



## Meet the Trustees

The Board of Library Trustees, from left: Diane Blodgett, Andrew Deitchman, Jo Ann Smith, Michael MacKenzie, Jennifer Culotta, Rich Henders, and Kate Garrett.

There's a good chance you know one of the seven people elected to oversee your library district. Three trustees live on the west side of town, and four live on the east side.

Together, the seven trustees will make decisions regarding the Library's direction, services, and upkeep over the next two years. The trustees are volunteers. They ran for office because they care about Batavia and its Library. If you want to share your hopes, concerns, and ideas regarding the Library, you can find trustee contact information on the Library website. The Board of Library Trustees meetings are held on the third Tuesday every month, at 7pm, at the Library. Meetings are open to the public. You also can watch recordings of the meetings on BATV (Public Access Channel 17).

**Andrew Deitchman, president:** Deitchman is a project manager for Walter E. Deuchler Associates, Inc. He was first elected to the board in 2015 and has lived in Batavia for 15 years. Deitchman and his wife Holly (who is executive director of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce) have a son in grade school and a son in middle school. Deitchman is also an active volunteer in Boy Scouts of America.

**Diane Blodgett, vice president:** Blodgett is a retired school psychologist. She and her husband Art have lived in Batavia for 28 years, and they have three grown children and six grandchildren. Blodgett was elected to the board in 2013 and re-elected in April. Blodgett also volunteers at her church and the LivingWell Cancer Resource Center.

**Jo Ann Smith, secretary:** Smith is a retired technology consultant in higher education and computer science professor. She was re-elected to the board in April after being appointed in 2016 to fill a vacancy. She is a past president of the Friends of the Batavia Public Library, and she volunteers at the Library, teaching computer coding to young students. Smith and her husband Ray have lived in Batavia for 17 years. They have a grown son and a teenage grandson.

**Jennifer Culotta, treasurer:** Culotta was elected to a four-year term in April. She is a CPA partner at Plante Moran, specializing in the not-for-profit industry. She and her husband Joe have lived in Batavia for 11 years, and they have a son entering middle school and a son at H. C. Storm Elementary School, where Culotta also volunteers.

## Under the Cupola

### Batavia's Library: Part 8, More To and Again

Batavia Public Library traces its origins to Oct. 1866, over 150 years ago, first as the Batavia Library Association, a membership organization, then as the Batavia Public Library, a tax-supported organization.

As noted previously, the first Library Board in 1882 adopted Rules and Regulations, including the following selections:—

**5th, Any person retaining a book beyond fourteen days shall be fined Two Cents per day for all such delay and if any book be retained seven days beyond the time prescribed it shall be sent for by the Librarian and a messenger fee of twenty-five cents be charged to the borrower.**

Evidently, overdue fees have been part of library practice for generations. One reason relates to good stewardship. A 1989 issue of *The Bottom Line: A Financial Magazine for Libraries*, noted, "Fees such as overdue charges, ..., are based on the economic concept of opportunity cost. When one library client keeps a book beyond the due date, there may be another client who is inconvenienced by waiting longer for it than expected."

The purpose of overdue fines, then (1882) and now, is to remove this service barrier (overdue materials) for such patrons.

That said, some libraries (such as Oak Park, which has dropped its 25¢-per-day charge) consider fines only "a regressive method of raising revenue" and a financial barrier to service. According to CBS Chicago, another suburban

library, which dropped fines, has reported that its books "stay out longer now—meaning they are not available to other patrons."

Batavia has taken a different approach. It now renews items automatically, resulting in fewer overdue items and thus fewer fines. Today, Batavia's loan period is 28 days for most items, items are renewed automatically up to two times, and the daily fine rate is only Ten Cents for most items.

**11th, No person except the Librarian shall take books from the shelves.**

This regulation describes a "closed stack" library, in which the librarian retrieves books and other materials for people on request. A library's "stacks"—an old term from architecture and library science—refers to a storage area, as opposed to a reading area. In 1882, this regulation probably was designed to prevent theft and minimize reshelving errors. Now, and for many generations, Batavia is an "open stack" library and allows people to enter the stacks to browse for themselves.

In fact, the Third Law of Library Science (one of five proposed by S. R. Ranganathan in 1931) states, "Every Book Its Reader," and addresses this fundamental issue of removing barriers through the principle of Open Access, which is the opportunity to see and examine the collection of books and other materials with as much freedom as in one's own private library. *(to be continued)*

George H. Scheetz,  
Director

**Kate Garrett, trustee:** Garrett was elected to a two-year term in April. She is a heritage interpreter at Kline Creek Farm in West Chicago, a school volunteer, and a precinct committeeman for the Kane County Democrats. Garrett and her husband Brett have lived in Batavia for three years. They have three young children.

