



# Orangeville Public Library

**November  
2008**

## What's happening at the Library?

### Library Hours and Locations

#### **MILL STREET LOCATION**

1 Mill Street  
Orangeville, Ontario L9W 2M2  
Phone 519-941-0610  
Fax 519-941-4698  
TTY 519-942-0517  
Website: [www.orangeville.library.on.ca](http://www.orangeville.library.on.ca)

#### New Hours of Operation

Monday to Wednesday 10:00 am to 8:00 pm  
Thursday & Friday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm  
Saturday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Sunday 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

#### **Popular Extensions at the Mill Location**

Circulation Services Ext 224  
Information Services Ext 223  
Children's Services Ext 230/233

#### **ALDER STREET LOCATION**

275 Alder Street  
Orangeville, Ontario L9W 5A9  
Phone 519-940-0412  
Phone 519-940-0420  
TTY 519-943-0838

#### New Hours of Operation

Monday 10:00 am to 8:00 pm  
Tuesday 10:00 am to 8:00 pm  
Wednesday 10:00 am to 8:00 pm  
Thurs 10:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Friday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Saturday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Sunday CLOSED

### Upcoming Events at the Library

#### Remembrance Day, Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, Canadians are asked to pause and remember the thousands of men and women who sacrificed their lives fighting for freedom and democracy during the First World War, the Second World War, the Korean War and during peacekeeping missions.

The association between the poppy and war dates back to the Napoleonic wars when a writer saw a field of poppies growing over the graves of fallen soldiers.

During the Battle of Ypres in 1915, Canadian Lt.-Col. John McCrae was inspired to write the poem In Flanders Fields on sighting the poppies growing beside a grave of a close friend who had died in battle.

The poem was a great inspiration in adopting the poppy as the Flower of Remembrance in Canada, France, the U.S, Britain and Commonwealth countries.

The first poppies were distributed in Canada in 1921. Today the volunteer donations from the distribution of millions of poppies is an important source of revenue for the Royal Canadian Legion that goes toward helping ex-servicemen and women buy food, and obtain shelter and medical attention.

#### In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.  
We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders Fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

- John McCrae, 1915

## **Death and Honor**

by W.E.B Griffin

The crackling new novel in the bestselling Honor Bound series by the #1 New York Times- bestselling master of the military thriller.

W.E. B. Griffin's Honor Bound saga of World War II espionage in Germany and Argentina has long been immensely popular: "Enough derring-do, romance and action to satisfy Griffin's legion of fans and bring him new ones" (Rocky Mountain News); "Cletus Frade's services to his countries, his fealty to honor and his courage in the face of danger lift this thriller right off the bookshelf and onto the nightstand" (The Star-Ledger).

The year is 1943, and Argentina is officially neutral, but crawling with every kind of spy, sympathizer, and military official imaginable. The hero is Cletus Frade, a Marine pilot recruited by the OSS, with strong family ties to Argentina, and in Death and Honor-Griffin's fourth book in the series and the first since 1999-he's got a lot on his hands.

OSS chief Wild Bill Donovan has asked him to set up his own official-but-really-OSS airline in Argentina, using "loaned" Lockheed Lodestars and Constellations. Of even more concern are two interwoven German operations. The first is a government scheme for Jews outside the Fatherland to purchase the freedom of their relatives in concentration camps, who will then be transported to Argentina and Uruguay. The second has to do with where that money is going: a plan called Operation Phoenix, which will establish safe havens for senior Nazi officials in Argentina, Brazil, and Paraguay. Needless to say, the OSS is very interested in both of them, and if Frade can somehow find out a little more . . . without getting killed, that is. Which, as Frade is about to find out, is easier said than done. Rich with the special flair that Griffin's fans have long come to expect from him, Death and Honor is another "immensely entertaining adventure" (Kirkus Reviews) from one of our finest storytellers.

## **Where White Horses Gallop**

by Beatrice MacNeil

The tradition of storytelling in Canada finds its deepest roots along the country's East Coast. And it is here, upon the rugged coastline of Cape Breton, that Beatrice MacNeil sets the stage for her latest novel, *Where White Horses Gallop*, a stirring account of human frailty and courage. During the early days of the Second World War, three young friends enlist in the legendary Highlanders brigade: fisherman Hector MacDonald, musician Benny Doucet, and Calum MacPherson, who has plans to study medicine in Halifax. When the trio sails off to the European front in 1941, the small Gaelic community of Beinn Barra is left to await word of their fate.

Like MacNeil's previous novel, 2003's *Butterflies Dance in the Dark*, her new book takes you by the heart and gently pulls you along for the ride. The storyline is lean and layered with nostalgia; the writing is fluid and flows with seemingly effortless humility. Characters reveal themselves slowly, coming into focus like buoys bobbing in the Atlantic fog. Though occasionally MacNeil resorts to a kind of clichéd stoicism – "I never realized the swirl of the pipes could pump freedom into your step as they do, for me and the rest of the boys" – she has nonetheless done a good job of capturing the cautious bravado that hallmarks the people of the region.

Particularly striking are the small slices of life in the highlands of Cape Breton, vivid moments informed by MacNeil's own intimate and detailed knowledge of the landscape and its people. It is here that the author is at her best, capturing wisps of thought and emotion with the craft of a seasoned artisan.

**Reviewed by Stephen Clare**

### **The Almost Moon A Novel by Alice Sebold**

A woman steps over the line into the unthinkable in this brilliant, powerful, and unforgettable new novel by the author of *The Lovely Bones* and *Lucky*.

For years Helen Knightly has given her life to others: to her haunted mother, to her enigmatic father, to her husband and now grown children. When she finally crosses a terrible boundary, her life comes rushing in at her in a way she never could have imagined. Unfolding over the next twenty-four hours, this searing, fast-paced novel explores the complex ties between mothers and daughters, wives and lovers, the meaning of devotion, and the line between love and hate. It is a challenging, moving, gripping story, written with the fluidity and strength of voice that only Alice Sebold can bring to the page.

**We will be having a cookie exchange on Tuesday, December 9th. Please check out our website for more details.**

**Please watch out for our Children's Christmas Programs, more details to come and also check out our website for more details.**