

# Library Friends

Friends of the Town of Chester Library

Expanding Opportunities



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## Annual Wine Tasting

The annual Friends of the Library Wine Tasting, Silent Auction and **Basket Raffle** will take place on Sunday May 19 at the Bullhouse Restaurant in Chestertown. See the last page for details and a registration form.

## Membership

Please consider joining the Friends or renewing your membership for 2019-2020. Use the form on the back page or join online at <http://www.chesterfriends.org>

## Library Hours

Monday (July & August)  
-9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Tuesday-9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Wednesday-9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Thursday-1 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
Friday-9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Saturday-9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## Board of Directors

Linda Taverni – Chair  
Bob Walp – Vice Chair  
Lynne Hagmann –  
Corresponding Secretary  
Linda Thorsen –  
Recording Secretary  
Rich McCrum – Treasurer

### Directors:

Kathleen Rivers  
Sharon Andrews

Meetings are held the 2nd Friday of each month from September to June, at 10 a.m. in the library. Everyone is welcome.

## New Book Sale Room and Town of Chester Fitness Center

In the middle of March the Town of Chester received some very good news about a grant to create a health and wellness center in the town municipal center. The grant, of about \$128,000 from the Adirondack Health Institute, will provide around a dozen workout machines for strength building and aerobic exercise. The center will be staffed by the YMCA.

For many years the Friends of the Library have used a room across the hall from the library to sort and store books for our two annual used book sales. The book sales, along with the upcoming wine tasting in May, are among our most important fund raising events. In just the last five years, the Friends have contributed over \$60,000 to supplement the library's operating budget provided by the Town of Chester. When the town approached the Friends about moving to a different location in the Municipal Center we were hesitant at first, but realized our book room was the best location for the new fitness center. So we willingly agreed to move. As it turned out we are very happy in our smaller, but more efficient space in what some of you may remember as the old high school library on the second floor. We are looking forward to our next sale in July in the new location.

Many thanks to book



Rich Konig made the sign for the new book room



sales chair persons Sharon Andrews and Carol Stegen, plus our wonderful volunteers: Jim and Nancy Blasdell, Moira Goldfarb, Kip and Kathleen Rivers, Bob Walp, Cheryl Erickson, Hannah Erickson, the local Boy Scout troop and all the town employees who enthusiastically pitched in. The Book Room is open on Friday

mornings from 9 to 11 for donations and browsing. During the summer, when the Farmers Market is in progress, it will be open on Wednesday mornings from 9-11. Please remember we can accept only gently used books, music CDs, DVDs and audiobooks on CD.



## Call for Volunteers: Farmers Market [chestertownfarmersmarket.com](http://chestertownfarmersmarket.com)

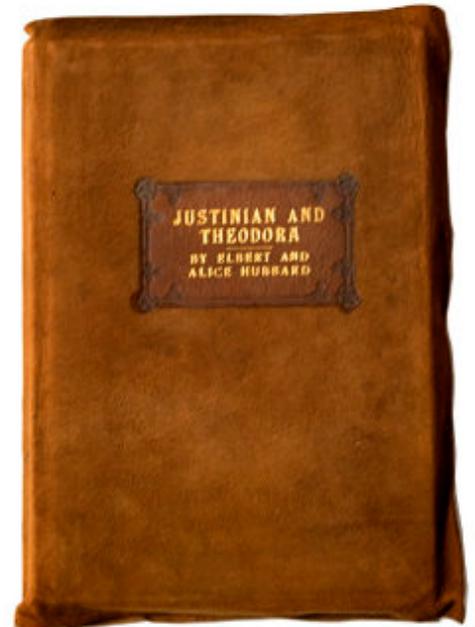
We have had great success selling used books at the Chestertown farmers market over the last few years. It has been a substantial addition to our book sale income and is a great way to meet neighbors and visitors and tell them about our wonderful library. But we are always in need of workers, especially to set up and take down our canopy and tables. We have openings for

mornings or afternoons, to set up, take down or help with sales in the booth. If you can help out this summer, please indicate that on your membership form or call the library and let us know.