**Rich Henders, trustee:** Henders, previously a Library trustee from 2003 to 2009, was again elected to a four-year term in 2015. Henders is retired after a 40-year career in IT and data processing. He and his wife Rosemary are active members of the Friends of the Batavia Public Library. Henders also volunteers at Batavia Depot Museum. The Henders have two grown children and two grandchildren.

**Michael MacKenzie, trustee:** MacKenzie was elected to a four-year term in April. He is a communications professional with the Kellogg Company. He also volunteers for Junior Achievement, Batavia Youth Baseball, and his church. MacKenzie and his wife Kelly have lived in Batavia for 13 years and have four young children.

### The Library will be closed:

Tues., July 4  
Fri., Aug. 25

### Library Hours

Monday–Thursday 9 am–9 pm  
Friday and Saturday 9 am–5 pm  
Sunday 12–5 pm (Sept.–May)  
Sunday 1–4pm (June–Aug.)

### Telephone

630-879-1393  
Fax: 630-879-9118  
TTY: 630-879-8335  
Home Delivery:  
630-879-1393, ext. 290

### Library Director

George H. Scheetz

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## Summer Reading Club 2017



There's still time to join Summer Reading Club. Visit the Youth Services Desk, babies–grade 8, or the Reference Desk, high school students–adults. Return logbooks and reading logs by Aug. 2, 9pm.

**The Library will be closed, Fri., Aug. 25, for staff training**

## Programs and activities for youth

**Registration Information:** Stop by or call the Youth Services Desk, 630-879-1393, ext. 500, for more information and to register. Priority is given to Batavia Public Library cardholders for all programs requiring registration. July program registration is in progress. Unless otherwise noted, registration for August programs begins July 15. Patrons of all abilities are welcome at our programs. Please contact the Library regarding accommodations.

**Advance registration is required for programs designated** 

### For Babies, Toddlers & Preschoolers

#### Baby Play 'n' Learn

**Fri., July 7, 10am**  
**Fri., Aug. 11, 10am**  
 0–23 months  
 Enjoy playtime with your baby, meet other caregivers, and see examples of early literacy activities.

**Lap Sit Storytime**   
**Mon., July 10, 10am**  
**Tues., Aug. 1, 10am**  
 Ages 2–3 with a caregiver  
 Enjoy stories, rhymes, and more.

**Baby Storytime**   
**Tues., July 11 & 25, 11am**  
 0–23 months with a caregiver  
 Interactive program for babies with stories, rhymes, and music

**ABC Storytime**   
**Wed., July 12, 10am**  
**Thurs., July 27, 1pm**  
 Ages 3–6  
 Activities, books, and craft

program for children without a caregiver

#### Preschool Play 'n' Learn

**Mon., July 17, 10am**  
 Ages 2–5 with caregiver  
 Enjoy playtime with your child and explore our early literacy stations, which include activities with letters, numbers, sequencing, and more.

**Baby & Tot Storytime**  
**Fri., July 21, 10am**  
 0–35 months with a caregiver  
 Drop in for songs, rhymes, and stories. Please make alternate care arrangements for older siblings. Batavia Public Library card required.

### For Students

**String Art**   
**Wed., July 5, 1–2:30pm**  
 Ages 7–14  
 No hammer and nails are needed to complete this easy-to-make string art picture. Using only string

and a needle, students can create a unique art design.

#### Elephant & Piggie Party

**Thurs., July 6, 11am**  
 Grades K–2  
 Join us as we celebrate two favorite book characters, Elephant & Piggie. We'll play games, learn some fun facts about elephants and pigs, make a craft, and read Elephant & Piggie books. Get ready to party!

#### Book Buddies

**Fri., July 7, 2pm**  
**Tues., July 11, 2pm**  
**Wed., July 19, 11am**  
**Thurs., July 27, 11am**  
 Ages 6–8  
 Young readers are partnered with junior volunteers for approximately one hour of reading aloud. This program focuses on book-sharing rather than tutoring. Please register for each date student will attend.

#### Curiosity Club

**Mon., July 10, 1pm**  
 Grades K–2  
 Through books, games, and experiments, participants explore a variety of science and nature topics each month. Each participant receives a take-home activity.

