

#### NEW BUILDING UPDATE

As this issue comes to your mailbox, the ground that will support our new Library and Community Center is being graded. Shortly, the foundation will be laid.

And as these historic accomplishments fall into place more and more Roselanders are earning all our thanks for their civic contributions and constructive vision. The thanks can never be sufficient. To mention everyone and everything involved would overflow these pages.

To give an idea of the work that we are doing on many levels, an outline is

necessary.

 Design of Library and creation of accurate specifications and drawings (completed).

2. Development of Library services and procedures, along with detailed analyses of future Library needs (ongoing).

3. Fund-raising.

- a. Moneys from local corporations (first stage completed; second stage under way).
- b. Moneys from local organizations (mostly completed).

c. Moneys from residents (major

effort to be completed).

d. Moneys from government (municipal contributed; other levels to come).

e. Special events (Nov. 8, "Puttin' on the Ritz" an evening of great music, food, and casino games.)

- 4. Governmental approvals and agreements with builders.
  - 5. Continual communication with public.



Site work has begun on the Roseland Public Library and Community Center at Roseland Avenue and Fells Road, following approval of a contract signed by the Borough Council. Holding the stake is Carl Guerrina, Building Advisor; wielding the hammer, Marie Yorlano, Library Board President. From left to right are: Tony Puntasecca, engineer; Al Puntasecca, supervisor, V. Ottilio & Sons, site contractor; Rob Neufeld, Library Director; David Seltzer, Project Manager; Carlo Tedesco and John Antonicelli, Councilmen; Charles Haight, Library Board Vice-President; and Ralph Eastman, Councilman.

#### THANK YOU, FRIENDS

Thank you, Friends, for your paid memberships in the Friends of the Roseland Library, an organization of four hundred and growing. The Library has just recently received a large number of membership renewals, and, as it was hoped, membership status is at an overall much higher average this year.

With the 1986 operating budget squeezed by mandated doublings and triplings of certain expenses, certain other expenses have had to shrink. Because maintaining and enhancing the book collection is a necessity this year as we phase into the new facility, the Library has appealed to Friends for an

increased level of support.

The Friends have responded. To high-light the new awareness of books, the Library is mailing the "Vital Guide to Reading" to 1986 Friends. The "Vital Guide" a monthly publication, lists all of the Library's new titles along with three-line digests of plot summaries and critical opinions. It is very easy to use. It enables you to quickly choose the book that is just right for you at any moment.

The Library is also sending "Top Notchers," a list of recent books that have received a consensus of acclaim from critics who care about popular reading desires. "Top Notchers" is different from the New York Times "Best Sellers." What sells is not synonymous with what pleases.

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Rosemarie Haberman (2d fr. r.) and Donna Boslett (r.) of the Roseland Home and School Association present a check for \$1,000 to Marie Yorlano (1.) and Rob Neufeld (2d fr. l.) of the Library. The money was raised by the children of Roseland at a fair. The Check was presented at the school district's Spring concert.

## CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

For all ages
Summer Happening in the Children's Room
Join now

#### \*REGULAR PROGRAMS\*

Tuesdays, 1:00 : Arts and Crafts

Wednesdays, 1:00: Movies

Thursdays, 1:00: Indoor and Outdoor Games

and Stories

#### \*SPECIAL EVENTS\*

Musicale, Wednesday, July 30, 1:00 Pet Show, Wednesday, August 15, 1:00 Reading Club Party, Wednesday, August 27, 1:00



Jill Pruden, one of the big readers in last year's Summer Reading Club, holds up her "Passport to Adventure" before the world map on which this year's Roseland readers will chart their reading progress. To join the Reading Club, call or see Children's Librarian Estelle Phelan at the Library.

### UPCOMING BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Wednesday, July 30, 7:00 p.m., Harrison House, Eagle Rock Avenue, William Shakespeare's Julius Caesar. To be followed by...

New Jersey Shakespeare Festival's production of Julius Caesar, Saturday, August 9, 2:00 p.m., Drew University, Madison. Anyone may sign up to go with Roseland group. Send check for \$16.00 to Roseland Public Library by July 15. Call 226-8636.

