



Gloversville Public Library  
Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
April 17, 2012  
6:30 pm  
Gloversville Public Library

Pledge to the Flag  
Public Comment

1. Accept minutes of last meeting, March 20
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Budget and Finance
  - Contingency budget
4. Friends
5. Building and Grounds
  - Planning study and capital campaign report
  - Clean out the basement
  - Masonry cleaning
6. AD HOC Policy
  - By-laws and purchasing updates
  - Plan of Service
7. Personnel Committee
  - Director evaluation
  - Custodial worker
  - Health of staff
8. Program Committee
9. PR Committee
10. Director's Report
  - Election report
  - Chamber merger
11. President's Report
  - Thank yous for planning study assistance
  - Friends' update
  - Set July meeting
12. Foundation
13. Old Business
14. New Business
15. Adjourn



Barbara Madonna  
Library Director

2011-2011  
Board of Trustees

Elizabeth Batchelor

Craig Clark

Jay Ephraim

Christine Pesses

David Fisher

Hannah McAllister

Robin Lair

Karen S. Smith

Daniel R. Towne, Jr.

## Draft Minutes of The Groversville Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

March 20, 2012

The Groversville Public Library Board of Trustees held a meeting on March 20, 2012 in the Reading Room at the Library, 58 E. Fulton Street, Groversville, New York at 6:30 P.M.

The following trustees were present: Christine Pesses, Jay Ephraim, Robin Lair, Elizabeth Batchelor, Karen Smith and Hannah McAllister. Michael J. Frank, Financial and Recording Secretary and Barbara J. Madonna, Director of the Groversville Public Library also attended the meeting. David Fisher, Craig Clark and Daniel Towne, Jr. were excused from the meeting.

Mrs. Pesses, President of the Board, opened the meeting by leading the Trustees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Pesses asked if there was anything anyone from the Public wished to present at this time. Hearing nothing, the regular meeting was convened.

Mrs. Pesses asked the Trustees to review the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Trustees held on February 21, 2012. Mrs. Pesses asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the meeting as presented. Hearing none, Ms. Batchelor made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Lair, to approve the minutes as presented. This motion was approved all voting aye.

In Mr. Fisher's absence, Mr. Frank reviewed the Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2012 and the fiscal year-to-date through February 29, 2012 with the Trustees. Mr. Frank commented that the Library's receipts and expenses through February 29, 2012 were pretty well on track with our budgeted amounts for this period. Mr. Frank asked if there were any questions or comments on the financials for the month of February or the year to date through February 29, 2012. Hearing none, Mrs. Lair made a motion, seconded by Ms. Batchelor, to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. This was approved all voting aye.

Mrs. Pesses informed the Trustees that we needed to have our budget-hearing meeting prior to the regular meeting of the Trustees in April. Ms. Batchelor made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith, to hold our budget-hearing meeting on April 17, 2012 at 6:30 PM to be followed by the regular meeting of the Trustees. This was approved all voting aye.

Mrs. Pesses informed the Trustees that the Friends of the Library would be hosting a fundraiser concert by the Inter Mountain Trio at 2:00 PM on May 20<sup>th</sup> at Skyheart Place. Mrs. Pesses also informed the Trustees that the Friends' newsletter was done and would be out in early April.

Mrs. Pesses informed the Trustees that a "Case" for the Capital Campaign Planning Study was emailed to all the Trustees containing information about the history of the Library and its significance in the Community. Also included are plans for the renovation and modernization of the present Library building. An introductory letter will be mailed with this to approximately 120 people in the community asking them if they would agree to be interviewed by Ghioris & Sorrenti, Inc. to get their impressions on the image of the Library in the Community and their level of support for the Library. These interviews will include their ideas on items of interest in the Library, their level of interest in leadership support and their level of interest in financial support of the renovation project. These interviews will begin on March 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Pesses also informed the Trustees that we would once again be cleaning out the basement and possibly having a garage sale in the spring to dispose of unused and unneeded items. Ms. Madonna will check with the Friends to see if they would help with this project. Mr. Frank will be meeting with Mrs. Pesses to review financial records being kept after the next Trustee's meeting.