#### Yarn & Tale

**Mon., July 10–Aug. 7, 6:30pm**  
 Ages 8–14  
 Student and parent teams can join us for knitting or crocheting, with beginner instruction available, and a tale. All levels welcome. Please bring #10 knitting needles or G/H crochet

hook. We'll provide the yarn.

#### Duct Tapin' Time

**Wed., July 12, 2–3:30pm**  
 Ages 7–14  
 Create a lanyard with card case, step-by-step with the group, then create a duct tape item of your choice. Parents of inexperienced duct tapers are encouraged to stay and help. Bring duct tape and scissors.

#### American Red Cross Babysitter's Training Course

**Thurs., July 13, 9:30am–5pm**  
 Ages 11–15  
 A 7½-hour training course in which students learn basic babysitting skills and how to deal with emergencies. Participants must attend entire session. Due to the popularity of this program a lottery drawing was held in June. Please call for availability. Priority given to Batavia Public Library cardholders. Sponsored by the Batavia Public Library Foundation.

#### Book Gems

**Thurs., July 13, 11am**  
 Grades 2–3  
*Ben the Inventor* by Robin Stevenson  
 Book club and activities for young readers. Registration required; reserve a copy of the book when registering.

#### Paws for Tales

**Sat., July 15 & 29, 10–11:30am**  
 Grades 1–4  
 Students are invited to practice their reading skills by reading aloud to



Scientist Jerry Zimmerman will demonstrate cryogenics at Fermilab for Summer Reading Club families, July 27.

a specially trained therapy dog. The goal of "Paws for Tales" is to create a positive, non-threatening, and fun environment in which reading aloud is enjoyed. Register for a 15-minute time slot. Due to the limited space and popularity of this program, participants can register for only one of the two dates offered. Presented by the Naperville Area Humane Society.

#### Hour of Code

**Mon., July 17, 2pm**  
 Grades 3–6  
 Are you new to coding or are you pretty good? Practice on *code.org* with assistance from computer science instructor, Jo Ann Smith. Space is limited.

#### Lego® Fun

**Tues., July 18, 11am**  
 Ages 4–10  
 Use the Library's Lego blocks to make a creation that will be displayed in the Library. Space is limited. Children age 6 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Batavia Public Library card required.

#### Cupcake Wars

**Tues., July 18, 2pm**  
 Grades 5–8  
 You've watched the TV show, now try it yourself. Work in teams or on your own to create cupcake masterpieces based on a favorite book.

#### Anybook Club

**Wed., July 19, 1pm**  
 Grades 4–8  
 Join us for snacks, games, and book-related banter. You can talk about books you've read and we'll tell you about some you might like. You don't have to read anything in particular, just come to enjoy book-related activities.

#### Design a House

**Thurs., July 20, 10am**  
 Ages 8–14  
 Design and build your dream house using materials provided. We'll explore a variety of styles and architects.

#### Pocket Full of Poetry

**Mon., July 24, 10am**  
 Ages 7–10  
 Join us for a special program all about poetry! We'll listen to several styles of poetry, from haiku to nonsense poems and everything in between. Then try your hand at being a poet. We'll share our poems during the last 15 minutes of the program.

#### Tapping Your Inner Poet

**Mon., July 24, 1pm**  
 Ages 11–14  
 Explore the various forms and styles of poetry and then experiment with writing your own. Beginners and current poets welcome! Share your writings open-mic style at the end.

#### Dewey Club

**Tues., July 25, 2pm**

Grades 2–4  
 Through games and activities, students can learn about the nonfiction resources that can help them survive extreme conditions.

#### Mosaic Art

**Mon., July 31, 2pm**  
 Ages 6–14  
 Students will learn how mosaic art is created, use colorful foam tiles to create fun bugs, and frame their designs.

#### Board Games

**Wed., Aug. 9, 1–2pm**  
 Ages 6–14  
 Bring your friends and siblings to enjoy board games, chess, checkers, and giant Connect Four. Younger siblings with a parent are welcome.

### For Families

#### Family Game Night

**Mon., July 3, 7pm**  
 Play a variety of games with your family or challenge another; create a house of cards, domino mazes, and more.

