

# CLINTON-ESSEX-FRANKLIN LIBRARY

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# NEWSLETTER

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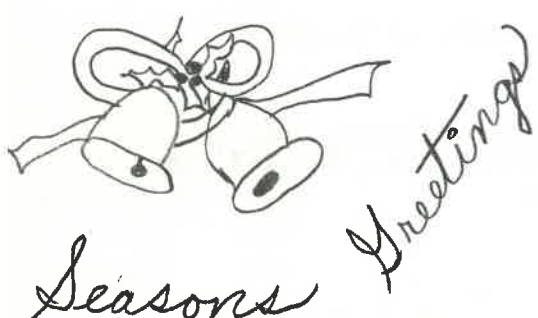
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BEST WISHES TO ALL

FOR A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

FROM THE CEFL STAFF

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December, 1971

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE N.Y.L.A. CONFERENCE

A resolution establishing a Public Library Section within NYLA was approved at the annual business meeting. This should make NYLA even more relevant to our member libraries...ANYLTS has received new LSCA funds and is solvent again. They hope to get a pilot cataloging project under way in May, 1972...All council and board meetings will now be open to all members.

## INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR GIFT BOOKS

Occasionally a person donating books to the library will request a written receipt listing a monetary value for the gift for income tax purposes...In checking with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service it was learned that a public library may assign a value to gift books, and if the amount seems reasonable to the I.R.S. adjudicator there is little chance that the figure would be questioned. If the library does not assign a value to the gift, the donor may do so himself, and again, if it seems reasonable to the I.R.S. adjudicator there would be little reason for the amount listed to be questioned...

If a member librarian wishes to accommodate a donor and state a monetary value, she may wish to consider the policy of a large public library in the East, which allows 50¢ per hardcover book and 10¢ per paperback book. (Excerpted from Mohawk Valley Library Association News)

## BIBLIOGRAPHY ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS

In 1968 the North Country Reference and Research Resources Council published

a union catalog of local historical material: Historical Materials Relating to Northern New York. They would now like to revise the list.

Each library should have received recently another copy of the 1968 bibliography to be used to verify their present entries and to make any additions or corrections. If you have not received your copy, please contact Rose Waddell at CEF headquarters and she will see that your copy is sent.

#### NEW ADIRONDACK BOOK

May we recommend to your area history collections a new book: Old Times in the Adirondacks, by the late Adirondack photographer, Seneca Ray Stoddard.

43 photographs and drawings illustrate the fascinating story of Stoddard's extended trip through the Adirondacks in 1873.

Edited, with a biographical sketch of Stoddard by Maitland DeSormo, this new book is available by ordering direct from Adirondack Yesteryears Inc., Box 463, Saranac Lake, New York 12983, at \$7.50 per copy plus 85¢ postage.

#### NEW LIBRARY FOR INDIANS AT HOGANSBURG

The system has received approval of a \$5000 LSCA Federal grant to purchase library materials for the Akwesasne Library Cultural Center at Hogansburg.

The center planned by the St. Regis Mohawk Indians with the cooperation of many individuals, organizations and agencies was opened to the public on September 25, 1971.

Mrs. Minerva White, Director, and three library aides, Mrs. Margaret Jacobs, Mrs. Beatrice Cole and Mrs. Annie Rourke, staff the library 35 hours, six days a week.

The center is still in need of all kinds of library material and equipment. The grant for library materials procured by the system will be used to acquire books and other audio-visual materials. The emphasis in selection will be on subjects to meet the practical needs of the Indians, the idea being to overcome some of their economic disadvantages.

#### 1971-72 LSCA

Two LSCA Title I grants have been approved. They are:

Disadvantaged - Materials grant for the Indians \$5000

Metropolitan Library Improvement - Reference Personnel grant \$15,000.

This grant supplies a reference person at Plattsburgh Public Library.

This person also assists with system requests.

#### A REMINDER FROM OUR CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

Please return your pre-school services survey form by December 15. These forms will be used to compile a directory of agencies working with pre-school children.

#### ART PRINTS

Each member library now has a collection of art prints for circulation to its

patrons. We remind you now that if any print(s) has not circulated for some time, it may be exchanged for a different print.

We have received several requests for source information for the prints. We bought our prints from two sources:

New York Graphic Society, Ltd.  
Greenwich, Connecticut 06830

(prints with wire hangers)

Harry N. Abrams, Inc.  
110 East 59th Street  
New York, New York 10022

(prints with notched hangers)

### SLIDES

At the October 18 librarians' meeting we decided to recall all the slides and circulate them from CEF headquarters. In this manner a patron, by request, can gain ready access to the whole collection. If you have not returned yours, please return them on your next pick-up date.

We will shortly be compiling a list of the entire slide collection and distributing it to member libraries.

### NEW BOARD MEMBERS

We are pleased to announce the recent appointment of two new members to our board: Mrs. Elaine Edmonds of Keene Valley, who is replacing Mrs. Jane Lape who resigned, and Mr. Raymond Clark of Westport, who is replacing Mr. Stuart Ludlum who resigned because of leaving our area.

### OBITUARY

We regret to inform you that Mrs. Harold Sayre, the librarian at Wadhams, passed away suddenly last fall. Though Mrs. Sayre had been somewhat ill and a semi-invalid for some years, yet she still spearheaded the establishment of the library at Wadhams in the face of many difficulties. Her enthusiasm and devotion are difficult to equal.

### CHAMPLAIN

The Champlain Literary Club organized a house-to-house canvass for the purpose of raising funds for the library. We are encouraged to see this type of local support for the local library. The drive netted approximately \$500 for the library.

### CHAZY

The recent rummage sale for the benefit of the library was quite successful. However, the weatherman did not cooperate as well for the second-hand book sale, so this did not fare quite so well...The story hour has been held on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m....The Friends of the Library Christmas Tea on December 5 was well attended and enjoyed by all.

KEENE VALLEY

On November 12 the Keene Valley Library celebrated Children's Book Week with a showing of "Dick Wittington and his Cat." There were 75 children and adults in attendance.

MOOERS

The library board recently voted to purchase a second resource center - a shelving unit on costers....The annual Membership drive was held in October.

PLATTSBURGH

The monthly adult film series is being held on Wednesday nights from October to May. Also a bi-weekly young adult film series is being held on Wednesdays, October to May. CEF and state films are being used....Saturdays are busy with story and film hours for younger children and drama club in the afternoon for 8-12 year olds....A weekly filmstrip series is being shown at the Bouyea Ct. Branch.

SARANAC LAKE

The Adirondack Room received some excellent publicity in a recent issue of the news journal of the Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation. This was one of the best library feature articles we have seen in a local periodical for some time...The library reports that circulation figures have more than doubled in the last four years. Congratulations....Preserved animal skulls from the collection of Arthur H. Robertson have been on display at the library. They ranged in size from the weasel to the grizzly bear.

TUPPER LAKE

The Magic Carpet Story Hour for 4-year olds this year has an extra session due to increased enrollment. The 45 minute sessions take place on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

WADHAMS

Mrs. Ruth E. Peters is the new librarian at the Wadhams Free Library, replacing Mrs. Sayre who passed away recently. She comes with good experience, having served many years as a school librarian on Long Island....The new room at the library will be dedicated to Mrs. Sayre at an open house tentatively set for December 18.... Mrs. Sharon Auson is now the secretary-treasurer of the library, replacing Mrs. Sayre.

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