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President's Message



Skip DeBrusk, SLF President

The Scituate Town Library is home to thousands of books covering dozens of subjects, so it may seem strange to single out one small book of 138 pages. While

I've moaned and groaned thru several courses in philosophy, I frequently refer back to the principles outlined in *The Four Agreements* by Don Miguel Ruiz.

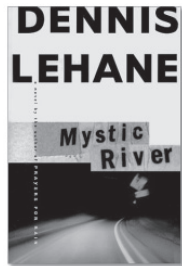
Be Impeccable With Your Word: Speak with integrity. Say only what you mean. Avoid using the word to speak against yourself or to gossip about others. Use the power of your word in the direction of truth and love.

Don't Take Anything Personally: Nothing others do

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2007 Spring Gala Dinner Dance Guest Author Announced: Boston's Dennis Lehane

The Scituate Library Foundation is pleased to announce that Boston's Dennis Lehane will be the Guest Author at its 2007 Spring Gala Dinner Dance & Silent Auction. The Gala will be held at the Barker Tavern in Scituate Harbor on Friday, June 8th, 2007.



Lehane is the author of several novels, including the *New York Times* best-seller *Mystic River*, which was later

made into an Academy Award winning film directed by Clint Eastwood and starring Sean Penn, Tim Robbins and Kevin Bacon.

The novel was a finalist for the PEN/Winslip Award and won the Anthony Award and the Barry Award for Best Novel, the

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Dennis Lehane

Massachusetts Book Award in Fiction and France's Prix Mystere de la Critique.

Lehane was born and raised in Dorchester, Massachusetts, and continues to live in the Boston area, which provides the setting for most of his books. He is a graduate of Boston College High School, Eckerd College (where

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KidsConcert Hits a High Note at the Library

On Sunday afternoon, November 5, Hingham Symphony Orchestra conductor, Jin Kim and eight of the orchestra members, captivated over 140 children and parents who attended the interactive KidsConcert, sponsored by the Scituate Library Foundation.

The program opened with informal introductions allowing the children to meet the musicians

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New Circulation Desk A Wish Fulfilled

On September 7, library staff, trustees, and the public welcomed the newest addition to the library, a brand new circulation desk. People who enter the building are drawn to the sleek welcoming design.

The new desk was designed and built by American Custom Displays, Inc. of Hanover. Owners, Catherine and Michael

Franzini, donated over 25% of the cost of the desk, making it possible for the Scituate Library Foundation to purchase the new desk for the library.

The original desk was designed to accommodate the Gaylord circulation system popular in 1978 when the library was built. The library converted to an

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Corporate Sponsorships

As you know the end of calendar year 2006 is fast approaching. Although the Gala is still six months away, the amount of interest generated by Dennis Lehane is quite extraordinary, as this event is sold out (except for VIP Reception tickets) – for the fourth consecutive year in a row.

However, there's still time for you to make a cash donation, offer up a Silent Auction item or be

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he is currently an author in residence) and the nationally recognized graduate program in creative writing at Florida International University.

Additionally, Lehane has authored *Shutter Island* (2003), *Coronado: Stories* (2006), and just completed a historical novel set in the early 1900s (1918-1921) involving the 1919 Boston police strike and focusing on the unionization of the Boston police, which is scheduled for release in October of 2007.

A movie adaptation of the fourth Kenzie-Gennaro book, *Gone, Baby, Gone*, is currently in post-production with likely release in 2007. It is directed by Ben Affleck (who owns the rights), who also wrote the screenplay. His book, *Shutter Island* has also been optioned by a film company and will become a major motion picture (with Wolfgang Peterson, the director of *The Perfect Storm*, owning those rights).

Pre-gala Author's Reception, An Event In Itself

With the announcement that best-selling author Dennis Lehane would be the guest author at the 2007 Spring Gala, a buzz started, similar to that of a year ago when Doris Kearns Goodwin accepted the Foundation's invitation to visit Scituate.