#### Drop-In Craft

**Wed., July 5, 3–6pm**  
*Pinwheel*  
**Thurs., Aug. 10, 10am–1pm**  
*Crazy Craft*  
 Children age 6 and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

#### Chess Knight

**Tues., July 11–Aug. 8, 7pm**  
 Ages 8–adult  
 Participants should have a basic knowledge of the game.

#### Explore!

**Fri., July 14, 1–2pm**  
*Science & Nature*  
**Wed., July 26, 11am–1pm**  
*Gizmos & Gadgets*  
 Drop in for hands-on activities.

### Movies at the Library

**Thurs., July 20, 1pm**  
**Wed., Aug. 2, 1:15pm**  
 Please call the Library for movie title, length, and rating.

#### Mr. Freeze

**Thurs., July 27, 7pm**  
 Don't miss our really cool Summer Reading Club finale with Mr. Freeze at Fermilab. Scientist Jerry Zimmerman, a.k.a. Mr. Freeze, will amaze you with his cryogenics demonstration. Fun facts and lots of surprises are in store. Free tickets for this event available at the Youth Services Desk beginning July 1.

#### Bingo

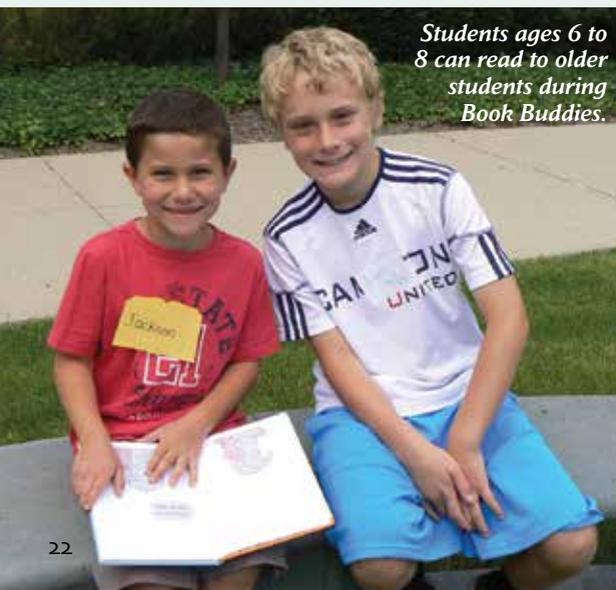
**Fri., July 28, 11am**  
**Mon., Aug. 14, 11am**  
 We will play regular number bingo and our specially designed picture bingo for one hour. Children age 5 and younger must be accompanied by an adult or older sibling.

#### Island Party

**Wed., Aug. 2, 12:30pm**  
 Wear your Hawaiian shirt and/or grass skirt and join us for games, activities, and fun. A new island adventure feature film follows the party at 1:15pm.

#### Solar Eclipse Party

**Mon., Aug. 21, 12:30pm**  
 Learn about the solar eclipse, enjoy crafts, activities, and experience a safe solar eclipse viewing from the Library's Reading Garden (weather permitting). Bring a shoebox pinhole projector or bring a shoebox and we'll help you make one. The first 200 participants will receive free solar eclipse glasses. Note: Maximum eclipse time is 1:18pm.



Students ages 6 to 8 can read to older students during Book Buddies.

## Programs for adults and teens

**Registration Information:** Registration is required for some programs; please call the Reference Desk, 630-879-1393, ext. 200, or register online at BataviaPublicLibrary.org. Patrons of all abilities are welcome at our programs. Please contact the Library regarding accommodations.

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### Feature Programs

#### A Solar Eclipse is Coming!

Mon., July 10, 7pm

On Aug. 21, for the first time in almost 30 years, a total solar eclipse will be visible from the continental United States. In the Chicago area, about 90% of the sun will be covered by the moon. Learn about eclipses and how to enjoy a partial or total eclipse.

#### The Art of Paul Gauguin

Tues., Aug. 29, 7pm

In 2017, Chicago hosts a special traveling exhibition of artwork by Paul Gauguin. In this slide lecture, art

historian Jeff Mishur discusses Gauguin's transition from a collector of Impressionism to one of history's most innovative and influential artists.



PAGE FROM *ANCIEN CULTE MAHORIE*, PAUL GAUGUIN; MUSÉE DU LOUVRE  
Art historian Jeff Mishur discusses Paul Gauguin, Aug. 29



#### Shrubs, Switchels, and Oxymels

Wed., July 19, 7pm

Shrubs, switchels, and oxymels are non-alcoholic drinks spiked with vinegar. Some were developed during prohibition to take the place of alcohol; others had

a medicinal purpose. Cooking instructor Mary Krystinak offers detailed instructions, recipes, and samples. Bring a container, knife, cutting board, and apron to participate (optional).

