

Ellenville Public Library & Museum

2004 Budget Passes by 97 percent

Fifty-eight voters cast their ballots on April 8 for the proposed \$600,000 budget for the **Ellenville Public Library & Museum**. There were 56 in favor, with two opposed, representing a 97 percent approval. The budget represented a zero increase to taxpayers.

Voters elected Kathleen Butler to a five-year term as library trustee.

"We are thankful to our voters for their support," said Library Director Pam Stocking. "The Board works hard to maintain a high standard of service while budgeting carefully. We appreciate the show of support, and look forward to continuing excellent service to our patrons."

Poetry Program at Ellenville Library

Poets Point the Way, featuring poet Evi Seidman of Stone Ridge and students from the *Ellenville Central School District* will be presented in the **Ellenville Public Library & Museum's Community Room** Saturday, May 3rd from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Seidman, back by popular demand, will open the program, followed by students from grades 3 – 6, reading works of well-known poets and some original poems. Third grade teacher and Poetry Club Coordinator Sandy Kapela will host the program.

The event is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be served. For information, please call 647-5530.

Sara Harris Landscapes Exhibited

Paints and pastels of Accord resident Sara Harris will be on view at the **Ellenville Public Library & Museum's Gallery Link** for the month of May, 2003. Ms. Harris' works are inspired by the interplay of light in the gardens and trees near her Accord studio. The work begins with a memory impression and results in a recapturing of the

meditative relationship between artist and nature, rather than a realistic rendering, reflecting her approach as both an artist and meditation teacher.

Ms. Harris began her art education at age five at the Corcoran Museum School in Washington, D.C. She later studied at Pratt Institute in Brooklyn and the Arts Students League in New York City. Her works can be found in both private collections as well as in the Kingston Hospital, Woodstock Physical Therapy, among others.

Her works have been exhibited throughout the Hudson Valley in many group and solo shows from 1999 through the present, among them the Omega Institute in Rhinebeck, the COFFEY Gallery in Kingston, Mohonk Mountain House, and the Elisa Pritzker Gallery in New Paltz, as well as in several juried shows at the Woodstock Artists Association.

The **Gallery** is open during library hours: Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM; Friday 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM; Saturday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. For information, please call 647-5530. 

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