

# Speaking Volumes

## From the Director– Barbara A. McDade

Did you know that any student, seventeen or younger, may attend Bangor Symphony Orchestra concerts or rehearsals FREE when accompanied by a paying adult, just by showing his or her Bangor Public Library card? The next concert is March 12 at the Maine Center for the Arts and includes Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto, Op. 35 in D major. There are also concerts on April 23 and May 21. The May 21 concert includes Saint-Saens's Carnival of the Animals, which many consider a good introduction to classical music. For more information about the Bangor Symphony and its schedule, check out the Symphony's web site: [www.bangorsymphony.com](http://www.bangorsymphony.com)

The Library also offers a day pass for a family (2 to 4 people with at least one child) to the Maine Discovery Museum. The pass is given on a first-come-first serve basis to Library card-carrying patrons. A family may

use the pass once every two months. This pass was made possible by a grant from the city's Commission for Cultural Development. For information on hours and exhibits at the Maine Discovery Museum, see its web site: [www.mainediscoverymuseum.org](http://www.mainediscoverymuseum.org)

During March you will see a display of Russian literature and in April, books about Aroostook County. We hope these displays enhance Penobscot Theatre goers' enjoyment of Chekhov's Uncle Vanya in March and John Cariani's Almost, Maine in April. Chekhov's plays, according to Penobscot Theatre, are the "foundation of modern realistic drama." The Library will be featuring Chekhov and other Russian authors to either entice you to see the production, or to help satisfy a craving for more Russian literature after seeing

the play. To see the Penobscot Theatre's offerings check out its web site at [PTC.maineGuide.com/](http://PTC.maineGuide.com/)

Visit the showcase on the marble staircase to see a new display on Dow Air Field and, in the Rotunda, see artifacts of early medicine in Bangor. Both these exhibits are from the Bangor Museum and Center for History. We are displaying these artifacts while its building is being renovated.

You may see a theme here. These are examples of ways that the downtown arts and cultural organizations collaborate. Directors of these groups meet once a month to talk about common problems and ways that we can provide better services. It's an exciting group. It is amazing that a community our size can support and provide so many quality cultural programs!

## Supporting Our Troops

The January 24, 2006 Christian Science Monitor showed Bangorite Kay Lebowitz greeting the troops. Many of the national media have covered the dedication of the Troop Greeters at the Bangor International Airport. But "Supporting our Troops" is nothing new for Bangor. The Library found this picture in its archives of World War I Veterans providing a treat to the "boys" on active duty at Dow Field

in 1944. This photo resides in the Library's collection along with more recent images of troops returning from the Middle East. Remember that the Bangor Public Library is a safe repository for family photos and documents that will tell your story in the future... just as this photo told the story of Bangor's rich history of "Supporting Our Troops."



## March/April Art



Robert Shetterly  
Sarah Theriault-Cotton  
J. Palmer Libby  
Linda Grandmaison

The Library sends its sympathy to the family of Jane Saxl. Jane served as president of the Friends of the Library for the past several years and was always a delight to work with. She was a special "Friend" to the Library and we will miss her.



## Gift Books

Given in Memory of Rena M. Gates  
by Marjorie R. Cabral  
*Karate for Kids*

Given by Madeline Leavitt  
*If You Decide to Go to the Moon*  
*Bee-Bim Bop!*

Given in memory of Florence "Polly"  
Perry Eaton by Bradford and Alice  
Wellman- "She loved reading aloud."  
*Winter Lights*  
*A was once an Apple Pie*

Given in honor of the marriage of  
Stephanie Paige Ingle & Millard Fil-  
more Coffin III by Bradford and Al-  
ice Wellman  
*Wide Open Spaces*  
*The Temperate Forest*  
*Glaciers*  
*Plate Tectonics*  
*The Island that Moved*  
*Geologists*  
*Hurricanes*



Given by Lawrence J. McCluskey  
*Poetry Speaks to Children*

Given by Susan & Robert Bulay  
*The Quilt that Walked to Golden*

Given in Memory of my Father, Perley M.  
Stevens, by Ruey & John Baldwin  
*There Was a Land*

If you wish to give a book, or make a donation to the Library,  
call 947-8336 for information.

