But, you can always ask to use the room by making a request at the front desk of the library, who will then contact the Archivist/Historian.

If you have children doing local history projects, the Local History Room a good place to get information. ■

George Carter, Borough Historian/Archivist

Youth Department Librarian

Almost all of our programs in the Junior Room emphasize play. "How can we make this even more fun?" is the question that we tackle when planning our programs.

For instance, on Friday, September 26th, we will be having our Pancake Storytime & Brunch. In addition to an always interactive Storytime, we won't just be eating pancakes after. Nope. We'll be decorating our pancakes with fruit and other yummy treats to make faces or whatever our imagination inspires us to create.

When we take breaks between Storytime, we will be starting to offer more unstructured play times, such as Little Ones Playdates and DUPLO Play Time. The Playdates are primarily for infants and toddlers and their caretakers. We bring out our ever-growing collection of toys and allow a safe space for children to play and grown-ups to socialize. Our DUPLO Play Time is like a LEGO Club for the younger set. There will be themes and idea suggestions, but in the end, it's really just about play.

Starting later this winter, we will be incorporating more play and experimentation with the older kids as part of our new Makerspace, which has been made possible thanks to the Oradell Public Library Foundation, the Friends of the Library, and our many generous donors who support their fundraising efforts.

Why are we such advocates of play, especially unstructured play? The research consistently shows that unstructured play is linked to better socialization, creative thinking, problem solving and so many of the critical skills necessary for being a well-adjusted student and adult, including the ability to manage stress and be more resilient.

So the only structure required is to make plans to visit us at the library. We'll take it from there!

What else can you expect from the library this fall? An increased selection of new non-fiction books are starting to appear on our shelves. The Oradell-Emerson Rotary Club and the Oradell Public Library Foundation have both generously pledged to support our desire to increase and update our non-fiction collection. The new common core standards that are taking place in our schools will emphasize more non-fiction in the classrooms and assigned readings. We are working hard to meet this demand for our students with informative, up-to-date, and interesting books that will be great for research and school projects, but even more so, be enjoyable to read.

If you are not currently on our Junior Room email list and wish to be kept informed of our programs and relevant news, please sign up at our Junior Room circulation desk or send me an email at robin.rockman@oradell.bccls.org. We only send out emails, on average, about once a month, so it's an easy way to stay informed of all of our programs and news. ■

Robin Rockman, Youth Services Librarian

Director's Corner

On the afternoon of Thursday, May 15, 2014 I attended the Paramus Rotary Club luncheon at Seasons in Washington Township in recognition of Raymond Wells for his founding of and service to the Oradell – Emerson Rotary Club. Aside from all the other honors bestowed on Raymond Wells that afternoon for decades of service to the Rotary and perfect attendance at Rotary Club meetings, Oradell Public Library was given a donation of \$1,000 in honor of Raymond Wells to boost the Junior Room Non-Fiction collections to get them in line with the changes in the Common Core Curriculum standards that have been mandated throughout school districts in the State of New Jersey. Library Board Treasurer and Rotary Club member Anne Sullivan was also present as was Rotary Club Treasurer Mark Dance, both of whom arranged for this donation to be made, and I thank them again for this foresight and support.

A plaque noting the donation in honor of Raymond Wells was also given to the Junior Room by the Oradell – Emerson Rotary Club on Tuesday, July 1, 2014, and we had it mounted on the end of the movable Non-Fiction shelves in the Junior Room as a way not only to honor Raymond Wells but also to demonstrate the good work that the Oradell – Emerson Rotary Club does for the community and the close relationship it has with Oradell Public Library.

You can see in the photograph from left to right Youth Services Librarian Robin Rockman, me (John J. Trause, Library Director), Oradell – Emerson Rotary Club Vice-President Andy Castaldi, and Oradell – Emerson Rotary Club Treasurer Mark Dance with the donation check in front of Non-Fiction shelves in the Junior Room.