Ms. Madonna informed the Trustees that the cleaning of the outside of the building would be starting in April and that the firm doing the work had been there and taken samples of the mortar to match with any repairs needed.

Ms. Madonna informed the Trustees that our attorney had asked for copies of our By-laws and policies again to begin her review and recommendations.

Mrs. Lair reminded the Trustees that their Director's Evaluation forms were due to her as soon as possible so that the Personnel Committee could complete their yearly evaluation of our Director.

Mr. Ephraim brought the Trustees up to date on the progress with GLOVERSVILLE READS! 2012, which is a program, aimed at getting the community to all read the same book. Many activities have been schedule as part of this program including book discussions, lectures by a SUNY Albany professor, and a trip to the Baseball Museum in Cooperstown and a trip to a ballgame in Albany. Mr. Ephraim informed the Trustees that the Senior Center has expressed an interest in getting involved with the program. Mr. Ephraim said that he felt that we should present a program at the Senior Center to make them more aware of the many services provided at our Library.

Mrs. Lair informed the Trustees that the Public Relations Committee was continuing their monthly meetings and that they were looking at ideas to promote the Library during National Library Week in April. The Library newsletter will feature an article written by Mr. Towne this month and it will also be in the Leader-Herald newspaper in the Voices section.

Ms. Madonna informed the Trustees that the Trustee Packets for anyone interested in running for the 2 seats up for election in May must be returned to the Library by March 30<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Madonna informed the Trustees that it was time to renew our Joint Automation Agreement with MVLS/SALS for the coming year. Ms. Smith made a motion, seconded by Mrs. McAllister, to approve the signing of the Joint Automation Agreement with MVLS/SALS. This was approved all voting aye.

Mr. Frank informed the Trustees that the Foundation had not met since their Annual Meeting in December.

Mrs. Pesses informed the Trustees that she and Ms. Batchelor had met with Mrs. Mazur and Mrs. Kicinski from the Friends of the Library last Thursday to bring them up to date on the progress of the Planning Study and the Capital Campaign.

Ms. Smith informed the Trustees that she had attended the BID meeting at Skyheart Place and that they are planning a Victorian Stroll. She will keep us informed as to our possible participation in this event.

Ms. Madonna informed the Trustees that she had been approached about a possible spot in the Library for a class on using HAM Radios. The Trustees agreed that this would be OK if offered free of charge except for the cost of materials and was open to the public.

The next meeting of the Trustees will be held on April 17, 2012 at 6:30 P.M.

Ms. Batchelor made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 P.M. This was approved all voting aye.

Michael J. Frank  
Recording Secretary

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Karen S. Smith  
Secretary

**GLOVERSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**RECEIPTS**

**MARCH 2012**

	<u>Budget July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012</u>	<u>Amount Received Curr. Month</u>	<u>Amount Received Year to Date</u>	<u>Remaining Balance to be Received</u>
Tax Levy	\$253,200.00	\$0.00	\$253,200.00	\$0.00
Investment Income	500.00	76.12	239.46	260.54
Gloversville Library Foundation Inc. - Int. & Div.	135,000.00	6,681.08	112,704.11	22,295.89
Gloversville Library Foundation Inc. - Don. Reg.	5,000.00	0.00	7,145.00	(2,145.00)
Government Affiliations	5,000.00	0.00	5,965.00	(965.00)
Fines & Miscellaneous Income	10,000.00	693.70	7,325.21	2,674.79
Friends of the Gloversville Public Library, Inc.	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u><b>\$418,700.00</b></u>	<u><b>\$7,450.90</b></u>	<u><b>\$396,578.78</b></u>	<u><b>\$22,121.22</b></u>

	<u>Income Cash Reconcilement</u>
Income Cash Balance on March 1, 2012	<u>\$402,268.08</u>
Plus: Receipts Per Report	7,450.90
Less: Expenses Per Report	<u>29,102.62</u>
Income Cash Balance on March 31, 2012	<u><u>380,616.36</u></u>
Accounts Payable as of 03/31/12	0.00
Prepaid Expenses as of 03/31/12	<u>(5,103.19)</u>
Actual Cash Balance on March 31, 2012	<u><u>\$375,513.17</u></u>