Given in Honor of George Hale & his 50 Years of Broad-  
casting by Joanne & Sanford Miller  
*Mind Game*

Given in Memory of Malcom E. Morrell, Jr. by Gross,  
Minsky & Mogul  
*The Moral Consequences of Economic Growth*

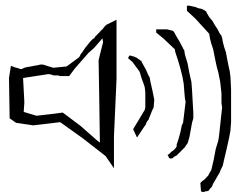
Given in Honor of Dr. Philip L. Mossman & Mary  
Ranlett by John Ranlett & Mary Becker Ranlett  
*The Divide*  
*Thicker Than Water*

Given in Memory of Elizabeth "Jeem"  
Trowbridge  
by George & Muriel Castillo  
*Explorers*  
by Bradford and Alice Wellman  
*Every Book Its Reader*  
*Gardening with Tulips*  
*Cuisines of Spain*  
*In Beauty May She Walk*  
by Helen J. Pegelow  
*Hidden Kitchen*  
by Priscilla S. Stringham  
*Complete Plays of Chekhov*  
by Elizabeth Morinelli  
*Leave Me Alone, I'm Reading*  
by the Highlands of Pittsfield, N.Y.  
*Vegetable Love*  
by the Persian Pickle Book Club  
*London*  
*Faces of Science*  
*She Got Up Off the Couch*  
*Angle of Repose*  
*Humble Masterpieces*  
*In a Chinese City*  
*Empire of the Moguls*  
*China*  
*Age of Conversation*  
*Spunk & Bite*  
by Jeanne P. Whitten  
*Rome from the Ground Up*

Given in Honor of Alice Wellman from her  
Husband Brad  
*Collected Poems of Constance Hunting:*  
*1969-1982*  
*Selves*  
*Collected Poems of Jane Kenyon*  
*Double Going*  
*Speaking Fire at Stones*  
*In the Palm of Your Hand*  
*Kneeling Orion*  
*Auguries of Innocence*  
*Poet's Companion*

Given in Memory of Edward S. Calder-  
wood, Sgt., U.S. Army by Max Calderwood  
*Weapons & Field Gear of the No. Vietnamese*  
*Army & Viet Cong*

## A Special Announcement From the Staff



**QUIET AREAS**

If you don't tell us, we don't know. We have had several complaints recently that some patrons are being loud and discourteous. We are sorry this happens. Please tell a staff member. If you just leave the building and tell us about it a few days later, there is nothing we can do about it. We have a large building. Keep in mind, that the third floor reading areas are quiet areas. The 2nd floor reading areas may have conversations in normal tones, and the Children's Department may have squeals of delight. Please be civil and respect others' use of the Library.

## March/April Calendar

Mar 8 1PM & 4PM Meet Robert  
Shetterly author/artist Americans Who Tell  
the Truth— Lecture Hall

Mar 25 2PM Coffee House Concert, Laura  
Galucci Strings, in the Lecture Hall

Apr 1 1PM Documentary: Future of  
Food. Discussion follows.

The Library will be closed  
Monday Apr 17, Patriot's Day

Apr 4 6:30PM Meet Jim Baumer,  
author of When Towns Had Teams Lecture  
Hall

Apr 8 2PM Meet Ann Purdy author of  
Sing a New Song

Apr 26 6-8:30PM PoetSpeak with  
Kathleen Ellis

TaxAide 10AM-5PM, March-April 15

Robert Shetterly's Exhibit  
Americans Who Tell the Truth  
will be in the Lecture Hall from  
March 8-31

# You Be the Judge!

The Library is happy to announce a grant from Bangor Rotary that will allow us to sponsor a new program this fall for teens/YA grades 6-12. It's called "You Be the Judge," based on the book They Broke the Law, You Be the Judge: True Cases of Teen Crime by Thomas A. Jacobs. Judge Jacobs is a juvenile court judge. The book contains 21 cases ranging from truancy to car theft. Following a description of events leading up to and including the crime, readers are given background about the individual, sentencing options, and questions to consider before sentencing, then asked to make a decision about the case. Students meet with a group of



interested adults for dinner at the Library. During dinner there will be an informal discussion of the evening's cases. After dinner, the cases will be discussed and the students become the "judges". A local law enforcement officer, attorney and/or judge will talk about why a case may have been decided the way it was and what other possible outcomes could have occurred.

The same mentor stays with the same student throughout the nine months of the program (October through May). During the course of the year the group may decide to go on trips (maybe visit a "live" court case), or do something fun together. If you know students who would like to participate, or if you would like to be a mentor or presenter in this program, contact Christine Erickson in the Children's Department.

## Are We Safer in the Dark?

On March 13, the League of Women Voters of Maine, together with the Bangor Public Library and the Maine Freedom of Information Coalition, will sponsor a Sunshine Week event in the Board Room from 1 PM to 3:30 PM. This exciting program will feature a live satellite feed to the National Press Club in Washington D.C.. A brief discussion focusing on Maine issues will follow the national broadcast.

