



# MHLS BULLETIN

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## Fall Into Books Conference

### Fall into Books: Children's and Teen Literature

**Conference:** The 8<sup>th</sup> annual Fall into Books Conference will be held at the Stony Point Center (<http://www.stonypointcenter.org>) in Rockland County on Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. This great conference offers youth services librarians a chance to discuss great literature, hear nationally recognized authors and illustrators, get autographs and mingle with colleagues from public and school libraries in the area.

#### Morning Schedule:

- Keynote speaker: Award-winning author/ illustrator Denise Fleming. Among her many titles are *In the Tall, Tall Grass*, *In the Small, Small Pond*, *Barnyard Banter*, *Count* and *Lunch*.
- Book discussion groups, led by librarians from the Hudson Valley.

#### Lunch

- Between sessions and after lunch there will be opportunity to purchase books and also have these authors autograph their books.

#### Afternoon Schedule:

- Keynote speaker: Award-winning author Donna Jo Napoli (*Stones in Water*, *Breath*, *Prince of the Pong*, *King of Mulberry St.* and more).



Registration flyers were sent to each library in June, or access all the conference info, including registration and accommodation information on the MHLS Youth Services Department web page at <http://midhudson.org/department/youth/main.htm> in the *Dates to Save* section.

Conference fees: Early Bird Registration fee: \$55 (due by August 4<sup>th</sup>); after that, the fee is \$65. *[Signing up early will also make it more likely that you will be in the book discussion groups you most want to attend.]*

Public and School Library Systems work together to jointly plan this conference each year: School Library System directors from Dutchess, Orange-Ulster, Rockland, Sullivan and Ulster BOCES and youth services coordinators from Ramapo Catskill and Mid-Hudson Public Library Systems.

### MHLS Announcements

Today in the delivery each member library will receive a **print copy of the MHLS 2005 Statistical Annual Report**, comprised of information reported from all member libraries to the Division of Library Development, New York State Library, New York Education Department. At the same time, copies are being mailed to all member library Board Presidents and members of the MHLS Board of Trustees. The full information contained in the report is available online at [http://midhudson.org/annual\\_reports/2005/main.htm](http://midhudson.org/annual_reports/2005/main.htm). At the bottom of that web page is access to five years of previous reports online and information on ordering additional print copies.

**Deborah Begley, Print Services Manager**, will be on vacation until Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. During this time you can send camera-ready materials to John Plambeck for printing. Please contact John at 845.471.6060 x18. Due to time constraints the Department will not be accepting any new design jobs until September 1<sup>st</sup>.

In today's delivery, libraries that have active Friends Groups that have *not* already registered for the October 12<sup>th</sup> FRIENDS MATTER event will receive Action Memo #06-08, "**Registration for the October 12<sup>th</sup> FRIENDS MATTER Event.**" Use this form to reserve seats for your Friends who couldn't make the original date but can make the October 12<sup>th</sup> date. It should be filled out and sent back to Rebekkah by September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Delivery Reminder: Please remember to attach the "**non-bin**" form to any and all materials that you are sending through delivery but do not fit in the regular MHLS shipping bins. Materials will only be picked up when this form is attached. Download the form at: [http://midhudson.org/department/delivery/non-bin\\_form.pdf](http://midhudson.org/department/delivery/non-bin_form.pdf)

### MHLS Libraries

A \$20,000 grant has been appropriated by Assembly member Kevin A. Cahill for summer reading initiatives at **18 public libraries in the 101<sup>st</sup> Assembly District.**

"A library is truly a magical place."

-David Blaine, Illusionist and NYS Summer Reading Program Spokesperson, "Illusionist inspires kids to see magic in reading," *Poughkeepsie Journal*, 7.15.06

Half of the money was divided equally among the libraries. The other half was split based on population in the libraries' communities.