As you may already know our new IFC (Independent * Foreign * Classic) Film Club meets on fourth Mondays of every month at 7 p. m. On June 23, 2014 the group discussed *Klute* (1971), a powerful murder mystery set in New York City involving a call girl, a private detective, and a missing businessman. Twenty-one members were in attendance, including me and my co-moderator Dianne Daniele of the Friends of the Library, and special guests Tibor Sands (Tibor Munkácsi), the assistant cameraman on *Klute*, *The Godfather* (1972), *Annie Hall* (1977), and many other films, and Robert Milli of Harrington Park, N. J., the actor who played Tom Gruneman in the film *Klute*. My friend, the photographer Michaelangelo di Nonno of Wood-Ridge, N. J., who provided the introduction to Robert Milli, recorded the session on video. Robert Milli was so impressed with the IFC Film Club that he decided to join as a regular member. Reports of how enthusiastic our group was resonated throughout the Library and community. On Monday, July 28, 2014 the group discussed *Blow-Up* (1966), Michelangelo Antonioni's first entirely English

-language film, which concerns a fashion photographer, who believes he has unwittingly captured a murder on film. Sixteen members were in attendance, including Robert Milli and Michaelangelo di Nonno, who brought in as show and tell the same camera as used by David Hemmings's photographer character in *Blow-Up*. The film chosen for the next session on Monday, August 25, 2014 was *A Double Life* (1947), in which an actor becomes so obsessed with his role as the character Othello that he becomes a threat to those around him.

The film chosen for the next session on Monday, September 22, is *The Night of the Hunter* (1955), the chilling film about a murderous preacher in the Depression-era Midwest, and a quintessential American drama, the only film British actor Charles Laughton ever directed. ■

John J. Trause, Library Director



SPECIAL NOTES

Patron Experience Survey Coming Soon

Use your library voice! And not the quiet one either. This fall, Oradell Public Library will be asking patrons to speak up and speak out by taking a patron experience survey. Responses will help inform Oradell Public Library's strategic planning moving forward. Stay tuned for details. ■

Oradell Public Library to Launch New Website

You will soon find a newly designed Library website when you go to Oradell.bccls.org. Once we go live, you will find all you need to know about the Library and its many services, programs, displays, and other points of interest. Let's stay on the same page! ■

Information Services Librarian

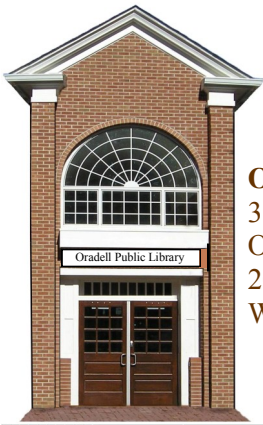
Interested in joining in on a lively, book discussion? The Oradell Library offers a morning book club and an evening book club. Usually, the Oradell Morning Book Club meets at 11 am on the 4th or the last Tuesday of the month. Typically, the Oradell Evening Book Club meets at 7 pm on the third Wednesday of the month. All are welcome to join either the Evening or the Morning Book Club or both. Listed below are the upcoming book club meetings dates as well as the books chosen to discuss.

Oradell Morning Book Club

September 30, 2014 - 11 am - *Killshot* (1989) by Elmore Leonard
October 28, 2014 - 11 am - *Orphan Train* (2012) by Christina Baker Kline

Oradell Evening Book Club

September 17, 2014 - 7 pm - *Zlata's Diary: A Child's Life in Sarajevo* (1993) by Zlata Filipović
October 15, 2014 - 7 pm - *The Mirrored World* (2012) by Debra Dean



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Fall/winter Library Hours:	
Monday – Wednesday	10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Thursday – Friday	10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday	Closed

The Friends of the Library

Have you become a Friend Yet??

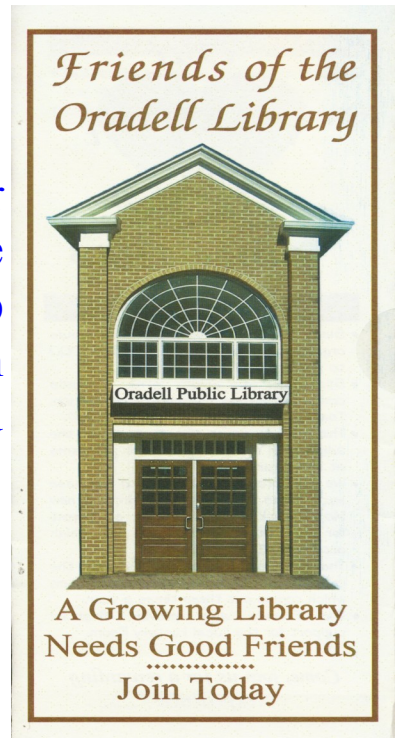
Have you renewed your membership for 2014??

We're spending hundreds and hundreds of dollars buying museum passes and vouchers, and supporting all kinds of programs.

But, we need your support to keep it going. Won't you help??

Look for our brochure in the library, pick up your museum passes, and have fun.

Thank you!



Library Meetings
 Board of Trustee, Second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., Lower Level Room
 Friends of the Library, First Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m., Youth Department