**BUILDING FUND**

Balance on March 1, 2012	\$131,144.25
Plus: Receipts:	
Interest on Money Market Account	9.58
Donations from Gloversville Library Foundation, Inc.	54,586.74
Less: Paid Outs:	
Cabot Wrenn - Chairs	<u>4,501.98</u>
Balance on March 31, 2012	<u><u>\$181,238.59</u></u>

Prepared By,  
Michael J. Frank, Financial and Recording Secretary

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Submitted By,  
David R. Fisher, Treasurer

**GLOVERSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**MONTH AND YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENSES TO BUDGET**

**MARCH 2012**

	Budget July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012	Amount Expended Curr. Month	Amount Expended Year to Date	Unexpended Balance
Salaries - Full Time Employees	\$132,044.00	\$10,696.58	\$98,726.82	\$33,317.18
Salaries - Part Time Employees	84,217.00	6,285.72	59,958.87	24,258.13
Salaries - Custodians	12,531.00	964.00	9,399.00	3,132.00
F I C A & Medicare Tax	17,502.00	1,372.79	12,866.88	4,635.12
Unemployment Insurance	650.00	0.00	459.00	191.00
Disability Insurance	600.00	0.00	584.16	15.84
Medical Insurance	22,500.00	1,471.80	16,794.42	5,705.58
Pension Expense	25,000.00	0.00	16,196.75	8,803.25
Heat	12,250.00	1,497.95	5,706.80	6,543.20
Electricity	9,500.00	490.46	4,739.86	4,760.14
Telephone	650.00	0.00	1,457.10	(807.10)
Insurance	10,500.00	0.00	6,087.14	4,412.86
Books, Periodicals, etc.	45,000.00	2,809.11	37,528.88	7,471.12
Computer & Automation Services	16,000.00	1,060.93	9,947.79	6,052.21
Library, Building & Office Supplies	9,300.00	807.23	8,412.83	887.17
Maintenance & Repairs	13,700.00	327.00	864.08	12,835.92
Financial Secretary	7,800.00	650.00	5,850.00	1,950.00
Professional Fees	5,000.00	0.00	1,050.00	3,950.00
Election Expense	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Professional Meetings & Travel	2,000.00	255.30	1,519.70	480.30
Events & Programming	4,000.00	150.00	2,061.94	1,938.06
Promotion Expense	2,000.00	150.00	1,033.50	966.50
General Expense	1,200.00	113.75	1,216.27	(16.27)
Restoration, etc. Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$434,944.00</b>	<b>\$29,102.62</b>	<b>\$302,461.79</b>	<b>\$132,482.21</b>

**GLOVERSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
CHECK AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS  
MARCH 2012**

