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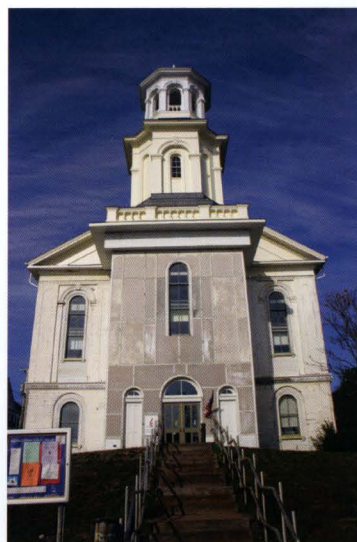
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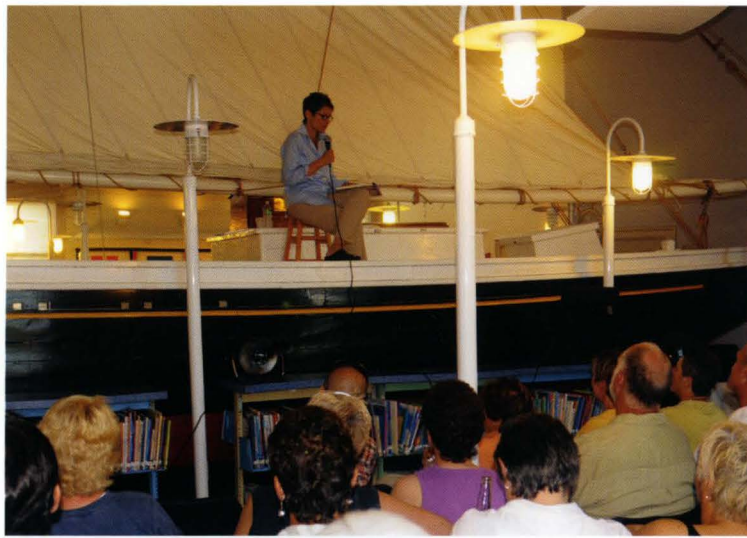
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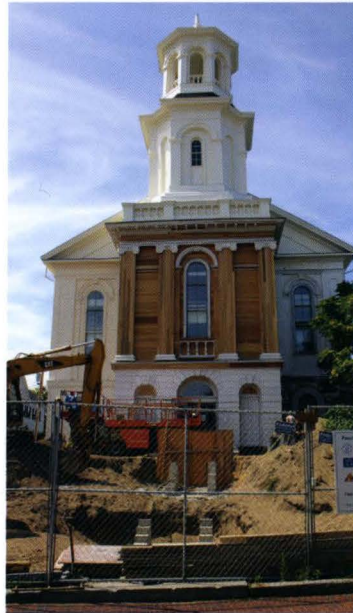