#### Introduction to Calligraphy

Thurs., July 20, 7pm

Participants will learn calligraphy basics in this hands-on class and explore the cursive chancery hand.

#### Refrigerator Pickles

Wed., Aug. 23, 7pm

Cooking instructor Marty Krystinak offers a quick and easy way to prepare refrigerator pickles. Participants can help prepare the cucumbers and brine, and take home recipes and a small container of pickles. Bring a container, knife, cutting board, and apron to participate (optional).



#### Hand-Stitched Journals

Wed., Aug. 30, 7pm

Learn introductory book-binding skills while creating a beautiful hand-stitched journal with Water Street Studios artist Sabrina Martin.

### Water Street Studios Presents

#### Jim Jenkins, Metal Sculptor

Mon., July 24, 7pm

Geneva artist and inventor Jim Jenkins explains the design process for his work, which is publicly displayed in the Fox River Valley.



Geneva artist and inventor  
Jim Jenkins discusses his  
sculpture, July 24.

#### Victoria Belz, Flameworked Glass Artist

Thurs., Aug. 31, 7pm

Victoria Belz, creator of glass art for jewelry and 3D art, demonstrates the process of creating lampwork glass beads in the old Venetian style.

### Questions & Ancestors Genealogy Series

#### Crafting Genealogical Citations

Wed., Aug. 16, 7pm

Presenter Laura Street Chaplin explains how to craft professional-quality genealogical citations to document research (and prove each fact) in this interactive session. Chaplin also explores the Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS).

#### Genealogy Research

Whether you're just starting or would like help overcoming obstacles, a librarian will guide you in your genealogy research during a one-hour, one-on-one session. Available Monday–Friday, 9am–5pm.

### Sundays on Stage *The Batavia Public Library Foundation is the 2017 Season Sponsor.*

#### Please Call Me Amy

Sun., July 30, 2pm

Behind every great man is an extraordinary woman. Amy McCormick—wife of the late Colonel Robert R. McCormick, owner and publisher of the *Chicago Tribune*—was an extraordinary woman. Ellie Carlson portrays Amy as she talks about her Civil War surgeon father, her Red Cross service during the World War I, her hobbies, and entertaining Winston Churchill and other notables.

#### Elvis!

Sun., Aug. 27, 2pm

Dave Ehler has been performing and perfecting his portrayal of Elvis since 1965. Ehler has performed in 44 states, Canada, Mexico, and on the open seas. This exciting tribute to the King of rock 'n' roll will have you swooning!



Ellie Carlson portrays Amy McCormick, July 30.

PHOTO BY J. ANDERSON

### Monthly Programs

#### Adult Anime Club

Thurs., July 27 & Aug. 17, 6:30–8:30pm

Adults ages 18 and older are invited to watch anime and meet other adult anime and manga enthusiasts.



#### Book Discussion

Tues., Aug. 8, 7:30pm

*LaRose* by Louise Erdrich

A somber, lyrical novel about a man who honors his family's Ojibwe traditions by giving his young son to his neighbors after accidentally killing their child in a hunting accident.

#### September selection:

*Everything I Never Told You* by Celeste Ng

### Teen Programs

Advance registration is required for programs designated 

#### Inclusion Game Night

Wed., July 12 & Aug. 9,  
6:30–8:30pm

Teens and young adults of all abilities—and their families and friends—are invited to meet new people and try out a board game or card game in a relaxed setting. High school volunteers are welcome.

#### Anime Club

Thurs., July 13 & Aug. 10,  
6:30–7:30pm

Teens ages 13 and older are invited to watch anime, play games, and meet other anime and manga enthusiasts.

#### Inclusion Movie Night

Tues., July 25 & Aug. 22,  
6:30–8:30pm

Teens and young adults of all abilities—and their families and friends—are welcome to meet new people and watch a movie in a relaxed setting. High school volunteers are welcome.

#### Escape Room

Thurs., Aug. 3, 7pm

Solve the puzzles to escape the Library before your time runs out! Bring a friend to improve your chances.



## Computer classes for adults

**Registration Information:** One-hour, hands-on computer classes. Basic computer skills, including mouse and keyboard proficiency, are required. Please call the Reference Desk, 630-879-1393, ext. 200

**Advance registration is required for programs designated** 

### Internet Classes

**\*Internet proficiency required:** \_\_\_\_\_

#### Searching the Internet

Tues., July 18, 9am

Learn to use Google to find information. Learn search tips and how to evaluate Web sites.