<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>		<u>Fund</u>
DM	E F T United States Treasury (2,268.45)	\$693.93	FICA & Medicare Expense
		1,574.52	Payroll
3500	Gloversville Public Library	7,118.80	Payroll
3501	Barbara J. Madonna	194.25	Professional Meetings & Travel
3502	Donna J. Kuhner	200.00	Petty Cash
3503	Michael Daly	25.00	Events & Programming
3504	Rosanne Melita	100.00	Events & Programming
3505	Midamerica Books	1,301.69	Books
3506	Unique Management Services, Inc.	89.55	G/E - Collection Expense
3507	Business Card (836.52)	101.06	Maintenance & Repairs
		32.54	Postage
		302.60	A/V - DVDs
		385.48	Library Supplies
		14.84	Building Supplies
3508	National Grid (1,988.41)	1,497.95	Heat
		490.46	Electric
3509	Warren Electric Supply, Inc.	25.94	Maintenance & Repairs
3510	MVLS/SALS Joint Automation Project	1,060.93	Computer & Automation
3511	The Leader-Herald	150.00	Promotion Expense
3512	Electronic Office Products, Inc.	10.62	Library Supplies
3513	Baker & Taylor Books	272.05	Books
3514	Center Point Large Print	496.08	Books
3515	Palmateer Trucking & Container Service	95.00	Maintenance & Repairs
3516	Bonnie Howard	61.05	Professional Meetings & Travel
3517	Gloversville Public Library	6,994.45	Payroll
3518	Michael J. Frank	650.00	Financial Secretary
3519	Daniel Towne, Jr.	25.00	Events & Programming
3520	Center Point Large Print	54.59	Books
3521	Blue Shield of Northeastern New York	1,397.28	Medical Insurance
3522	Derby Office Equipment, Inc.	265.00	Library Supplies
3523	Quill Corporation	98.75	Library Supplies
3524	Fulton County Glassworks, Inc.	105.00	Maintenance & Repairs
3525	Children's Plus, Inc.	124.60	Books
DM	E F T NYS & Local Retirement System	210.15	Pension - Withholdings
DM	E F T NYS Tax Department	521.90	Payroll
DM	E F T United States Treasury (2,205.34)	678.86	FICA & Medicare Expense
		1,526.48	Payroll
DMS	Jaeger & Flynn Associates, Inc. (Reimbursements)	74.52	Medical Insurance
	CHECK PAID OUTS - MARCH 2012	<u>29,020.92</u>	
	PETTY CASH PAID OUTS - MARCH 2012		
	General Expense - Lunch Interviewers	24.20	
	Newspapers (Books)	<u>257.50</u>	
	<b>TOTAL MARCH 2012 PAID OUTS</b>	<u><u>\$29,302.62</u></u>	
	Less: Petty Cash Check	<u>(200.00)</u>	
	<b>NET TO BALANCE TO EXPENSES</b>	<u><u>\$29,102.62</u></u>	

**GLOVERSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
GRANTS IN PROCESS**

**SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE GRANT (Senator Farley)**

Balance as of March 1, 2012		\$768.73
Grant Money Received		0.00
Expenses Paid From Grant Money:	<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
None		<u>0.00</u>
Total Expenses		<u>0.00</u>
Balance of Grant Money Left at March 31, 2012		<u><u>\$768.73</u></u>

**BILL & MELINDA GATES GRANT**

Balance as of March 1, 2012		\$147.86
Grant Money Received		0.00
Expenses Paid From Grant Money:	<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
None		<u>0.00</u>
Total Expenses		<u>0.00</u>
Balance of Grant Money Left at March 31, 2012		<u><u>\$147.86</u></u>

**STEWART'S FOUNDATION GRANT**

Balance as of March 1, 2012		\$50.00
Grant Money Received		500.00
Expenses Paid From Grant Money:	<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Ryan Richards		<u>0.00</u>
Total Expenses		<u>0.00</u>
Balance of Grant Money Left at March 31, 2012		<u><u>\$550.00</u></u>

**WGY CHRISTMAS WISH GRANT**

Balance as of March 1, 2012		\$0.00
Grant Money Received		0.00
Expenses Paid From Grant Money:	<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Thomas Jones		<u>0.00</u>
Total Expenses		<u>0.00</u>
Balance of Grant Money Left at March 31, 2012		<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>

**RESTORATION FUNDS RECONCILEMENT**

Balance as of March 1, 2012		\$754.38
Funds Received		0.00
Expenses Paid From Restoration Funds:	<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
None		<u>0.00</u>
Total Expenses		<u>0.00</u>
Balance of Restoration Funds Left at March 31, 2012		<u><u>\$754.38</u></u>



## Gloversville Public Library

Director's Report: March 2012

Barbara Madonna – Director

While it seems like a ridiculous waste of time for both lobbyists and legislators, Advocacy Day this year in Albany was encouraging. Not only did our representatives make the right noises about wanting to support libraries with funding, but they used facts, figures and anecdotal stories to demonstrate that they have been listening all these years. Had they, and the Governor, not passed a budget with \$2.615 million in additional Library Aid, perhaps I would not be thinking so kindly.

