



CHECK IT OUT!



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ YOUR LIBRARY

NOVEMBER 2008

MEET OUR STAFF - MONA LISA STASILLI-HADCOCK

Mona Lisa Stasilli-Hadcock started at the Town of Ballston Community Library in January, 2007. She was born in Herkimer, NY, one of 7 children.

After a year at SUNY Brockport, Mona Lisa moved to Southern California where she earned an Associate's Degree in Humanities from Mt. San Jacinto College.

After 28 years in CA, ML moved back to upstate NY to reunite with her high school sweetheart, Jim Hadcock. When you add in Jim's 7 children, it makes for a lively household.

Mona Lisa's hobbies include cooking & baking, sewing, arts & crafts, and traveling. Mona also sings and plays the guitar, and has performed in many groups from Country to Top 40 and most recently a wedding band. Mona Lisa currently is part of a mother/daughter duet called "Lipstik and Lashes", performing in local coffee houses. Mona Lisa also hosts a very popular Sing-a-long program for children here at our library on Tuesdays at 10:30.

Mona Lisa has 3 grown children, Jorge, Rogerio and Vanessa, and 4 wonderful grandsons, Christian, Micah, Tristan, and Sasha. She loves spending time with them.

MONA LISA RECOMMENDS

Stories of triumph over adversity

Like Water For Chocolate, by Laura Esquivel

Strange Fits of Passion, by Anita Shreve

All That Matters, by Jan Goldstein

Beautiful Boy, by David Sheff

The Glass Castle, by Jeannette Walls

Angela's Ashes, by Frank McCourt

BOARD NEWS

The next library board meeting will be held on:
Wednesday, December 3, 2008
at 7 PM in the library community room.

The public is invited to attend.

FRIENDS MEETING

9 AM December 2

in the Library Community Room

New Friends are always welcome

Computer Classes - Programs are free, but registration is required. Call 399-8174 or visit the library or our website for more information. Individual instruction available by appointment only.

Craigslist

Learn how to buy & sell locally using the internet.
Wednesday, November 5th, 6 PM

PowerPoint

Knowledge of Power Point is a must for this class. This workshop will include creating a slideshow, do's & don'ts, & presentation tips.

Towel Origami & Napkin Folding Workshop

Are you entertaining for the holidays? Learn to make towel animals for the bed just like the ones they make on cruise ships, then learn some fancy napkin folds for the table.

This family program is free and open to all. A lot of the techniques are easier with two people. Bring 2 bath towels, a hand towel, and a washcloth for the towel origami, and a cloth napkin for the napkin folding (starched is easier).

There will be hand outs to bring home with you.

Thursday, November 20th, 6:30-8 PM

Tree Lighting and Holiday Party

Join the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Business and Professional Association, the Burnt Hills Fire Department, the Rotary Club, the Library, and Santa for the tree lighting ceremony on Tuesday, December 2nd, at 6:30 PM, then head over to the BH-BL High School Auditorium for the Community Concert at 7:30 PM.

Knitwits - Social knitting group for fiber fanatics of all sorts. Knitting assistance available. Third Monday of the month (unless it's a holiday) in the library community room.
Next Meeting - November 17th, 7-9 PM

TOWN OF BALLSTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

2 Lawmar Lane
Burnt Hills, NY 12027

Phone: 518-399-8174
Fax: 518-399-1687

Closings

The Library will be closed:
• Tuesday, November 11th
for Veteran's Day.
• Thursday & Friday,
November 27th & 28th,
for Thanksgiving.

VISIT US ONLINE

HTTP://CATALOG.SALS.EDU
HTTP://TOBLIBRARY.SALS.EDU
E-MAIL: KDEANGELO@SALS.EDU
HTTP://TOBY.SALS.EDU
E-MAIL: RDARLING@SALS.EDU

Library Hours

Monday -Thursday 10 AM - 8 PM
Friday - Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM
Closed Sunday

**N
O
V
E
M
B
E
R
D
I
S
P
L
A
Y**

In the Display Case

Simone McGuiness' Snowmen

In the Children's Room

Judy Kaplan's Penguins

In the Community Room

The Artwork of Paul Kant

**B
O
O
K**

**D
I
S
P
L
A
Y
S**

Downstairs

Homemade Holidays

Children's Room

Give Thanks

Teen Space

Visit the Past

**The Book Club
is reading:**

*The Other Side
of the Bridge*

by Mary Lawson



Story Time Programs

Baby Time - Every Monday at 1:00 PM. Pre-walkers and their caregivers will bounce, sing and play while developing early literacy skills, then stay and play!

Toddler Time - Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 10:30 AM. We'll use books, music, finger plays & the felt board to develop literacy skills while having fun, then stay and play! For kids three and under and their caregivers.

Preschool Story Time - Every Monday at 6:30 PM, Wednesday at 1:00 PM & Thursday at 10:30 AM. Books, songs, finger plays and a craft for 3 – 6 year-olds and their caregivers, followed by playtime!

Music with Miss Mona - Every Tuesday at 10:30 AM. A family sing-along aimed at the 3-6 year-old child, followed by playtime.

**No Programs November 3-7 (Conference Week)
November 27th & 28th - Library Closed**

Family Programs

Wii Have Fun Together

Come and play at the library! Try out the library's Wii (generously purchased by the Friends of the Library), play ping pong or board games.

Thursday Evenings at the library 6:00 – 7:30 PM

Elementary Programs

Second Saturdays - Spend the Second Saturday of each month at the library doing SCIENCE! We will do a different experiment each month

November 8th, 1-2 PM. Grades 1-5

Story Crafting - A Read-a-loud with picture books, short stories and poems; followed by related crafts and activities.

November 20th, 4:00-5:00 PM. Grades K-3

4th & 5th Grade Book Club

A book club for kids who love to read! We'll talk about great books, choose what the book club will read and, of course, have snacks! We will meet on November 20th, from 4:00-5:00 PM.

Pick up *The Kid Who Ran for President*, by Dan Gutman, at the library for the November meeting.

Library Book Club

For 6th & 7th Grade students & an important adult (parent, grandparent, etc.) First meeting: Thursday, December 4th, from 7-8 PM in the Town of Ballston Community Library Community Room. Sign up and pick up a copy of the book *Hoot*, an ecological mystery by Carl Hiaasen, at either the Speck Media Center at O'Rourke Middle School, or at the Town of Ballston Community Library.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Next Meeting November 10th, 2:30-3:00.

Snacks will be served.