### Other Computer Classes

#### Introduction to Microsoft Word 2016, Part 1

Thurs., July 27, 9am

Create documents and folders; edit; change font style and size, underline, italicize, make bold, and center text; and save.

#### Android Tablet & Phone

TMon., July 31, 9am

Please bring your device to class.

#### iPad & iPhone

Tues., Aug. 1, 9am

Please bring your device to class.



**\*\*Microsoft Word proficiency required:**

#### Introduction to Microsoft Word 2016, Part 2\*\*

Thurs., Aug. 3, 9am

Font and background colors; text boxes, clip art, and photos; bulleted and numbered lists; tables; lines, arrows, and autosaves; page numbers; and page setup



#### Introduction to Microsoft Word 2016, Part 3\*\*

Thurs., Aug. 10, 9am

Headers and footers, section breaks, WordArt, page borders, footnotes, endnotes, tables, charts, and mail merge

#### Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2016, Part 1\*\*

Wed., Aug. 23, 9am

Summation; formulas; data entry; autofill; print

#### Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2016, Part 2\*\*

Wed., Aug. 30, 9am

Add and delete rows and columns; find and replace; sort; navigate workbooks; introduction to charts; security

#### Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2016\*\*

Thurs., Aug. 31, 9am



### Computer Coaching

Schedule an appointment with a technology assistant for a one-hour, one-on-one coaching session based on your individual needs. Available Monday–Thursday, 4–8pm.

The Library pages in *Neighbors of Batavia* are funded in part by the Friends of the Batavia Public Library and the Batavia Public Library Foundation.

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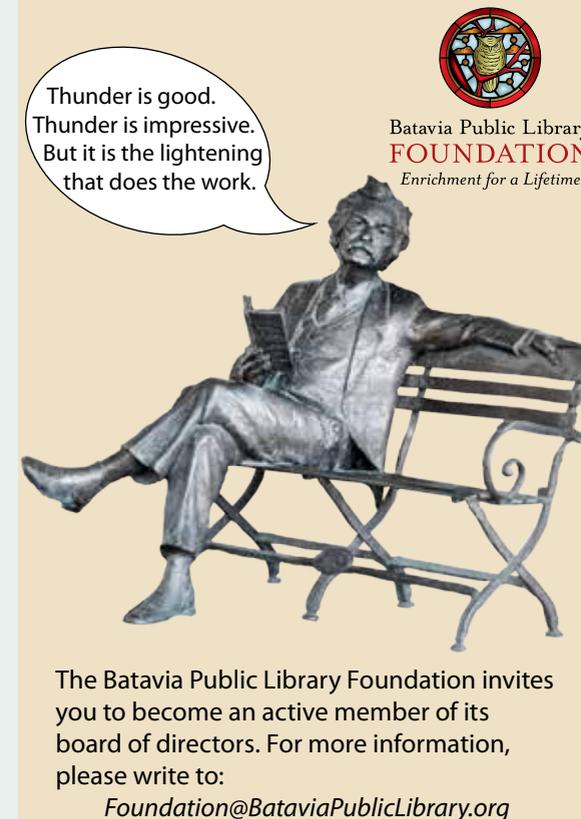


## News from the Friends



The Friends of the Batavia Public Library would like to congratulate Courtney Bergsieker, who was awarded the Margo C. Cooper College Scholarship in May. The scholarship is awarded to Library pages in recognition of the work they do at the Library. The scholarship is named in honor of Margo Cooper, former Library director who oversaw construction of the current building. Bergsieker will attend Fordham University in the fall. Congratulations, Courtney.

*Library page Courtney Bergsieker receives the Margaret C. Cooper College Scholarship from Friends Jo Ann Smith (left) and Margo Cooper.*



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The Batavia Public Library Foundation invites you to become an active member of its board of directors. For more information, please write to:  
[Foundation@BataviaPublicLibrary.org](mailto:Foundation@BataviaPublicLibrary.org)

## Stock Your Classroom Sale

Sat., Aug. 5  
9:15am-12pm

*in the FriendSpace*

Open to all teachers—including preschool teachers, day-care workers, home educators, and others who teach and tutor kids

**Books for kids, teens & adults**

Prices start at 25¢ for paperbacks and 50¢ for hardcovers

**Special buys priced as marked**

Questions?  
Email [Friends@BataviaPublicLibrary.org](mailto:Friends@BataviaPublicLibrary.org)