Wednesday, August 20, 1;00 p.m. at Library. The Two Mrs. Grenvilles, Dominick Dunne's current bestselling novel about Upper East crust scandal.

## LIBRARY BOOK DISCUSSION

--Be a discusser--

A couple of months ago, the Library had a Book Discussion without a book. After two years of popular title-oriented discussions, a meeting of twenty regulars and newcomers considered what exactly could be said to make up a "good book." Library Director, Rob Neufeld, who functions as moderator, remarked, "the topic relates to library book selection and recommendation."

The discussers raised points which they claimed to be personal. However, there was some overlap of personal opinions. With the discussions that have followed, a <u>popular</u> school of criticism has begun to emerge. In this school, there might be twelve rules of good novel writing.

One) A hook. If it can't grab you in the first twenty pages, strike one and two.

Two) Flow. No unexplained time jumps or overlong monotone. See number...

Three) Drive.

and Four) Thrills. Some tickling and excitation.

Five) Rightness. What agrees with one person's world view disagrees with another's; but a great story, like a Shakespeare play, seems to be interpreted all different ways—and makes you care about heroes and villains.

Six) Humor. Why not?

Seven) Flavor. A computer writes in homogenized English, but any author worth his or her salt is a product of his/her soil.

and Eight) Eloquence. Just in case anyone ever reads out loud.

Nine) Facts. Good light fiction latches onto details of history, geography, and popular culture.

Ten) Fantasy. Everyone wants a fairy tale of some kind.

Eleven) Climax. It better be worth the

build-up.

and Twelve) Hopefulness. The all-time best-selling novel, Gone with the Wind, leaves room at the end for a hope as large as the reader's wish.

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1986 is also an important year for books because the Library has to begin the work of upgrading its collection, filling subject gaps. The Library will triple its usage in the new facility, requiring that much work be invested in determining what the subject gaps are and what is the most efficient way to fill the

gaps. (What are the best books on given subjects, and what is the least amount needed to be spent to fill demand?) Improvement of the book and "non-book" collection is a huge job which must be spread over a number of years.

So, once again, thank you, Friends, for coming to the fore and demonstrating the kind of enthusiasm that characterizes Roseland in what we have appropriated as the Year of the Library. This issue of the newsletter fills you in on all the good news.

The new Library and Community Center will have the facilities and staff to play a major community and cultural role in Roseland, creating for the Friends of the Library another exciting role—cultural programming. The Friends are in the process of reorganizing, especially to enable the expansion of such functions as programming. A group of Friends will advise on and generate a wide range of entertainments and enrichments, meeting with representatives from other cultural organizations in town to help foster a coordinated cultural life.

Thanks to Jerry Sherman, Ruth Sherman and Sam Steiber for mailing out renewal envelopes to enlisted Friends; and to Elaine Sinnott for keeping the accounts. If you did not receive an envelope, please use the membership form below (fill, clip, and send out!). The "Vital Guide" and much more is coming your way.

Please enroll me as a FRIEND OF THE ROSELAND LIBRARY.

#### CONTRIBUTIONS

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Fiscal Year: May 1 - April 30

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FRIENDS OF THE ROSELAND LIBRARY Roseland Free Public Library Passaic Avenue Roseland, New Jersey 07068

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## PUTTIN'ON THE RITZ



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# An evening of great music, food, and casino games at the swank Eagle Rock Club

4 Becker Farm Road, Roseland, NJ Saturday, November 8, 1986, 7 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. The evening includes

Valet parking

• 1920's decoration

- Hors d'oeuvres, dinner, and desserts
- Open bar
- Casino games
- 5-piece band with vocalist in atrium

Piano music in dining room

Hundreds of desirable prizes (everyone leaves with a prize)

To reserve tickets, call Anne and Joe Squadrito, 226-6819; Anne Farmer, 226-5889.

Tickets are \$75/person (a donation to the Roseland Public Library--Building Fund, tax deductible to the full extent provided by law).

\* The Eagle Rock Club and the catering for the event has been donated by Bellemead Corporation.

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