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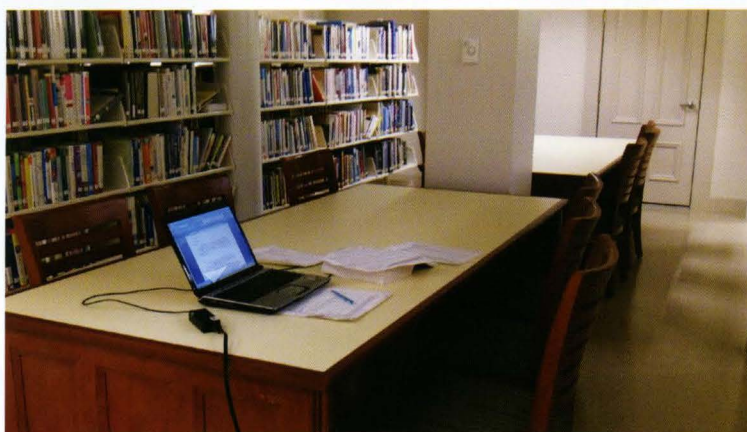
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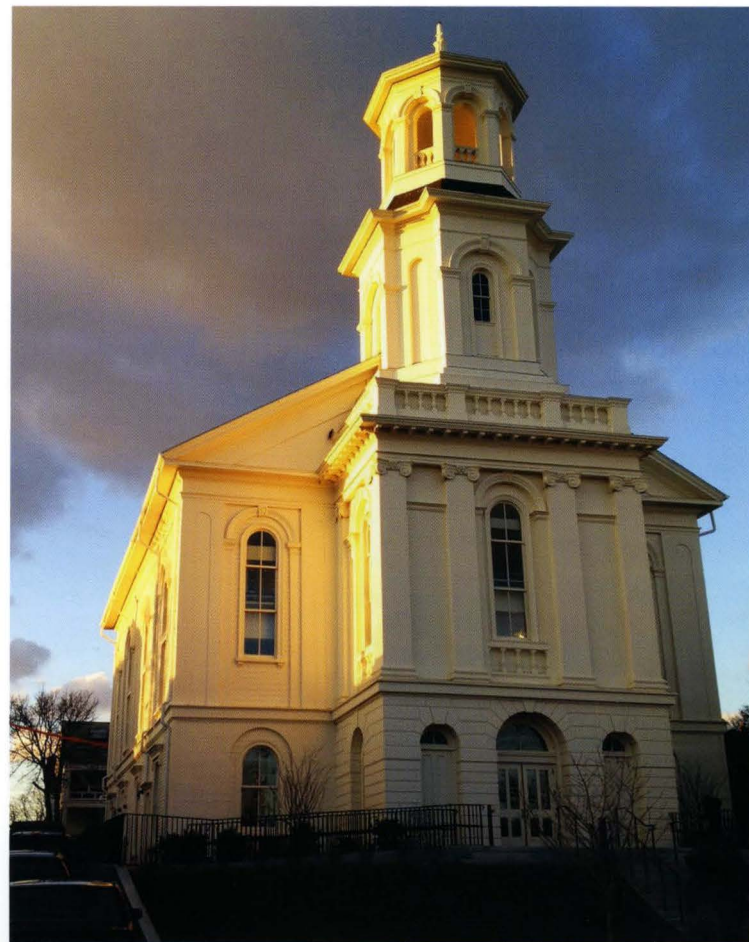
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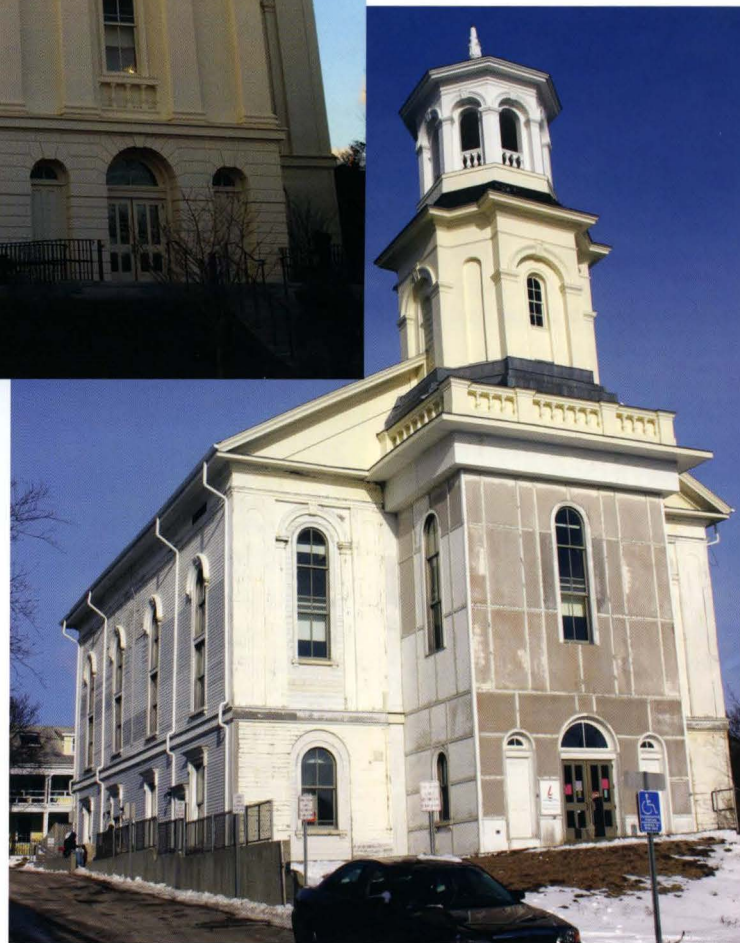


