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LIBRARY SYSTEM

May 2011

CHECK IT OUT

ELMER E. ELLSWORTH: SON OF MALTA

By Paul Perreault, Malta Town Historian

On May 24, 1861, the first Union officer to die in the Civil War, Col. Elmer E. Ellsworth, was shot and killed while removing a Confederate flag that had been flying over a hotel in Alexandria, Virginia. The flag had been brought to his attention by Abraham Lincoln, a close friend, who could see it from the White House. Elmer was born in Malta on April 11, 1837 on the spot where the Malta Dinner now stands and spent his early years here before moving to Mechanicville.



Ellsworth and Abraham Lincoln had become friends during Lincoln's quest for the presidency in 1860. When Lincoln learned of his young friend's death, he was observed crying and said "I will make no apology, gentlemen for my weakness. but I knew poor Ellsworth well, and held him in great regard." The President ordered that the funeral service be held in the White House and 10,000 mourners in New York City and Albany viewed the body also. His final resting place is in the Hudson View Cemetery in Mechanicville. His tragic death sent a shock throughout the North. Tens of thousands of young men who became known as "Ellsworth's Avengers" enlisted in the union army and "Remember Ellsworth" became the battle cry of the early war period.

The city of Mechanicville, the Town of Malta, and Saratoga County have declared May 24, 2011, the 150th anniversary of his death, "Col. Elmer Ellsworth Day." On Wednesday, May 4, Chris Morton, a curator at the New York State Military Museum, will discuss the Ellsworth related artifacts at the Museum. Included in the collection is Ellsworth's military tunic with a bullet hole in the left breast and the "Marshall House Flag" which was the cause of his death. The program will take place at 6:45 PM at the Malta Branch of the Round Lake Library.



Image courtesy New York State Military Museum

ELLSWORTH'S LEGACY

*Wednesday, May 4 at 6:45pm
at the Malta Branch*

Join us for a discussion and display of artifacts, featuring Chris Morton, curator at the New York State Military Museum.

On May 15 the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War will hold a reenactment of Ellsworth's funeral at the Hudson View Cemetery. Beginning at 9 AM a funeral procession will make its way from the Mechanicville High School to the cemetery. Bus transportation will be available from the school to the cemetery.

On May 24 the USPS will man a satellite postal station at the Malta Town Hall from 10 AM until 2 PM. All stationary with a first class postage stamp will be cancelled with a specially designed postal cancellation honoring Ellsworth. The art work was designed by JC Parker, a Malta resident.



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LIBRARY CLUB NEWS

KNITTING GROUP

Tuesday, May 31 at 4pm
at the Malta Branch

Please join us for our first working meeting. Bring a work-in-progress (knitting or crocheting) or start a new one. Instructions are available. All levels of ability are welcome.

Moderator: Roberta Ambrosino



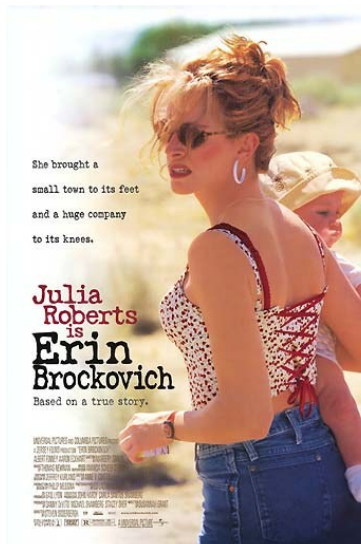
AMERICAN MOVIE CLUB

Friday, May 20 at 6pm
at Clark House

Erin Brockovich

Starring Julia Roberts and Albert Finney

Moderator: Kimberley Debus
Please bring a dish to share.

