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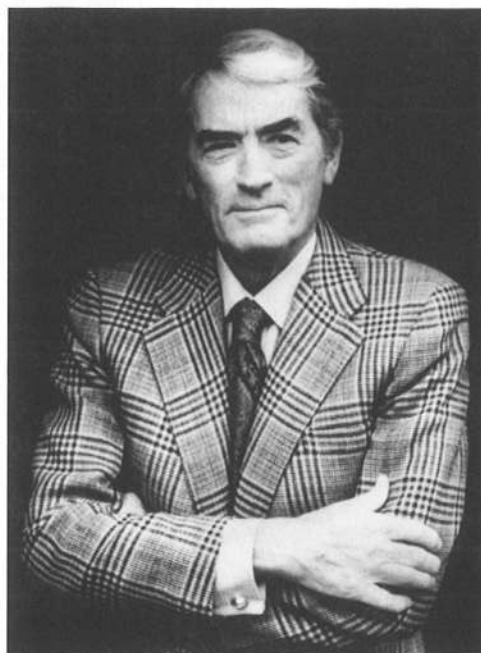
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Gregory Peck to Appear at Library Gala in September

We are happy to announce that on Friday, September 18, Gregory Peck will be the guest of honor at the Library's Annual Gala Dinner.

If you are interested in attending, please call Anne Lechartier, Development Officer, for details: 01 53 59 12 67.

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Welcome to Our New President and Vice-President, and to Our New Trustees

On March 17, at the Library's 78th Annual Meeting, Robert Gogel was elected as President and Charmaine Donnelly as Vice-President of the Library Board of Trustees.

Mr. Gogel is Executive Vice-President of Siemens Nixdorf A.G. He and his wife, Sandy, have four children. Mr. Gogel says that "We want to ensure that the Library fulfills its role as a community center and continues to be a magnet for book lovers of all nationalities."

Ms. Donnelly was most recently associated with J.P. Morgan, and will soon be moving to a position with Merrill Lynch. She is married to Gérard Pfauwadel and has two stepchildren.

We are pleased to welcome Donna Zilkha Krisel and Patrick Cardon as new Trustees.

Mrs. Krisel is a graduate of the Princeton University Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, and Columbia Law School. She and her husband have three children.

Mr. Cardon is a consultant in museography, preservation and promotion of cultural heritage, and Egyptology and Egyptian culture. He has a doctorate in Ancient Egyptian Art History from the Institute of Fine Arts, New York University. Mr. Cardon and his wife have four children.

CAMPAIGN 2000 Moves Forward

The goals of CAMPAIGN 2000 are to increase the Library's endowment, to raise funds to renovate the Library, and to heighten the Library's visibility. There are many ways to contribute to CAMPAIGN 2000, including gifts for the collections, matching gifts, shares and legacies.

You may also help the Library by donating an item from our Wish List of much-needed equipment. If you would like to have a copy of the Wish List or to know more about CAMPAIGN 2000, please call Library Director Kay Rader (01 53 59 12 63).

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Evenings with an Author

Evenings with an Author are free and open to the public. Programs begin at 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 29 "An Evening of Poetry"

The Library and the Paris Alumni Network will present an evening of poetry with Judith Rosenberg and Marcia Mead Lèbre, who will read from their works.

Ms. Rosenberg is a professor in the English department of the Faculté des Lettres, Institut Catholique de Paris and conducts a weekly workshop for poets. Ms. Lèbre is currently president of the Mount Holyoke College Club of France and chair of its European Council. Both poets have been extensively published.



Wednesday, May 13 Peter Kemp, "The Booker Prize"

Peter Kemp is a former lecturer in English literature who now works as a critic and journalist. He is Fiction Editor of the *Sunday Times* and visiting Fellow of Kellogg College, Oxford. Mr. Kemp's publications include *Muriel Spark*, *H.G. Wells and the Culminating Ape* and *The Oxford Dictionary of Literary Quotations* (edited 1997). He reviews and broadcasts widely, and is a regular contributor to BBC Radio 4's arts program, *Kaleidoscope*.

Mr. Kemp will talk about the history of the Booker Prize, and his experiences as one of the judges.

THE BOOKER PRIZE was founded in 1969 and is administered by the National Book League in the United Kingdom. This prestigious award is given to the best full-length novel written in English by a citizen of the U.K., the Commonwealth, Ireland, Pakistan or South Africa.

