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# FOWL

## Newsletter

### Join FOWL Today!

Many of you who receive this newsletter are already members of the Friends of the Watkins Glen Library (FOWL), and we thank you for your continued support. Others of you may be reading it because you picked it up at the library desk.

Joining at one of our three membership levels (\$7 individual, \$15 family, \$25 patron) helps us in many ways:

- FOWL makes annual donations to the Odessafile.com and the Arc of Schuyler and a substantial donation to the Watkins Glen Public Library.
- We give an annual scholarship award to a deserving student at Watkins Glen High School.
- FOWL pays for the outdoor flowers, urns, and baskets and the holiday plants and flowers for indoor display.
- FOWL occasionally makes book donations in honor of individuals who have made notable contributions to our library.
- When an equipment need arises, we often step up to the plate and do what we can. The copier and new book drop are recent examples.
- FOWL pays for the annual recognition dinner for the volunteers who extend the hours that we are available to the public and help keep our costs down during “normal” hours of operation.



### From the Director's Desk

*Keep up to date with our website*

*([watkinsglenlibrary.org](http://watkinsglenlibrary.org)) or follow us on Facebook.*

Such an incredible amount has happened since the last FOWL newsletter! Most important, we've hired three new employees since I last wrote to you. In alphabetical order, we have **Alexandra Appel**, the new children's librarian, who's already made a mark planning the great programs listed below. **John Ball** is the new volunteer coordinator. John is a long-time volunteer and comes with a good understanding of the incredible volunteer system that Judi Richards put in place. And last, **Ellen Cervoni** has joined us at the circulation desk. Many patrons recognize her from Graft; she's probably already the most popular person at the library. If you haven't had a chance yet, please come in and meet the newest members of the library staff.

Thank you!

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## Donations to the Library

Carol Franzese  
 Pamela Hajcak  
 Friends of the Watkins Library  
 Schuyler County Child Care  
 Coordinating Council, Inc.  
 Seneca Sail and Power Squadron, Inc.

### *In Memory of*

Nick Dugo and Blanche Borzell, given  
 by Danna Brown  
 Alice Joyce Haughey, given by Mary  
 F. Cook and John David Cook

### *In Honor of*

Kathy Gascon, given by Marilyn King

## From the Director, continued

**Other noteworthy events.** Our budget passed easily in May. FOWL conducted a very successful book sale at the Watkins Glen High School Apartments. Glenda Gephart and Sue Dugo deserve special praise for their hard work organizing all of the books and running the sale. I know for a fact the sale would not go nearly as well without them.

I hope that we can report just as many positive changes in our next newsletter, but we will need some help. *If you would like to volunteer, please get in touch with FOWL or someone at the library.* We are constantly looking for fresh faces and new ways of doing things. Specifically we need people to get involved with the **FOWL board**; we will need help with next year's **book sale**; and I'm looking for someone to lead a book club or teach crafting skills. Please do let us know if you can lend a hand. Thank you!

## Fall Programs

This fall we are hitting the ground running with a bunch of new programs.

### Repeating Programs

**Wednesdays @ 10am, Story Hour and Art**

**Saturdays @ 10am, Story Hour** followed by **Lego Time @ 11am**

**First and Third Mondays @ 2:45-4:45pm, Read-to-Me:** Is your child shy reading out loud? Maybe reading to patient and nonjudgmental dogs will help! In any case, these Leonbergers are really big and really soft.

**First Tuesday of the month @ 2:45 pm, Board Games:** If you like board games and happen to be finished with school for the day, come in to play on our rotating collection of board games. Remember to bring a friend!

**First Wednesday of the month, YA Book and Movie Club:** A book club for teens. We haven't yet selected what books to read or movies to watch, so come to the first meeting and decide with us!

**Wednesdays and Saturdays @ 10am, Story Hour**



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### One-Time Programs

**Thursday, 9/26 @ 7pm, Stuffed Animal Sleepover:** Kids can bring in their favorite stuffed animal and leave it for the night. We'll take photos of what the stuffed animals did while they spent the night in the library! Stuffed animals will be returned afterwards.

**Wednesday, 10/9 @ 12pm, FOWL Books Sandwiched In:** Local author Charlotte Dickens will start off this year's Books Sandwiched In series. She will speak about the books that she's published and will answer questions from the audience. Copies of her books will be available for purchase.

**Friday, 10/11 @ 7pm, Toy Story 4:** Come watch the newest *Toy Story* at the first of our movie nights! Popcorn provided.

**Friday, 10/25 @ 7pm, Frankenweenie movie:** Get into the mood for Halloween with a screening of *Frankenweenie!* Popcorn provided.

**Monday, 10/28 @ 4pm, Blackout Poetry:** Combine poetry and art to make blackout poetry. We'll use donated books and a lot of Sharpies to leave just the right combination of words on the page.

**Saturday, 11/2 @ 10am, If You Give a Mouse a Cookie (cookie party) :** We'll read this classic children's story and have cookies, too!

**Wednesday, 11/11 @ 12pm, Books Sandwiched In:** The second speaker in the Books Sandwiched In series is Ithaca author Jeanne Mackin. Come learn about Jeanne's books and ask her questions about her writing process.

**Friday, 11/15 @ 4pm at the Montour Falls Library, Rainy Toad:** Come play a bunch of fun video games with your friends. This is a joint program with the Montour Falls Library.

**Thursday, 11/21 @ 5-8 pm, All Ages Puzzle Night:** Come build puzzles with us!

### What's on the New Shelf?

#### Fiction

*The Catholic School*, Edoardo Albinati  
*Night Boat to Tangier*, Kevin Barry  
*Imaginary Friend*, Stephen Chbosky  
*The Water Dancer*, Ta-Nehisi Coates  
*Sisters of Summit Avenue*, Lynn Cullen  
*Ducks, Newburyport*, Lucy Ellman  
*Steel Crow Saga*, Paul Krueger  
*Future of Another Timeline*, Annalee Newitz  
*Pursuit*, Joyce Carol Oates  
*Rusty Brown*, Chris Ware

#### Nonfiction

*Thank You for My Service*, Mat Best  
*No Friend But the Mountains*, Behrouz Boochani  
*Is There Still Sex in the City*, Candace Bushnell  
*The Second Founding*, Eric Foner  
*Blowout*, Rachel Maddow  
*Radicals, Resistance, and Revenge*, Jeanine Pirro  
*United States of Trump*, Bill O'Reilly  
*Year of the Monkey*, Patti Smith  
*Trick Mirror*, Jia Tolentino



# Library Staff Members

Stephen Salino, Library Director

Ellen Cervoni, Chief Library Clerk

Peggy Albee, Library Aide

John Ball, Volunteer Coordinator

Alexandra Appel, Children's Librarian

## Library Hours

*Monday-Friday*

*11-5, 7-9*

*Saturday*

*10-2*

*Sunday*

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