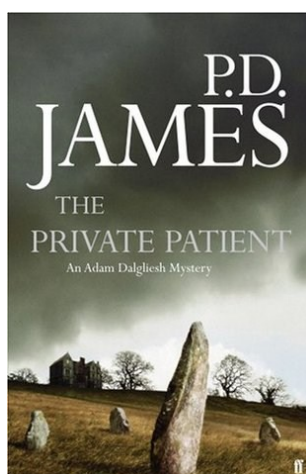


MORNING BOOK CLUB

Thursday, May 12 at 11am
at the Malta Branch

The Private Patient
by P.D. James

Moderator: Shirley Ryan

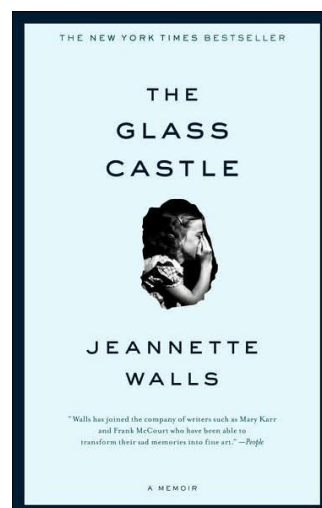


EVENING BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, May 10 at 7pm
at the Malta Branch

The Glass Castle: A Memoir
by Jeannette Walls

Moderator: Charlene Durham



TEEN BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, May 3, 4:30pm
at the Malta Branch

Catching Fire
by Suzanne Collins

Moderator: Aidan Bean



TWEEN BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, May 24, 4:30pm
at the Malta Branch

The Sisters Grimm: The Unusual Suspects
by Michael Buckley

Moderator: Barbara Hartman

If you would like to join us for any of our book clubs, call us at the branch where the club is meeting, and we will order a copy of our current book for you. Snacks are provided for the Teen and Tween book clubs.

If you would like to join us for our movie club, call Clark House at 899-2285 and let us know you're coming, and bring a dish to share.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW TEEN STUDY BAR!



This beautifully-crafted counter helps define the Teen Area, and is used by other groups too—the American Movie Club, for examples, uses it for desserts! Thanks to Nick for this wonderful addition to our library!

Eagle scout Nick Morelli's service project this winter? Build a bar.

Specifically, Nick built a teen study bar, that serves as workspace and shelving for the teen area upstairs in Clark House.



LIBRARY PAGE WINS AWARD

On April 14, 2011, ten area high school and college students received the Capital District Library Council Outstanding Student Employee Award for their work in area libraries. Barbara Beverley, President of CDLC's Board of Trustees, served as Master of Ceremonies for the event, which was held at the CDLC offices. Sharon Phillips of the New York State Talking Book and Braille Library, spoke to the students, their families and supervisors about her varied experiences as a librarian, and about the need for librarians in special libraries like the Talking Book and Braille Library. Award winners, chosen for their commitment and dedication, time management skills, excellent patron services and colleague interaction, responsibility, peer leadership, interest and initiative, were presented with a certificate and a CDLC monogrammed portfolio and USB drive.



The Outstanding Student Employee Award was established to reward excellence among young library workers, both to exemplify the high standards sought in library staff and to inspire investigation of librarianship as a career goal. Award winners are encouraged to note this acknowledgement of their exemplary work on resumes and job applications.

The 2011 Award was presented to: Dylan Bruening and Michelle Hand of the Guilderland Public Library; Rebecca Selig of the Round Lake Library; Carly Bennett and Vanessa Bishop-Pointer of The Sage Colleges; Terrance Logan and Christina Manning of Siena College; and Jamie Anderson, Kimberly Blecich and Chelsea Curtis of Union College.



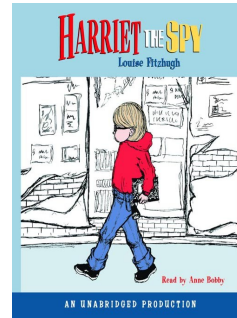
Since 1919, Children's Book Week has been celebrated in libraries and communities across the country. Once celebrated in November, it moved to a May event.

From May 2-8, both locations of Round Lake Library will highlight one children's author per day. Come in and see if your favorite author has his/her books on display that day. Let us know your favorite author.

Children 15 and younger can nominate their favorite author or book. If your name is drawn, you win a prize!

