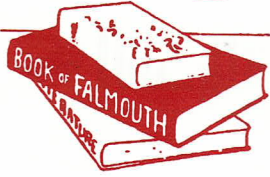


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*Friends of the Falmouth Public Library*

# Newsletter

Fall 2001

## Old Glory Unfurls over the Friends Summer Booksale

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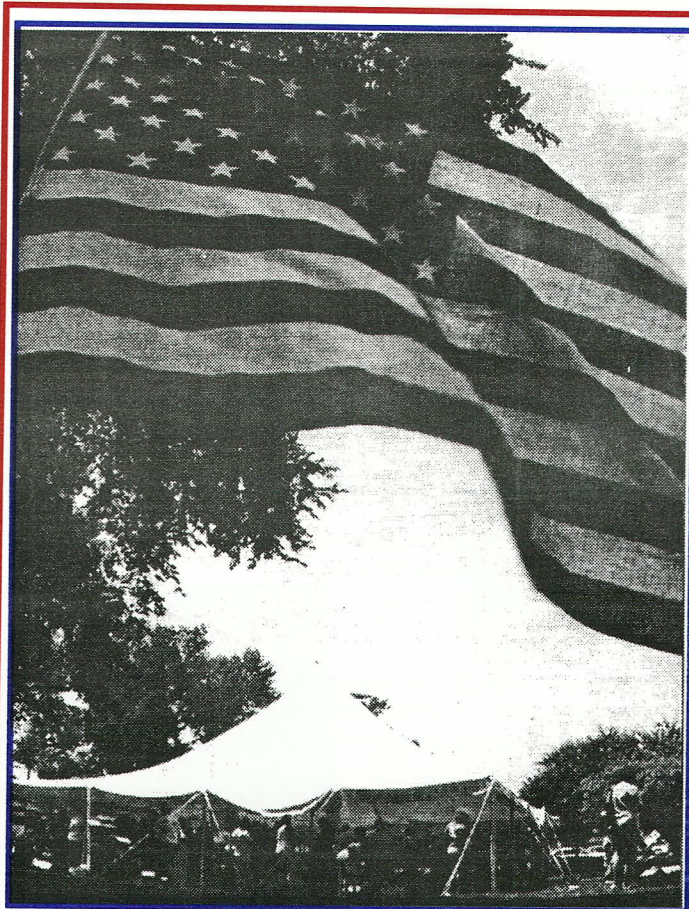
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We are indebted to the Cape Cod Times for the startlingly appropriate photo taken last June at the opening of the Friends summer Booksale. Although taken little more than two months ago it is now a very different world and nothing will ever seem quite the same again. However, life will go on, the library will remain open, the Friends will continue to collect books, and next year there will be another sale under the tent on the library lawn.

For more information on the July Book sale and plans for smaller sales before that date please consult the President's Corner on page 3.



### Friends Announce New Joy of Learning Schedule for October, 2001

THIS IS A FRONT PAGE ALERT!!! INSIDE YOU WILL FIND THE SCHEDULE

# Joy of Learning Schedule of Courses for Fall 2001

*The Friends of the Falmouth Public Library will offer five new courses which will begin Monday, October 15, 2001. Classes will meet one hour per week for four weeks.*

*The classes are free and open to the public.*

*Note: The Joys of Genealogy will meet 2 hours each week.*

## THE COURSES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

**Mondays, October 15, 22, 28, and November 5**  
**10am to 11am.**

**GETTYSBURG:** This class will cover the preliminary campaigns and each of the first three days of the largest battle ever fought on American soil. The course will address some of the common misconceptions, myths, legends and lesser known actions of the battle. A video will be shown of the battlefield as it is today. Efforts to restore more of the battlefield to its original state will be included.

*Howard Whitmore B.M. Ashland U. M.M. Kent State U. Director of Choirs at the First Congregational Church of Falmouth.*

**Tuesdays, October 23, 30, November 6, 13**  
**10am to 11am.**

**THE MIDDLE EAST AND HOW IT GOT THAT WAY:** This course will focus on shifting Great Power rivalries: the rise of Arab Nationalism; Arab-Israeli conflict and how these strands have been woven into the Near Eastern Tapestry we see today. This course will be a reprise of one given in the fall of 1999 but with information added due to the timeliness of the subject.

*William D. Brewer B. A. Williams. Fletcher School. Professor Emeritus, Occidental College, Los Angeles. Retired Ambassador and Career Foreign Service Officer.*

**Wednesdays, October 17, 24, 31 and November 7**  
**3:30 pm to 4:30 pm**

**HOW WE REMEMBER OUR LIVES:** Using recent scientific discoveries, Susan Baur will present a survey of how autobiographical memory works, how it helps us, how it feels, and how we rely on it for a sense of identity, for maintaining relationships, for guiding our behavior and stabilizing our moods. She will also discuss how it feels to live with the contradictory experiences that memory gives us.