**Don't forget the Friends Annual Wine Tasting!  
See page 4 for details.**

## A Selection from the Book Arts Special Collection

*Justinian and Theodora*, by Elbert and Alice Hubbard

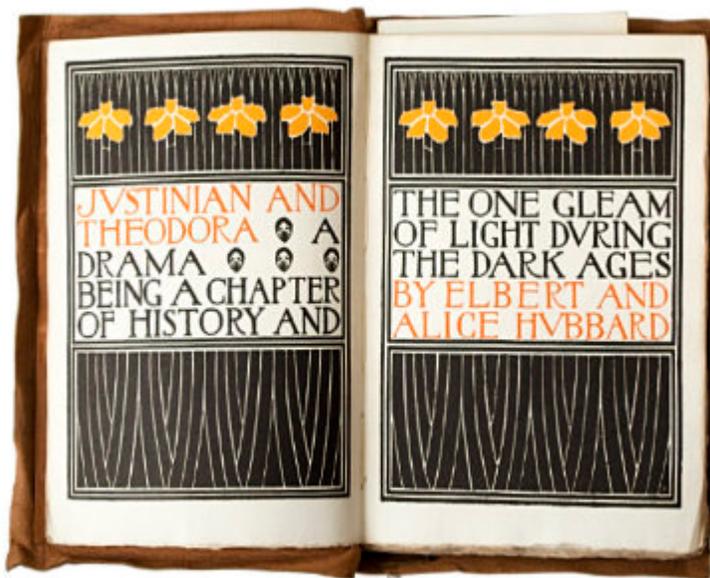


*Justinian and Theodora* is a book printed in 1906 at the Roycroft colony in East Aurora, New York. Elbert Hubbard started the Roycroft community of jewelers, woodworkers, printers and other crafts people after being inspired by the success of the Arts and Crafts movement in Great Britain. In particular he found inspiration in William Morris's *Kelmscott Press*, which is credited with the revival in fine book design and printing that spread through Europe and the United States in the early 1900's. At one point there were nearly 500 people at work on the Roycroft campus. Sadly, Elbert and his wife Alice died in the sinking of the *Lusitania* in 1915, an event which eventually led the United States to join World War I.

*Justinian and Theodora* is a story of the emperor and empress of the Eastern Roman Empire who ruled from about 527-565 CE. The book is printed on hand made paper with elaborate woodcut illustrations and chapter titles designed by the American papermaker and historian Dard Hunter. The binding is a soft suede limp binding with a gold colored hot stamped title. Only 106 copies of the book were printed.

This and other finely handmade limited edition books can be seen at the library. The Friends of the Town of Chester Public Library Book Arts Collection is the only one of its kind in the Adirondacks.

[Click here to see larger images of the book online at chesterfriends.org/roycroft.html](http://chesterfriends.org/roycroft.html)



## About Type: Caslon

While the letters on the title page of *Justinian and Theodora* were hand drawn by Dard Hunter, the typeface used in the body of the book is *Caslon*, designed by the first British type designer, William Caslon, around 1720. *Caslon* is a serified

oldstyle typeface that does not draw attention to itself and so is well suited to book printing. For more about how typefaces are classified go to [chesterfriends.org/typo1.html](http://chesterfriends.org/typo1.html).

Aa, Bb, Cc, Dd, Ee, Ff, Gg, Hh, Ii, Jj, Kk, Ll, Mm, Nn, Oo, Pp, Qq, Rr, Ss, Tt, Uu, Vv, Ww, Xx, Yy, Zz, ?, & !

More book arts at [chesterfriends.org/bookarts.html](http://chesterfriends.org/bookarts.html)

# What's Happening at the Library?

See the Friends website for changes or additions

## Free Summertime Children's Programs

**Magic! \* Puppets! \* Animals!**  
518-494-5384 for information

**Thursday, July 11th at 3 p.m.**  
*Birds of Prey*, with Trish Marki.  
Live Raptors!

**Thursday, July 18th at 3 p.m.**  
*Rural Soul Drumming*  
Play music and sing songs from Africa.

**Thursday, July 25th at 3 p.m.**  
*Homespun Community Dancing*  
with Peter, Paul and George.  
Dances from the U.S. and around the world  
with fiddle and banjo.

**Thursday, August 1st at 3 p.m.**  
*Pirates of Book Island*  
with the Puppet People.

**Thursday, August 8th at 2 and 3:15 p.m.**  
*Life of a Star and our Sun*  
with Planetarium Adventures  
Limit 25 people in the Star Lab, so sign-up is  
required.

