

Newsletter - January, 2019

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Program Schedule - 2019

All events at The Johns Hopkins Club's Eisenhower Room, unless otherwise noted.

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 A Magnificent Obsession: Young collectors - we all had to start somewhere... Art Cheslock - an established collector traces his collecting roots Jackson Gilman-Forlini - My Baltimore Collection, Hon Moderated by Nancy Magnuson Fazzini's Taverna, Timonium, Maryland, 6:00 pm

Thursday, May 23, 2019 Marion Elizabeth Rodgers on "H. L. Mencken: The American Iconoclast" Johns Hopkins Club-Eisenhower Room, 6:00 pm

Saturday, June 22, 2019 So many books...so little time... Wine & Cheese. Talk showcasing rarities at Kelmscott Books. Kelmscott Books, 34 W. 25th St., Baltimore, MD 21218, 2:00-4:00 pm

Saturday, July 27, 2019 Rebecca Romney - bookseller, rare book expert - on her book, The Printer's Error Johns Hopkins Club - North Lounge (Nobel Room), 2:00-4:00 pm

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 Cheryl Thurber Sunday School lit as related to history of the book Johns Hopkins Club-Eisenhower Room, 6:00 pm

October, 2019 "Field Trip" Details forthcoming

Wednesday, November 20, 2019 Kristopher Zgorski WhodunIt? What is the blogosphere and what does it mean for the mystery enthusiast? Johns Hopkins Club-Eisenhower Room, 6:00 pm

Show & Tell

If you've recently added something to your collection (personal or institutional) and would like to "share with the class," please consider bringing your new or newly discovered item to a future meeting of the BIBS.We typically allow one "Show & Tell" before the guest speaker steps up to the podium. Time allotted: about 5 minutes. Please contact me prior to the actual meeting. Only one "Show & Tell" per meeting, due to time constraints.

News from Our Members August and Clare's Excellent Adventure!

A report from August and Clare Imholtz, whose Japan trip was not all about books...

For years, our Japanese friends, who collect the works of Lewis Carroll, have invited us to visit Japan and so in October, 2018, we finally went. In spite of the thirteen and a half-hour direct flight from Dulles to Narita, we could not have had a more enjoyable time. During our time in Tokyo we stayed with a friend, a retired professor and translator, in Chofu, one of the major divisions of Tokyo, which is such a huge city: some thirteen and a half million people give or take a few. In the Jimbocho section of Tokyo, where one can find more than one hundred and seventy bookstores, we spent the better part of a day, and, with the help of another Carrollian friend, found some very fine books. There are almost no street names in Tokyo so our first stop in our "booking" adventure was a map store that provides maps free of charge and shows you how to walk to find stores specializing in old children's literature. Through the kindness of Bibs member Jeanne Drewes, we were also able to visit Japan's International Children's Literature Library which is housed in the old Imperial Library, built in 1906, in Ueno Park. We traveled from the home of another friend in Toyama by ourselves on the Shinkansen (Japan's justly renowned "Bullet Train") to Kyoto where we visited the oldest Buddhist shrine in Nara at Horyū-ji which has the oldest wooden building in the world and the famous Zen Garden of Ryoan-ji in Kyoto.

Sayonara! August and Clare Imholtz

News from Kelmscott Bookshop's January Newsletter

Greetings,

Happy New Year!

Our first sale of the year will be on Books on Books, Transportation (Automotive, Railroad, and Aviation), and Political Science. All books priced at \$100 or less in these sections will be 30% off through the month of January.

Later this month we will be participating at the Booksellers' Showcase during Bibliography Week in New York. "Bibliography Week" happens each year in New York City at the end of January - this year the 22nd - 26th - when the principal national organizations devoted to book history have their annual meetings. Other groups plan interesting events, too, since so many bibliophiles are in town. Some events are open to members only, but mostly you are encouraged to show up everywhere: get a sense of what is going on in the book world, hear some interesting papers, schmooze over cocktails. Many events are held at The Grolier Club. <u>Visit their page for a schedule</u>. We will have a table at the Booksellers' Showcase at The French Institute / Alliance Francaise from 10 am - 4 pm on Thursday, January 24th. Please stop by if you are in town.

We will be headed to Oakland, CA in February for a book fair. Please let us know if you would like a FREE PASS, as we still have a few available.

In March we will be exhibiting at the New York book fair.

As always, please follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> for shop news, cat pictures, exclusive book offers, and more. We feature books that are not listed on our website almost daily via Instagram, so don't miss out!

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our holiday events last month.

Of Bibliophilic Interest...

I'm sure many of you know - perhaps intimately - New York's Drama Bookshop. What you may not know is that the beloved shop has been in dire straits. Click on the link below to learn how Drama Bookshop was rescued! <u>https://www.nytimes.com/2019/01/08/theater/lin-manuel-miranda-hamilton-drama-book-shop.html</u>

2019 Membership Dues

If you haven't yet paid your dues, you may do so using check or PayPal. Dues are \$55.00. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. We would like to receive your payment by the end of February, 2019.

Contributions to the Newsletter

Please feel free to contact Binnie Syril Braunstein, Newsletter Editor if you have newsworthy items you'd like to "share with the class." BSBGC@aol.com