Winning authors include Kingsley Amis, Pat Barker, Anita Brookner, Roddy Doyle, Penelope Fitzgerald, William Golding, Kazuo Ishiguro, Iris Murdoch and Salman Rushdie.

The Library has all the Booker Prize winning books.

Tuesday, May 26 The American Institute of Wine and Food - France

Gilly Lehmann, "French Cookery Seen from England between 1700 and 1800"

Ms. Lehmann teaches at the University of Besançon and is currently turning a dissertation on English cook books of the eighteenth century into a book. She is also researching a book on English cookbooks from 1400-1800.

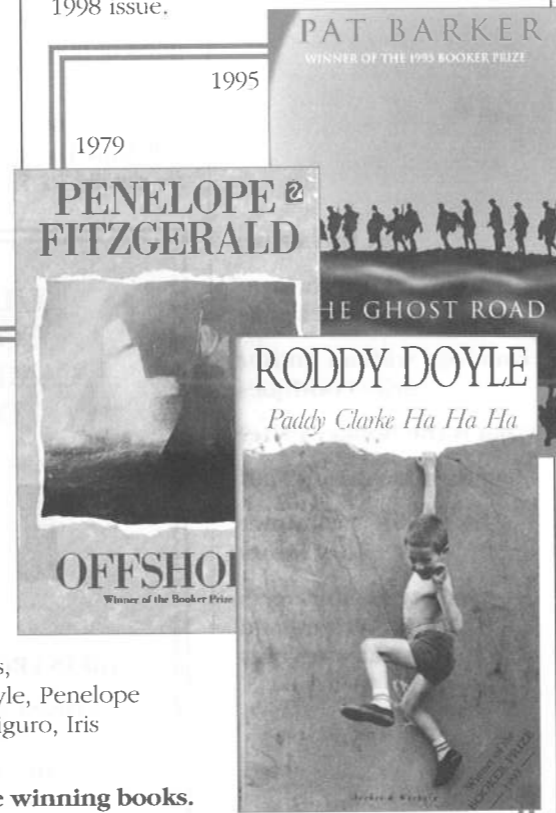
Sister Noëlla Marcellino, "New Revelations in the Production and Aging of Traditional French Cheeses (Camembert, Saint Nectaire, Reblochon, Brie, Epoisse and Others)"

Sister Noëlla is currently working at the INRA research station in Poligny, France. She makes cheese and usually lives in a monastery in Bethlehem, Connecticut.

The AIWF program begins at 7:30 p.m. and costs 100 FF. Those interested should contact Sue Young, 01 45 44 86 51. Checks should be made out to A.I.W.F. France and mailed to Ms. Young at 55, rue de Varenne, 75007 Paris.

Wednesday, June 3 "Pharos: New Poetry and Prose from Paris"

A reading of poetry and fiction by contributors to the Paris literary magazine *Pharos*. Produced by the Creative Writing Workshop run at the British Institute in Paris by Alice Notley and Douglas Oliver, *Pharos* publishes both international and Paris-based writers. This program celebrates the Spring 1998 issue.



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GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY

Thanks to **Chris Rochester**, the Library has 80 new compact discs of classical music.

William Pfaff donated many new books on international politics.

The Library received a bequest of 600 books from the late **Peter Adams**.

TRAVEL THE LONELY PLANET

The Library has an extensive collection of Lonely Planet travel books, including guides on: France, Jamaica, Bermuda, Canada, South America, Kenya, North America, Prague, New Orleans, Israel, Denmark, Chile, Portugal.



Spring & Summer Story Hours

Story hours for 3- to 5-year-old children are every Wednesday from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Children enjoy joining in the fun and discovering the magic of books, poems, finger-plays, flannel stories, filmstrips and songs.

MAY

- 6 Mother's Day
- 13 Paris in the Springtime
- 20 Pajama Party. Come in your pj's for some good-night stories.
- 27 Old Favorites

JUNE

- 3 Ice Cream Surprise
- 10 Maurice Sendak's Birthday
- 17 Father's Day
- 24 Summer Is Here

JULY

- 1 July 4th Celebration
- 8 Mice Are Nice
- 15 Let's Go Fly a Kite
- 22 Picnic Time! (Potato chips were invented 145 years ago.)
- 29 Beatrix Potter's Birthday

AUGUST

- 5 Purple Party! Wear the color purple if you can.
- 12 Jungle Day
- 19 Dog Days and Cat Naps
- 26 Celebrating Grandparents

New Story Times!