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# P'town lands \$1.9M library grant

By **EMILY C. DOOLEY**  
STAFF WRITER

PROVINCETOWN – It was exactly 1:57 p.m. Thursday when a fax arrived, momentarily unnoticed, at the Provincetown Public Library. After it was discovered and library director Debra DeJonker-Berry read through it six times, she let out a scream and then a sigh-of-relief.

The congratulatory fax was from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, or MBLC, giving a construction grant in the amount of \$1.87 million to the library board of trustees.

Total costs to renovate, restore and expand the former Heritage Museum into a library are estimated

at \$4 million.

Town meeting approved \$1.05 million in funding to be given in fiscal year 2004 only after money had been secured from the MBLC and private donors. Construction is expected to begin in 2003.

Of the 56 proposals the commissioners received, 36 were put on a waiting list, 10 were approved contingent on proposal changes and 10 were funded outright. The projects were chosen based on need, design and management plan, DeJonker-Berry said.

Trustees have been working to secure the grant for quite some time and the prospect of finally receiving the grant were expressed best by Pa-

tience Jackson, from the MBLC library building construction program. "Congratulations to you," Jackson wrote. "Awards are as scarce as hen's teeth and your proposal was outstanding."

Library supporters had to wait on fund raising until the bulk of money was secured. Now it is time for library supporters to get to work raising \$1.07 million from grants and donations. "It feels like we have momentum now," DeJonker-Berry said.

In that vein, the board of selectmen voted last night to submit a grant proposal to the Massachusetts Historic Commission for \$97,714 from its Preservation Projects Fund to repair the lantern, main gable, lower pro-

jecting pavilion and steeple belfry of the future museum, Town Manager Keith Bergman said.

The Library Trustees have begun a capital campaign plan to raise the money by June 2003. Library trustee Marcia Fair said the trustees would offer naming rights for a \$1 million donation. Endowments or naming rights to specific rooms, such as the local history or children's library, will also be accepted.

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*For information about construction of the library or donations, contact Debra DeJonker-Berry at 508-487-7094 or Marcia Fair at 508-487-0484, or visit the library Web site at [www.ptownlib.com](http://www.ptownlib.com).*



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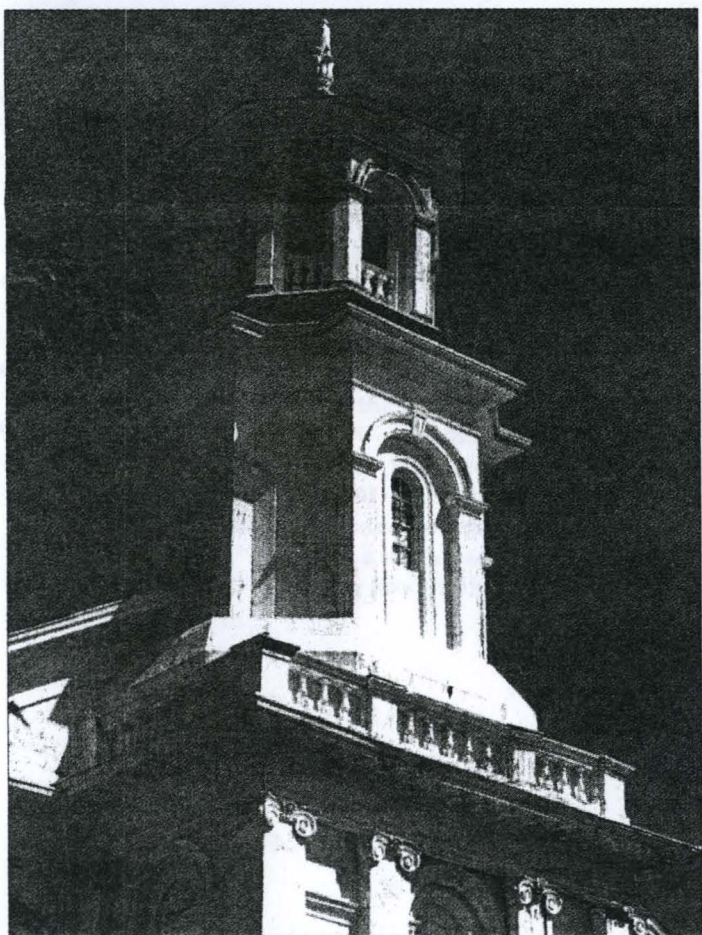