The National Press Club panel will be moderated by Geneva Overholser, ombudsman of the Washington Post and includes Thomas S. Blanton of the National Security Archive and Thomas M. Susman from the firm of Ropes and Gray. Themes for discussion include: Are We Safer in the Dark: a brief overview of why secrecy is needed and its impact on ordinary Americans, and a look from the inside at how the government's power to keep secrets has grown.

## Winter Children's Programs

### MORNING BREAK WITH THE LIBRARIAN

One half hour of stories & fun -Children ages 2-5

**Monday 10AM**– Jan 23– May 13

### GOODY GANG

Forty-five minutes of stories, songs, videos, crafts, games & a goody! Bring a friend! Grades K-2

**Monday 3:30PM Friday 10AM** Jan 23– May 13

### STORY/CRAFT

Stories and crafts for 4 & 5 year-olds who do not need parental supervision.

**Tuesday 9:30AM** Jan 24– May 13

### CHAPTER CHUMS

Read great books, enjoy games, & crafts, 3rd-4th grade

**Tuesday 4PM** Jan 24-May 13 Registration required

### MOTHER GOOSE TIME

Stories, songs & finger plays for babies up to 24 mos.

**Wednesday 9:15** Jan 25-May 13

### TINY TOT TIME

Games, songs, stories and finger plays for 2-4 year olds with a participating adult.

**Wednesday or Thursday 10AM** Jan 25-May 13

### BAG OF CHIPS

A book discussion group for 7th & 8th graders, that includes activities & snacks.

**Thursday 3:30PM** Jan 26– May 13

### FRIDAY FORAGERS

Six Friday afternoons of reading, discussion & special activities for 5th & 6th graders. Please register.

**Friday 3:30PM** Jan 27-May 13

### ABC KIDS

Games, stories & crafts for children ages 3-6

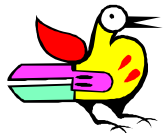
**Saturday 11AM** Jan 28-May 13

## Junior Engineers!



Junior Engineers are meeting on Tuesdays at 3:30PM. A special thank you to all of you who made this outstanding introduction to math and science possible: Eva Szillery and University of Maine Engineering, the Bangor Daily News, International Paper, Z.F. Lemforder, John T. Cyr, WBRC Architects, Woodward & Curran Engineering, N. H. Bragg & the Fitch Company

Watch for  
April Vacation Events!



## PoetSpeak

The Bangor Public Library's annual **PoetSpeak** will have a Latin-American flavor this year. This year's event on Apr 26 6-8:30PM will feature South American poets. Kathleen Ellis, poet and event organizer, will again welcome poetry lovers. Well-known poets and novices alike will be welcome to share their work. Food and music will be part of the fun!

## Documentary: Future of Food

The world premiere of Future of Food in NYC last September was sold out. Don't miss the opportunity to see the area premiere of this documentary at the Library on Saturday Apr 1 at 1PM. It is an in-depth investigation into the unlabeled, patented, genetically engineered foods that have apparently filled U.S. grocery shelves in the last decade.

Shot on location in Canada, the United States and Mexico, the film considers the impact of corporate farming, government policy and globalization. A discussion of the film will follow. Special guests include Nutritionist Katherine Musgrave and Organic Farming expert Claire Ackroyd.



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## Meet the Author

On **Wednesday Mar 8** at 1PM and 4PM Author/Artist **Robert Shetterly** will be speaking on his work in the Lecture Hall. Mr. Shetterly's exhibit of dynamic portraits, **Americans Who Tell the Truth**, will be shown in the Library's Lecture Hall from Mar 8-31st.

**Jim Baumer**, author of **When Towns Had Teams** will be visiting the Library on **Tuesday April 4** at 6:30PM. What better way to celebrate the opening of the baseball season?



### MEET THE AUTHOR RETURNS!

Hermon author **Ann Purdy** brings us her first novel! **Sing a New Song** is a tale of love and loss in beautiful Prince Edward Island. Ms. Purdy will appear on **Saturday April 8** at 2PM

**Barbara Goldsheider** of Bangor has woven a riveting story set around the violence-torn Middle East. A former resident of Israel, Ms. Goldsheider hopes that her novel **Al-Naqba**, presents a window on the struggle. She believes that only by understanding all sides of the conflict will there be peace. She will be speaking at the Library on **Thursday May 4** at 4PM.



### A COFFEE HOUSE\* CONCERT

Menu:  
Coffee  
Biscotti  
&  
Laura Galucci & Strings

Saturday Mar 25  
2-4PM

\*in the Lecture Hall