I participated in a very interesting demonstration from Foundation Search, a company that gathers, organizes and sells access to foundations across the country. Though expensive, the number of foundations collected is astounding and the search features are the best I've seen.

Planning meetings for GLOVERSVILLE READS! 2012 continued throughout the month and the kick off will be Opening Day, Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 11am. A copy of the calendar of events is attached.

Lastly, Ghiorso & Sorenti began interviews for the capital campaign planning study. One side benefit...my office was cleaned out. 😊

### Meetings and Workshops

- March 1<sup>st</sup> Closed – snow day
- March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1) Lois Gordon, MVLS  
2) Merry Brown
- March 6<sup>th</sup> Advocacy Day
- March 7<sup>th</sup> 1) GLOVERSVILLE READS! 2012 meeting  
2) Jim Walsh, City Electrician
- March 8<sup>th</sup> Rick Bamberger, Quality Books
- March 9<sup>th</sup> Jim Walsh, City Electrician
- March 13<sup>th</sup> 1) Jim Walsh, City Electrician  
2) Chris Pesses
- March 14<sup>th</sup> GLOVERSVILLE READS! 2012 meeting
- March 15<sup>th</sup> PR committee meeting
- March 20<sup>th</sup> 1) Staff meeting  
2) Board meeting
- March 21<sup>st</sup> 1) Book discussion, The Autobiography of Mrs. Tom Thumb by Melanie Benjamin  
2) GLOVERSVILLE READS! 2012 meeting
- March 28<sup>th</sup> Paul Mays and Meghan Brennan, Butler, Rowland and Mays Architects
- March 29<sup>th</sup> GLOVERSVILLE READS! 2012 meeting





## Gloversville Public Library

Children's Room Report: March 2012

Sherry Gennett – Head of Children's Services

The question of the day is "What is a Sugar Glider?"

It was so nice hosting Boulevard Elementary Pre-K classes this month. As usual it take two full days to get every class through; two sessions each day including 1 am and 1 pm class. March 6th and 7th worked out for their schedule. Totals for the visit were 83 children and 19 adults.

I was invited by Steve Pavone, Principal at Park Terrace, to join in recognition of reading to students on Dr. Seuss' Birthday and National Read Across America Day. This was the third year in a row I've been asked to read. It was a fun day.

Both story time and Knitting groups continue to be well attended. Once again our parents and grandparents are great role models for good library behavior. I will be putting out questionnaires for all groups including the Bibliomaniacs.

Cathy keeps the Children's Room up to date with Holiday books and item specific categories such as President's day, Earth Day, Black History month and so on. She also makes sure announcements throughout the library are up to date. Sonny's been creating the elevated bulletin boards each month along with forever changing table tent calendars.

Now, for the question of the month, "What is a Sugar Glider?"\* We had a child come in and asked if we had a book on "Sugar Gliders." Cathy and I spent some time on a lengthy reference interview, which sounds very formal, especially with children, but it was fun if at the same time very challenging. Still, conducting thorough reference interviews teach children how to really get to the heart of their reference question and articulate their real need. It is amazing how many times patrons, of all ages, ask us for one thing when they really need something nearly unrelated.

Spring is here.

Sherry Gennett

\*As it turned out the "Sugar Glider" was a small nocturnal native to Australia and Indonesia.

# Gloversville Public Library

March 2012

## Monthly Report

Statistics for March 2012 are as follows (figures in parentheses represent comparable figures for March 2011):

	2012	2011
<b><u>VISITORS</u></b>	11,405	(11,536)

### **CIRCULATION**

Adult Circulation	3,051	(3,575)
Teen Circulation	297	(347)
Juvenile Circulation	2,078	(2,385)
Other Materials	2,408	(2,115)
Subtotal	<u>7,834</u>	<u>(8,422)</u>
<b><u>In-House Use</u></b>		
Adult	504	(307)
Juvenile	626	(744)
Other Materials	1,768	(1,447)
Subtotal	<u>2,898</u>	<u>(2,498)</u>
<b>Total March Circulation</b>	<b>10,732</b>	<b>(10,920)</b>