**Thursday, August 15th at 3 p.m.**  
*Book Magic*  
with Magician Joey D.

**Wednesday, September 18th at 7 p.m.**  
The Friends of the Library Lecture Series  
continues with Charlotte L. Demers and  
*Chipmunks: Timber Tigers of the Adirondacks*

**Saturday, October 19th from 1 to 3 p.m.**  
*Painting with Patrice* – details TBA

## Lecture Series

The Friends Lecture Series had two well attended programs in the fall. Unfortunately, winter weather caused two cancellations of the program on **Gore Mt. Skiing** by Greg Schaefer and low turnout for the program by Joan Collins on **Birds**. It has been decided to only schedule programs for the fall to avoid this problem next year. Currently we have one program scheduled, with two more to be announced later.

**Wednesday, September 18 at 7 p.m.**  
Charlotte L. Demers:  
*Chipmunks: Timber Tigers of the Adirondacks*

The Eastern Chipmunk, although a common resident of the Adirondacks, has an uncommon natural history. Some of its remarkable adaptations include a large vocal repertoire, a penchant for stealing from the neighbors, vigorously defending territories, and taking long naps in winter. This presentation will discuss the adaptations of this charming Adirondack rodent as well as explain why Alvin and the Chipmunks aren't really chipmunks.

## Museum Passes

The Friends have purchased library memberships to the [Hyde Museum](#), [Adirondack Experience](#), and [The Wild Center](#). The memberships allow library patrons to check out family passes which allow free or discounted entry to these organizations.

## Ruplin Gallery Exhibits

**April:** Ron Lauzon collectibles  
**May:** Photos by Bob Fisher and Jerry Wein  
**June:** Photos by Mike Adler  
**July:** Art by Suzanne Rinas  
**August:** Photography by Louise Wieck  
**September:** Photography by John Hales  
**October:** TBA  
**November:** Photography, Bob McDermott & Linda Zila  
**December:** Art by Suzanne Rinas

## Display Case Exhibits

**April:** Wire People by Wendy Joy-Hayes  
**May:** TBA  
**June:** 1000 Book Challenge Winner Back Packs  
**July:** Art by Bob Flachbarth  
**August:** TBA  
**September:** TBA  
**October:** TBA  
**November:** Pens, etc. by Russ Palubniak  
**December:** Collectibles by Teddi Perea

The Friends of the Town of Chester Public Library is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds to supplement the budget of the Town of Chester Public Library. The Friends of the Library uses proceeds from fund raising events and membership fees to host educational events, provide programming for children, and to purchase books, periodicals and equipment for the library.

# Please Join Us for the 13th Annual Friends of the Library Wine Tasting and Silent Auction!

This Friends of the Library major fundraiser consisting of a wine tasting, silent auction and basket raffle, will be held at the Bull House Restaurant in Chestertown on May 19, 2019 from 1 to 4 p.m. The Bull House will provide a variety of interesting wines to sample along with delicious hors d'oeuvres. Wines will be available for purchase. The silent auction includes gift certificates from local businesses, Adirondack gifts, and artwork. A number of baskets will be on display in the library prior to the event and raffle tickets can be purchased at the library or from members of the Friends. To make a reservation, please complete the attached form and return it to the library by May 15, 2019. For more information call the library at 518-494-5384.

**Early Bird Special!** Make your reservation by Wednesday May 1 and you will be entered in an exclusive drawing for three gift certificates from local restaurants. Only early reservations will be entered. The drawing will take place during the Wine Tasting.

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## Wine Tasting Reservation Form 2019

I/we wish to make a reservation for \_\_\_\_\_ individual(s) at \$30 per person.

I//we cannot attend, but would like to contribute \$\_\_\_\_\_ to support the Friends of the Library.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ payable to the Friends of the Town of Chester Library.

**Please return with your check payable to: Friends of the TOC Library, PO Box 451, Chestertown, NY 12817**

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## Join the Friends of the Library Annual Membership–July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Thank you to all our members who supported the Friends of the Town of Chester Library this past year. Your commitment helped our library provide current best selling books, newspapers, magazines, DVDs for all ages, computer and internet access, children's programs, special events and much more. As a Friends member you are playing an important role in supporting a vital community resource. We look forward to your continued membership in our organization and we welcome our new members!

**New!** Submit your membership online at: <http://www.chesterfriends.org/membership.html>

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## Annual Membership Form -July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

individual \$10 \_\_\_\_\_ Household \$15 \_\_\_\_\_ Special Friend \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Your privacy is important to us. We will never share your information with any other organization.

Interested in volunteering? Please indicate how you might be willing to help:

Book Sales \_\_\_\_\_ Farmers Market \_\_\_\_\_ Programs \_\_\_\_\_ Fund Raising \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return with your check payable to: Friends of the TOC Library, PO Box 451, Chestertown, NY 12817**

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# Thank You!