The result of the Lehane announcement resulted in an immediate rush for Gala tickets, according to Art Dunphy, chairman of the annual Library fundraiser. "For all intents and purposes, the tickets for this year's Gala are already gone," he said, "However, we have set up a waiting list in the event that openings should occur.

"The alternative for those who are unable to purchase Gala



Jeff and Linda Dirksen visit with Doris Kearns Goodwin at the 2006 VIP Reception

tickets, but would like to meet and talk with Mr. Lehané," Dunphy said, "is to attend the pre-gala VIP Reception (5:30-7:30 p.m.) at The River Club in North Scituate."

"Last year's VIP Reception was a wonderful event in itself," Dunphy said. "Doris graciously 'worked the room,' moving from one couple or group to another, providing everyone with the



Charlie and Margaret Lynch with Doris Kearns Goodwin at the 2006 VIP Reception

opportunity to ask her questions, or just listen-in on her conversations. In addition, she spoke to the group for about 10 minutes, in a format entirely different from the Gala."

"I died and went to Heaven... every word was delicious," is the way that Margaret Lynch of Cohasset, a Gala-goer since its inception five years ago, described her feelings after chatting with the Pulitzer Prize-winning author over a glass of

wine at the 2006 VIP Reception.

Scituate's Jeff and Linda Dirksen, who have also attended all of the Gala's thus far, echoed Mrs. Lynch's feelings about the intimacy of the reception, adding, "It was really great hearing Doris speak, then to have the opportunity to converse with her. I could have gone home right after the reception and have been satisfied. This is an event all by itself."

Tickets for the VIP Reception are \$75 per person, which includes generous hors d'oeuvres and an open bar. Reception tickets are limited to 100 persons and may be ordered on line at the Foundation's Website, www.scituatelibraryfoundation.org.

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and learn a little about each of the instruments. French horn player, Peter Soloman, demonstrated how he played the horn by "buzzing like a bee" into the mouthpiece. Woodwind players, Kai-Yun Lu and Andrew Price shared the subtle differences between the clarinet and the oboe. Percussionist, Timur Rubinshteyne, a crowd favorite, gave a lively sampling of several instruments ranging from tambourine to the tympani.

Conductor, Jin Kim, led the audience through exercises that brought the children into the world of musical scores and conducting. After drawing several simple lines on a white board, he asked each musician to "play" what they saw. A straight line evoked a long, even sound. A wavy line drew tonal ups and downs. The crowd hung on every note as each musician took turns interpreting the spiral drawn on the board. Kim demonstrated conducting skills by leading the crowd as they said "hi", first drawing out the sound and then making a quick repetitive staccato. Kim directed the crowd in several renditions of the round, *Row, Row, Row, Your Boat* and explained how a similar technique is used in classical music.

Children responded with amazement as Kim led the octet renditions of *Galop* by Kabalevsky, Prokofiev's *Troika*, the *Saturday Night Waltz* by Copland, and Offenbach's *Finale*. At the conclusion of the concert, the audience was invited to visit with each family of musicians for a more informal opportunity to ask questions and learn more.

receive all the advantages and benefits in 2007! Complete details on corporate and individual Circle Sponsorship donations, along with how to contact SLF, are available on our Website.

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is because of you. What others say and do is a projection of their own reality, their own dream. When you are immune to the opinions and actions of others, you won't be the victim of needless suffering.

Don't Make Assumptions:

Find the courage to ask questions and to express what you really want. Communicate with others as clearly as you can to avoid misunderstandings, sadness, and drama. With just this one agreement, you can completely transform your life.

Always Do Your Best: Your best is going to change from moment to moment; it will be different when you are healthy as opposed to sick. Under any circumstance, simply do your best, and you will avoid self-judgment, self-abuse, and regret.

Because you care about life-long learning, and sharing knowledge, please consider a donation to the Scituate Library Foundation by using the enclosed pre-addressed envelope.

Thank you for your support!

*Sincerely, Skip DeBrusk
President, SLF*

New Desk *continued...*

automated system in 1992 and the old desk was retrofitted to accommodate the new system. Unfortunately, over time, the surface became worn and was not suitable to refinish. As automation changed library use patterns, the old desk became more and more out of sink with current needs.