<b><u>REFERENCE QUESTIONS</u></b>	654	(523)
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### **MEETINGS/PROGRAMS/OUTREACH**

16 Adult programs and meetings with 178 people (17 Adult programs and meetings with 280 people)  
17 Juvenile programs with 331 children (16 Juvenile programs with 327 children)

<b><u>INTERLIBRARY LOAN</u></b>	<b><u>Material Borrowed</u></b>	<b><u>Material Loaned</u></b>
Books	812	531
AV	181	15
Total	<u>993</u>	<u>546</u>

<b><u>COMPUTER USAGE</u></b>	1,092	(1,137) users
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### **HISTORICAL ROOM**

Visitors	8
Books Used	20
Reference Questions	0
Telephone Reference	2
Letters	0
Computer usage	0

# GLOVERSVILLE READS! 2012

Welcome to Gloversville's first community read!

**A community read is about bringing a community together through a common book. By reading, discussing, and exploring the topic with related programming a community strengthens its commitment to reading while finding out new details about itself and its citizens. GLOVERSVILLE READS! 2012's titles are Shoeless Joe for adults, and the poem "Casey at the Bat" for children. Copies can be obtained from the Library. Fulton County has a long, rich history of baseball that is being highlighted this year. Join our community read to celebrate that history.**

**Saturday, April 21 11:00am—1pm**

Opening Day at the Gloversville Public Library

"The opening pitch will be thrown out for a season of community reading."

National Anthem & Take Me Out to the Ball Game

How fast can you pitch?? Find out at the radar pitching station

Play baseball related games and earn baseball cards & related crafts

**Saturday, April 28**

Visit us at the Gloversville Little League

Opening Day at the Little League Field

**Thursday, May 3 10:30am**

Story and Craft Hour with Patty Franco

**Friday, May 11 6pm**

The Gloversville Senior Center

Presents A League of Their Own

Open to all

**Wednesday, May 16 10am**

Book Discussion @ the Library led by Roz Melita  
Shoeless Joe by W.P. Kinsella, an uplifting story of  
baseball, life, relationships and dreams

Title available at the Library

**Monday, May 21 6pm**

"Casey at the Bat" by Ernest Thayer

Family program with Professor Rob Edelman

**Friday, June 1 6pm**

The Gloversville Senior Center presents Field of Dreams

Open to all

**Monday, June 11 6pm**

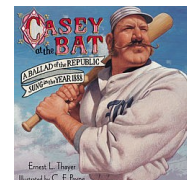
Baseball in Film: Family program

Presented by Professor Rob Edelman

**Thursday, June 14 10am**

Book Discussion at the Gloversville Senior Center

Led by Roz Melita Shoeless Joe by W.P. Kinsella



**Thursday, June 28 evening**

Bus Trip to see a TriValley Cats game

@ Joseph L. Bruno Field, Troy

Premium seats & fireworks finale

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED Deadline June 1

\$27 per person

**Monday, July 2 6pm**

Evening Book Discussion

at the Gloversville Public Library

Led by Roz Melita

Shoeless Joe by W.P. Kinsella

**Friday, July 6 6pm**

The Gloversville Senior Center presents The Rookie

Open to all

**Monday, July 23 6pm**

Book Discussion

The Art of Fielding by Chad Harbuch

Led by Rob Edelman,

Title available at the Library

Funded by NYSCA

**Wednesday, July 25 at 7pm**

Gloversville Civic Band

Tribute to baseball

**Thursday, July 26 all day**

Cooperstown Hall of Fame bus trip

with special educational programs just for us.

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED Deadline: July 12

\$40 per adult, \$25 age 18 and under

**Thank you to our partners:** Gloversville Enlarged School District, Friends of the Gloversville Public Library, Gloversville Police Department, Gloversville Little League, Gloversville Civic Band, Senior Center of Gloversville and Fulton County, Fulton County Historical Society and Museum, NYSCA & Mohawk Valley Library System, Finnegan's Sports Cards and Judge John N. Clo.