*Susan Baur is a psychologist and author. She lives in North Falmouth and is currently working on a book called *In The Shadowlands of Memory: How We Remember Our Lives*.*

**Thursdays, October 18, 25 November 1, 8**  
**2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.**

**THE JOYS OF GENEALOGY:** This course will offer 2 one hour presentations on each class day. The offering will include: Getting Started, Using Internet and Computer programs, Vital Records, Church Records, U. S. Census, LDS Records (Mormon), Land and Probate Records, Military Records, Passengership Lists and Immigration Records.

*Several members of the Falmouth Genealogical Society, all of whom are experienced genealogists, will give the presentations.*

**Fridays October 19, 26 November 2, 9**  
**10:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**ART AND VISION:** This course will show how great art depends on human vision for its creation and its appreciation. Various great works of art will be examined to demonstrate.

*William Adelman Jr. Phd. University of Rochester. Member of the Copley Society of Boston. Copley artist. Falmouth Artists Guild. Studied Art in N. Y. C.*

# Night and Day

## The Friends love New York

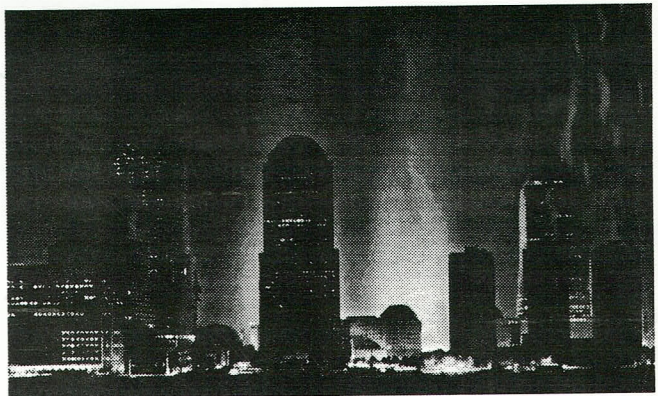
Some time after the World Trade Center disaster I heard that Dan Rather had cried on the David Letterman show. I assumed that he was crying along with the rest of the country, but then I heard that his tears were prompted by something quite specific, the last verse of America the Beautiful, an anthem which has special meaning to all of us who live in Falmouth.

*Oh beautiful for patriots dream,  
That sees, beyond the years,  
Thine alabaster cities gleam,  
Undimmed by human tears!*

Rather evidently felt at the time that the alabaster cities would never gleam again and any view of them would surely be all but eradicated by human tears.

Below are two pictures which I found particularly moving.

One, taken by the New York Times, shows the lower Manhattan skyline taken at twilight with the Towers gone but their outline clearly visible in light and perhaps smoke. The title is *The Remains of the Day*.



The second picture is the 9/24/01 cover of the New Yorker. At first glance it is entirely black which in itself would have been very effective, but tilt the cover to the left and get the light at just the right angle and you will see the Towers. The title of the cover is simply 9/11/01. If you have not seen it I am sure the library has a copy. Study it and cry along with Dan and all of America.

M. Sanborn

*In memory of*

# PHYLLIS EASTWOOD

*librarian extraordinaire and one of the best friends the Friends has ever had*

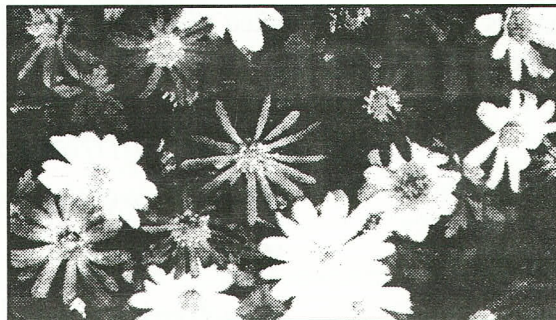
Phyllis came to work at the Main Library about the same time that the Friends were first forming. We grew and she grew more. Quiet, unassuming, usually smiling and always working, working, working to make the Children's department the very best. Her love for and patience with the children and parents she served radiated from her face as she went about her various projects. To watch her read to them was to know that she loved her job very much. Observing her almost daily in the last month of her life was to marvel at the amazing courage of one small person.

There was standing room only in the lovely church in North Falmouth. Listening to Phyllis's beautiful daughter Sarah read the ee cummings poem she had chosen to recite, one could only wonder how she managed through her grief. The answer? She was her mother's daughter and she knew all about courage.

In the spring 2000 issue of the Friends Newsletter, your editor wrote of the bulbs which she

had ordered to plant in memory of several Friends who had died that year. They were muscari and they are still flourishing. For Phyllis the bulbs will be the delicate little Grecian wild flowers called Anemone Blanda. They will be planted in mixed colors in a new woodland garden and they should bloom in May. They will suit Phyllis well.

M. Sanborn



*Anemone Blanda*



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**Friday, December 7 - Children's Used Booksale**

9:30 - 2:00 - Main Library - Meeting Room L

**Saturday, December 8 - Gift Books**

9:30 - 2:00 - Lobby - Main Library