## Professional Development

**Advanced Create Lists:** Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am at the Kingston Library. If you have mastered Millennium Create Lists at the basic level and you want to know what else there is to know, this is the workshop for you. You will learn new tools, tricks, and tips to create lists you never dreamed were possible! A very good understanding of Millennium Create Lists is needed for this session. Register online at <http://www.midhudson.org/evanced/lib/eventcalendar.asp>

## Reference & Collection Development

**Trial Opportunity:** There are two exciting ideas for possible online databases that are being discussed by the MHLS Central Library / Collection Development Advisory Committee. One for **Antiques & Collectables pricing** and one for **Chiltons automotive repair**. Each of these possibilities targets unique groups of patrons and provides resources that are currently not available. Trial access to both of these resources has been arranged (expires 8.10.06), check them out to help in the decision making. Links to both trials: <http://midhudson.org/collection/main.htm>. The password was sent through the MHLS Director's Listserv. Please note: the password is case sensitive.

**Price It! Antiques & Collectibles:** an antique/collectibles pricing tool, containing data from a variety of sources, including online auctions (eBay), online antique dealers (GoAntiques & TIAS) and over 50 auction houses. The database currently has over 23 million prices realized for art, antiques and collectibles in more than 100 categories and subcategories with over 10 million images. Nearly 2 million records are being added each month.

**ChiltonLibrary.com:** automotive repair information available to car owners. There are thousands of year, make and model combinations covering the most popular vehicles of the past 30 years, plus additional coverage of specialty models. ChiltonLibrary.com gives you the confidence to service or repair virtually any system on your vehicle. Information sheet and navigation guide at <http://www.gale.com/ChiltonLibrary/>.

## Resource Sharing & Millennium

**If you have long overdue items that have gone to Billed status...** to remove them they must be *checked in*. To have the replacement cost to remain on the patron's record a document on the *Resource Sharing & Millennium* page will walk you through the process using the *lost and paid* function.

<http://midhudson.org/resource/Millennium/Circulation/Instructions/Lost%20and%20Paid.pdf> This does now put a manual stop

on the patron's card, but if the item in question is over \$9.99 they will be blocked by Millennium for all transactions.

## Youth Services

**SRP PR Help:** Fliers inviting parents to involve their kids in the New York State Library's 2006 Statewide Summer Reading Program **BOOKS: A TREASURE** are now available in multiple languages, including Spanish, Chinese (traditional and simplified), Korean, Bengali, English, Urdu, Arabic, and Haitian Creole. The fliers are available in pdf format and can be accessed on the New York State Library's website at <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov>, point to "NYS Summer Reading Program" and select "Fact Sheets for Parents."

## Trustee Resources

These municipalities have voted to become **Energy Smart Communities**, which means their elected officials are committed to promoting energy efficiency and renewable energy for residents, businesses and municipal buildings. [Source: <http://www.getenergysmart.org/>].

- County of Ulster
- City of Kingston
- Town of Ulster
- Town of Rosendale
- Town of Clinton
- Town of Esopus
- Town of Woodstock
- Village of Tivoli
- Village of New Paltz

**[Save the Date:** MHLS will be hosting a "Green" Buildings Workshop for member libraries on Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. Registration information is available at: <http://www.midhudson.org/evanced/lib/eventcalendar.asp>.]

## Job Openings

Kingston Library: **Part-time Library Clerk**. \$8.05/hr. Scheduled a 6 hour regular work week and fill in at times for more hours not to exceed a total of 20 hours per week. Must be able to work evenings and Saturdays. Primary job duty is the circulation of materials to customers of all ages. Computer, customer service, and money handling skills needed. High school diploma or equivalency required. Resumes to Library Director, 55 Franklin Street, Kingston, NY 12401; e-mail to [kingstonlibrary@hvc.rr.com](mailto:kingstonlibrary@hvc.rr.com); or fax to 845.331.7981. Application deadline: July 24.

MHLS recommends that the minimum starting salary of a full or part-time librarian with an MLS degree be at least equal to that of a teacher with a master's degree in the same community.

Member Libraries are welcome to submit items of interest and job openings to the MHLS Bulletin: [bulletin@midhudson.org](mailto:bulletin@midhudson.org). The MHLS Bulletin is available on line at <http://midhudson.org/bulletins/main.htm>.

"A good heavy book holds you down. It's an anchor that keeps you from getting up and having another gin and tonic."

-Roy Blount, Jr., U.S. Humorist