**Gloversville Public Library**, 58 East Fulton Street, Gloversville, New York 12078, 518-725-2819, gpl@sals.edu, www.gloversvillelibrary.org



## “Casey at the Bat” by Ernest Lawrence Thayer

The outlook wasn't brilliant for the Mudville nine that day:  
The score stood four to two, with but one inning more to play,  
And then when Cooney died at first, and Barrows did the same,  
A pall-like silence fell upon the patrons of the game.

A straggling few got up to go in deep despair. The rest  
Clung to the hope which springs eternal in the human breast;  
They thought, "If only Casey could but get a whack at that—  
We'd put up even money now, with Casey at the bat."

But Flynn preceded Casey, as did also Jimmy Blake,  
And the former was a hoodoo, while the latter was a cake;  
So upon that stricken multitude grim melancholy sat,  
For there seemed but little chance of Casey getting to the bat.

But Flynn let drive a single, to the wonderment of all,  
And Blake, the much despised, tore the cover off the ball;  
And when the dust had lifted, and men saw what had occurred,  
There was Jimmy safe at second and Flynn a-hugging third.

Then from five thousand throats and more there rose a lusty yell;  
It rumbled through the valley, it rattled in the dell;  
It pounded on the mountain and recoiled upon the flat,  
For Casey, mighty Casey, was advancing to the bat.

There was ease in Casey's manner as he stepped into his place;  
There was pride in Casey's bearing and a smile lit Casey's face.  
And when, responding to the cheers, he lightly doffed his hat,  
No stranger in the crowd could doubt 'twas Casey at the bat.

Ten thousand eyes were on him as he rubbed his hands with dirt;  
Five thousand tongues applauded when he wiped them on his shirt;  
Then while the writhing pitcher ground the ball into his hip,  
Defiance flashed in Casey's eye, a sneer curled Casey's lip.

And now the leather-covered sphere came hurtling through the air,  
And Casey stood a-watching it in haughty grandeur there.  
Close by the sturdy batsman the ball unheeded sped—  
"That ain't my style," said Casey. "Strike one!" the umpire said.

From the benches, black with people, there went up a muffled roar,  
Like the beating of the storm-waves on a stern and distant shore;  
"Kill him! Kill the umpire!" shouted someone on the stand;  
And it's likely they'd have killed him had not Casey raised his hand.

With a smile of Christian charity great Casey's visage shone;  
He stilled the rising tumult; he bade the game go on;  
He signaled to the pitcher, and once more the dun sphere flew;  
But Casey still ignored it and the umpire said, "Strike two!"

"Fraud!" cried the maddened thousands, and echo answered "Fraud!"  
But one scornful look from Casey and the audience was awed.  
They saw his face grow stern and cold, they saw his muscles strain,  
And they knew that Casey wouldn't let that ball go by again.

The sneer is gone from Casey's lip, his teeth are clenched in hate,  
He pounds with cruel violence his bat upon the plate;  
And now the pitcher holds the ball, and now he lets it go,  
And now the air is shattered by the force of Casey's blow.

Oh, somewhere in this favoured land the sun is shining bright,  
The band is playing somewhere, and somewhere hearts are light;  
And somewhere men are laughing, and somewhere children shout,  
But there is no joy in Mudville—mighty Casey has struck out.

## How can you participate in GLOVERSVILLE READS! 2012?

- Read “Casey at the Bat” and Shoeless Joe
- Attend the GLOVERSVILLE READS! 2012 programs.
- Read baseball related books or watch baseball movies

Visit the Library for more details.