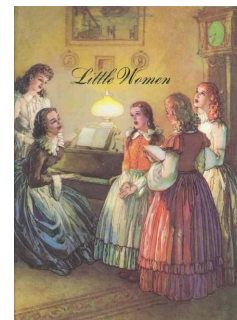
Not under 15? Pick up a children's book and rediscover the joy of being a kid again.

What's Your Favorite Children's Book?



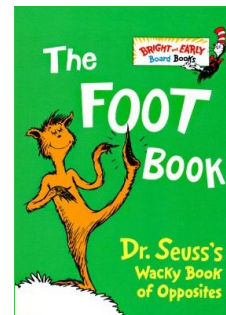
Harriet the Spy
by Louise Fitzhugh

Carrie Woerner
Trustee,
Village of Round Lake



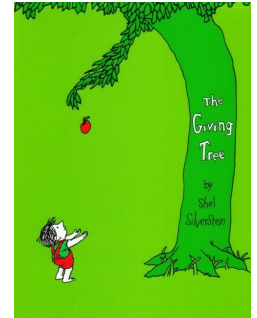
Little Women
by Louisa May Alcott

Carol Sheffer
Round Lake
Library Director



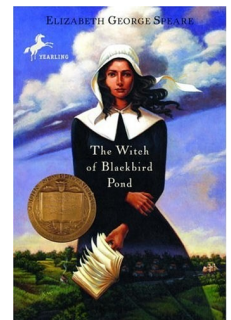
The Foot Book
by Doctor Seuss

Peggy Sue Sherman
Bartender,
Bentleys Tavern



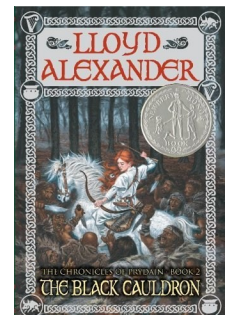
The Giving Tree
by Shel Silverstein

Cliff Lange
Former Councilperson,
Town of Malta

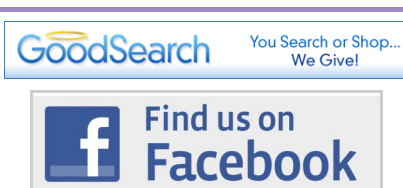
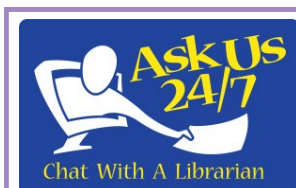


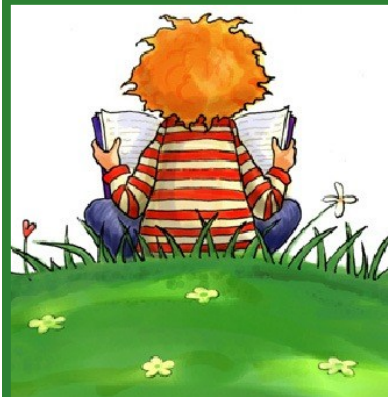
Witch of Blackbird Pond
by Elizabeth George Speare

Kimberley Debus
President,
Word Alchemy, Inc



The Black Cauldron
by Lloyd Alexander





Children's Programs

Preschool Movie Day

Monday, May 16 at 1pm at the Malta Branch

Tuesday, May 24 at 1pm at Clark House

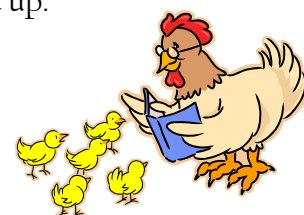
Join us for a series of short films based on favorite children's books and television shows.

Read the Book, Watch the Movie

Saturday, May 21 at 11:30am at Clark House

Pick up your copy of *Charlotte's Web* at Clark House or the Malta Branch, and join on to watch and discuss! For ages 8 and up.