LAP-SIT STORY TIME

The Mother Goose lap-sit story time is for 1 1/2- to 3-year-olds. Join in the rhymes, songs and stories on Tuesday, April 28 and May 26, 10:30 to 11:00 a.m.

6- TO 8-YEAR-OLDS STORY HOUR

Children from 6 to 8 will be treated to wonderful tales. An hour filled with mystery, intrigue, stories, talk and fun! Saturday, May 30, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

TEENAGERS & BOOKS

Discover the best books for teenagers, the reading stages of young adults and how to get a teenager to read.

Tuesday, May 19, 1998
at 7:30 p.m.

WHAT MAKES A BEST BOOK?

Join Betty Carter, an author and speaker who specializes in young adult literature. Ms. Carter is an associate professor at Texas Women's University, School of Library and Information. She has written extensively about young adult fiction and non-fiction, best books for young adults and how to get reluctant readers to read.

An evening for all who are involved with teenagers, and for teenagers too!

This evening is free and open to the public. Be sure to tell all teachers, librarians, teenagers and parents who might be interested.

Award Winning books

Many of the 1997 Caldecott, Coretta Scott King and Newbery award winning books have arrived. Lists of the winners are available.



SCBWI Events

"A Working Writers' Day"

May 11, 1998, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Workshops and manuscript critiques will go on all day with author Ann Whitford Paul, author/editor Kathleen Krull, and agent/editor Jacqueline Miller.

"Crossing Oceans"

May 28, 1998, 7:30 p.m. Writing for the U.S. magazine market from afar, with Sandy Fox. Special rate for those who register early for this talk.

For further details contact the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators France, Erzi Deak, 01 42 73 33 75, email: 101564.3273@compuserve.com

THANK YOU

Andrea Valerio, who donated the entire *Disney Magic English* video series. This series is an aid to learning and improving children's English.

Mrs. Edgar Kerestedjian of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, who sent many wonderful Valentine's Day and Easter books.

Mr. and Mrs. Marc Gabay, who gave us a collection of children's videos.

SIZZLING SUMMER READING PROGRAM

This year the Library invites young adults and children to participate in its Summer Reading Program. The program is designed to encourage young people of all ages to pick up a book and read. For information about how to participate, please ask for Children's Librarian Nancy Meloche during your next visit.

VIDEO REQUEST

Please think of donating children's videos to the Library. Your gift will be appreciated by our young members.

CYBER.KDZ

Bruce Balan's latest Cyber.Kdz book, *In Pursuit of Picasso*, is the newest for "wired" kids. Balan's stories feature a cast of 7 characters who live around the world and communicate with each other solving mysteries on the Internet.

HOURS

Tuesday - Saturday
10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS

Friday, May 1
Friday, May 8
Thursday, May 21
Tuesday, July 14

IF YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS

...about how we can improve Library services, please leave a note in the suggestion box located near the Welcome Desk or call Library Director Kay Rader at 01 53 59 12 63 or Assistant Director Adele Witt at 01 53 59 12 65.

Meet the Circulation Staff



During the March 17 Annual Meeting, Director Kay Rader gave special thanks to the Circulation Staff for their excellent work and dedication. **Jean-François Giraudeau** (*top left*) received a special merit award for his work as Head of the Circulation Staff.

In addition to working at the public desk, each member of the Circulation Staff has other responsibilities. **Isabelle Luziau** (*top right*) helps manage the Library's extensive periodical collection, **Armelle Aymonin** (*bottom left*) assists members in the Research Center, **Gwendal Burban** (*bottom right*) acts as Assistant Systems Manager, and Jean-François manages information and membership activities.

The Circulation Staff has other duties as well, including compiling statistics, shelf-reading, picking up book donations, paging, volunteer training, and straightening, weeding and shelving the Library collection.



(left to right) Christopher Winn, Aurélien Parent Koenig, Mary-Valentine Murray. Thanks also to Joan Koenig and Christine Murray.

Peter Pan at the ALP

On Saturday, March 28, the École Koenig presented scenes and songs from their recent production of J.M. Barrie's *Peter Pan*.



Thank you from the Director

I want to thank the hundreds of Library members who have responded to the Library's 1998 User Survey. Forms are still available in the Library for those of you who would like to participate. The information from the survey will be used to help us develop the services and collections that you want. Please stop in to see me during your next visit to the Library!

—Kay Rader, Director



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