### Baseball Booklist for Adults

Shoeless Joe Jackson—GR'12 Book Selection

The Art of Fielding

The Natural

Moneyball

Blockade Billy

The Last Hero: A Life of Henry Aaron

The Last Boy: Mickey Mantle and the End of

America's Childhood

Invisible Men: Life in Baseball's Negro Leagues

Baseball in the Garden of Eden: The Secret

History of the Early Game

We Would Have Played for Nothing: Baseball

Stars of the 1950s and 1960s Talk About the

Game They Loved

The House That Ruth Built: A New Stadium, the

First Yankees Championship, and the

Redemption of 1923

### Baseball Booklist for Kids

Joe DiMaggio: Young Sports Hero

Mark McGwire

Jackie Robinson Playing Right Field

Casey at the Bat

Babe Ruth Ballet School

Dirt in their Skirts

Take Me Out to the Bat and Ball Factory

Great Moments in Baseball History

A Whole New Game

Leagues Apart

Return of the Home Run Kid

Shadow over Second

Stanger in Right Field

Zero's Slider

### Baseball in Film

A League of Their Own

The Natural

The Rookie

Field of Dreams

The Bad News Bears

Angels in the Outfield

The Jackie Robinson Story

Curious George Plays Ball



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at the Library

**GLOVERSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**ADOPTED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2012-13 EXPENSES**

	Actual Expenses 2010-11	Budget Fiscal Yr 2011-12	12 Months Estimated Expenses 2011-12	Budget With Custodial Wkr Fiscal Yr 2012-13	Custodian Percent Inc/Dec
Salaries - Full Time Employees	\$129,052	\$132,044	\$132,045	\$136,044	3.03%
Salaries - Part Time Employees	67,862	84,217	\$81,238	89,180	5.89%
Salaries - Custodians	12,285	12,531	\$12,807	21,840	74.29%
F I C A & Medicare Tax	16,106	17,502	\$17,310	18,900	7.99%
Unemployment Insurance	593	650	\$514	600	-7.69%
Disability Insurance	493	600	\$1,001	765	27.50%
Medical Insurance	18,517	22,500	\$23,819	30,250	34.44%
Pension Expense	16,459	25,000	\$27,766	27,000	8.00%
Heat	9,813	12,250	\$3,820	12,000	-2.04%
Electricity	7,387	9,500	\$6,293	9,000	-5.26%
Telephone	624	650	\$650	650	0.00%
Insurance	5,809	10,500	\$10,435	10,500	0.00%
Books, Periodicals, etc.	45,651	45,000	\$57,537	45,000	0.00%
Computer & Automation Services	17,096	16,000	\$13,372	17,000	6.25%
Library, Building & Office Supplies	8,579	9,300	\$10,950	9,300	0.00%
Maintenance & Repairs	3,879	13,700	\$741	13,700	0.00%
Financial Secretary	7,800	7,800	\$7,800	8,000	2.56%
Professional Fees	2,700	5,000	\$1,800	7,000	40.00%
Election Expense	671	1,000	\$700	1,000	0.00%
Professional Meetings & Travel	1,882	2,000	\$2,168	2,000	0.00%
Events & Programming	4,166	4,000	\$2,892	4,500	12.50%
Promotion Expense	2,513	2,000	\$1,515	2,000	0.00%
General Expense*	14,174	1,200	\$1,702	1,500	25.00%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$394,110</b>	<b>\$434,944</b>	<b>\$428,153</b>	<b>\$467,729</b>	
Adopted 2/21/12				\$32,785 7.54%	

**GLOVERSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
ADOPTED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2012-13 INCOME**

	Actual Income 2010-11	Budget Fiscal Yr 2011-12	<u>12 Months</u> Estimated Income 2011-12	Budget Fiscal Yr 2012-13
Tax Levy	\$241,200	\$253,200	\$253,200	\$259,106
Investment Income	330	500	250	300
Foundation Int & Div Income	137,468	135,000	135,000	140,000
Foundation Donation Income**	10,185	5,000	7,000	5,000
Government Affiliations	7,152	5,000	6,000	6,000
Fines & Miscellaneous Income	14,876	10,000	10,000	10,000
Friends of the Gloversville Library, Inc.	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<u><u>\$421,212</u></u>	<u><u>\$418,700</u></u>	<u><u>\$419,950</u></u>	<u><u>\$430,406</u></u>
Excess or Shortfall	\$27,102	(\$16,244)	(\$8,203)	(\$37,323)

\*General Expense in 2010-11 Includes \$12,660 related to refurbishing of lobby paintings

\*\*Gloversville Library Foundation -Donations in 2010-11 includes one time special gift of \$4,600 related to refurbishing of paintings

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