Baby, Toddler, and Preschool Programs



Toddler Story Time

Clark House:

Tuesdays at 10:30am (5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 4/24)

Malta Branch:

Thursdays at 10:30am (5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26)

Preschool Story Time

Clark House:

Wednesdays at 2pm (5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25)

Malta Branch:

Wednesdays at 10:45am (5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25)

Baby & Me

Clark House: Alternate Tuesdays at 11:15am (5/10, 5/24)



Family Game Night

Friday, May 6 at 6:30pm
at the Malta Branch

Join us for a great evening of games for the whole family.

Bring a game to share!

TEEN MOVIE: AQUAMARINE

Tuesday, May 10 at 4pm
at Clark House

EMMA ROBERTS · SARA PAXTON · JOJO



A Fish-Out-Of-Water Comedy
AQUAMARINE

Bring a friend!

Enjoy a snack!

Watch a great movie!

Using Your eReader

Thursday, May 12 at 6:30pm
at the Malta Branch

Thursday, May 19 at 6:30pm
at Clark House

Learn the in's and out's of using the Nook, Kindle, and Sony Reader. You'll learn how to download books and get the most out of your eReader.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Date	Time	Location	Activity
Monday, May 2	4-5pm	Clark House/Malta Branch	Read to Jasmine/Read to Casey
Tuesday, May 3	10:30am	Clark House	Toddler Story Time
Tuesday, May 3	4:30pm	Malta Branch	Teen Book Club
Wednesday, May 4	10:45am	Malta Branch	Preschool Story Time
Wednesday, May 4	2pm	Clark House	Preschool Story Time
Wednesday, May 4	6:45pm	Malta Branch	Ellsworth's Legacy
Thursday, May 5	10:30am	Malta Branch	Toddler Story Time
Friday, May 6	6:30pm	Malta Branch	Family Game Night
Monday, May 9	4-5pm	Clark House/Malta Branch	Read to Jasmine/Read to Casey
Tuesday, May 10	10:30am	Clark House	Toddler Story Time
Tuesday, May 10	11:15am	Clark House	Baby and Me
Tuesday, May 10	4pm	Clark House	Teen Movie: <i>Aquamarine</i>
Tuesday, May 10	7pm	Clark House	Board of Trustees
Tuesday, May 10	7pm	Malta Branch	Evening Book Club
Wednesday, May 11	10:45am	Malta Branch	Preschool Story Time
Wednesday, May 11	2pm	Clark House	Preschool Story Time
Thursday, May 12	10:30am	Malta Branch	Toddler Story Time
Thursday, May 12	11am	Malta Branch	Thursday Morning Book Club
Thursday, May 12	6:30pm	Malta Branch	Using Your eReader
Monday, May 16	1pm	Malta Branch	Preschool Movie Day
Monday, May 16	4-5pm	Clark House/Malta Branch	Read to Jasmine/Read to Casey
Tuesday, May 17	10:30am	Clark House	Toddler Story Time
Wednesday, May 18	10:45am	Malta Branch	Preschool Story Time
Wednesday, May 18	2pm	Clark House	Preschool Story Time
Thursday, May 19	10:30am	Malta Branch	Toddler Story Time
Thursday, May 19	6:30pm	Malta Branch	Using Your eReader
Thursday, May 19	7pm	Village Community Room	WRLIS meeting
Friday, May 20	6pm	Clark House	American Movie Club: <i>Erin Brockovich</i>
Saturday, May 21	11:30am	Clark House	Read the Book, Watch the Movie
Monday, May 23	4-5pm	Clark House/Malta Branch	Read to Jasmine/Read to Casey
Tuesday, May 24	10:30am	Clark House	Toddler Story Time
Tuesday, May 24	11:15am	Clark House	Baby and Me
Tuesday, May 24	1pm	Clark House	Preschool Movie Day
Tuesday, May 24	4:30pm	Malta Branch	Tween Book Club
Wednesday, May 25	10:45am	Malta Branch	Preschool Story Time
Wednesday, May 25	2pm	Clark House	Preschool Story Time
Thursday, May 26	10:30am	Malta Branch	Toddler Story Time
Monday, May 30 BOTH LOCATIONS CLOSED for Memorial Day			
Tuesday, May 31	4pm	Malta Branch	Knitting Group