American Custom Displays, Inc. designed the desk to provide better accessibility for children and the disabled, as well as provide an ergonomic, flexible, work environment for the staff. The desk is thirty inches longer and six inches wider and the entire surface is easily cleaned. The

2007 Gala Auction Items Sought

Two years ago, the Foundation introduced a highly successful **Silent Auction** to the Gala event and raised over \$10,000 towards the endowment. Both live and silent auction items generated considerable excitement among those in attendance.

Donations are now being sought for this year's Silent Auction. Any item, service or donation would be gratefully received and would, of course, be eligible for recognition as a gift to a non-profit organization.

The Silent Auction, is an outstanding opportunity to showcase your business, its generosity and your product(s) or service(s). Each year the Gala is a sell-out event bringing together Scituate's leading business, philanthropic and community leaders. The Foundation is aggressive in its advertising of the event, the Circle Sponsors and the Silent Auction items. Besides a Spring Gala invitation mailing to over 1,400 households in Scituate listing all sponsors and donors, the Foundation places paid advertising throughout the South Shore and lists all participants on the Foundation's highly visible

Website (Circle Sponsorship



levels and benefits are described on our Website).

If you have an item, product or service you would

like to donate to this year's Silent Auction, please contact Peggy Dinger by calling her at (781) 545-7853. Peggy would love to hear from you to discuss any donation idea.

2006 Auction Results

2006 donations included outstanding sports memorabilia, such as signed jerseys from David Ortiz and Adam Vinitieri, original artwork donated by local Scituate artisans, and a day at sea on a private yacht. Restaurant gift certificates, handyman services and weekend condos at Waterville Valley and Ocean's Edge were also donated.

Thanks to all those who donated items to, and purchased items from the SLF 2006 Silent Auction.

Family Fun Day

On behalf of the Scituate Library Family Fun Day Planning Committee, we would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to all those who attended and volunteered their time to make the first Family Fun Day such a success. We would like to recognize the support and help of the Town Administrator's office, along with the Scituate Police Department and the Department of Public Works. Their combined efforts kept the event safe and provided a comfortable, clean environment. To all authors who donated their signed books, the raffle volunteers, Starbucks Cohasset, and Gerry McMorrow of the Scituate Music Center. Finally, we are grateful to both the Friends of Scituate Library and Scituate Federal Savings for their gener-



ous donations that afforded both a day of wonderful performers and free transportation to view the Landscape of a Nation mural.

In addition, we extend our appreciation to Sara Grady of NSRWA, John Loupos of Jade Forest, Marj Bates of Marj Bates Studio, Paul Kukstis of Kukstis Woodcarving, Betty Tufankjian and Barbara Cox of the Scituate Garden Club and members of the Historical Society. And to John Koulopolous of Kajunga Arts and Michael Coyne of Hawkmoon Studio for presenting their extraordinary piece, *Landscape of a Nation*.

We look forward to preparing for next year's event which includes a seaside *Run-to-Read* 10K for all ages. Until then, be sure to check the library event schedule at www.scituatetownlibrary.org for all upcoming programs!



Sincerely,
*Scituate Library
Family Fun Day
Planning Committee*



Skip DeBrusk presents new circulation desk designed by American, Custom Displays to library Director, Kathy Meeker

computer stations are properly wired and the drawers and shelves are customized for current use, but changeable for future needs.

Oak from the old desk was salvaged and readied for reuse. The Franzini's have agreed to store the oak at their shop until provided with plans for a new project. Visit www.americancustomdisplays.com, to view a range of the Franzini's work. The new desk is a library wish

fulfilled by the Scituate Library Foundation, through a partnership with a local business to maximize foundation dollars.

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Friends of Scituate Library invite all Scituate residents to our annual, two-day, **Winter Book Sale.**

The event will be held at the Scituate Town Library, on Saturday, January 20 from 9am to 5pm and on Sunday, January 21 from 1:30pm to 5pm.

We also have movies, audio-books, reference books, games and magazines.



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