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*The old Methodist Church is on its way to becoming the new Provincetown Public Library.*

## Library gets grant

By Sally Rose

BANNER STAFF

The Heritage Museum building at Center and Commercial streets is one huge step closer to becoming the town's new public library. Library Director Debbie DeJonker-Berry received notice last Thursday that Provincetown's was among the top 10 projects selected as grant-winners in the 2000-2001 state library construction grant round. The town is slated to receive its requested amount of \$1,878,456.

And, on Monday evening, the Board of Selectman unanimously, and enthusiastically, gave the go-ahead to the Board of Library Trustees to make a grant application to the Mass. Historic Commission's Preservation Projects Fund for \$97,714.

"The timing is perfect," said DeJonker-Berry, of the state construction grant. "We've got three-quarters of the funding now in place. There's the Town

Meeting money, now we have the grant and now we just have to raise a million or so."

Town Meeting voters in April approved an article to borrow \$1.05 million in fiscal year 2004 toward renovating and refitting the former Heritage Museum building for the library. And the trustees and Supporters of the Provincetown Public Library are readying to launch a capital campaign this summer. The trustees and supporters have pledged to raise a minimum of \$1,072,000 in private donations and other grants. The Capital Campaign Steering Committee is slated to meet in the end of this month. The committee is still seeking two community members to fill out the nine seats.

"This is so exciting," said Marcia Fair, library trustee and chair of the Capital Campaign Steering Committee.

The details of the grant remain a bit nebulous. DeJonker-Berry has been in touch with the

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state Board of Library Commissioners to clarify some of those details, but clarity is not likely to come before a workshop in July for all grantees. Specifically, the terms of the grant state that the award must be accepted by Dec. 7. Although it remains unclear, "accepting the grant" appears to mean that all of the funding must be in place by that time, which could potentially be a problem for Provincetown since the town does not plan to borrow Town Meeting-approved funds until July 1, 2003. According to DeJonker-Berry and Fair, even the Board of Commissioners seems as yet unclear on the particulars.

Fair remains emphatically confident that it will all be worked out, however.

"We're still having conversations with them, and that will probably not be resolved for a little while," she said. "They know what our timeframe is because we were very up-front about it in our grant application. And they love this project, they found it to be an outstanding application that we submit-

ted."

Fair added that several barriers exist that prevent the project from beginning any sooner than July 2003 (FY 2004), not the least of which is the Town Meeting vote. Another issue that has yet to be resolved is that of what will be done with the Heritage Museum collection. The town and the private, nonprofit Pilgrim Monument & Provincetown Museum are in discussion over the possibility of merging the collections. And even were that problem to be resolved today, said Fair, it isn't likely to be completed for a couple of years anyway.

"So either way, we're looking at the beginning of July 2003 at the earliest," she said. "And how we can work that out with the commissioners remains to be done yet."

According to David Gray, director of communications and public information for the Board of Library Commissioners, the process for selection is "very rigorous, but straightforward." Each proposal is scored based on 10 criteria, including a general overview of the project, a needs assessment, a planning process, the building construction



PHOTO VINCENT GUADAZNO

*The doors to the former Heritage Museum remain closed as library funding starts to fall into place.*

program and its relation to the project, the project design, financial, site and exterior design, library services and an overall assessment.

According to a press release, the projects are ranked by outside reviewers, taking into account "the distribution of projects by community size and a measure of economic hardship based on an equalized valuation (EQV) per capita factor."

The state announced a total of 10 public library projects across the state to receive general construction grants totaling \$16,689,593. Provincetown came in that top 10 out of a total of 56 final applicants, said

Gray. Thirty-six are on a waiting list, and 10 others will have to re-apply.

Gray was not certain either how Provincetown's timeline would be affected by the Board of Commissioners' acceptance date.

As far as DeJonker-Berry and Fair are concerned, the next step is to go after private donations.

"We're going to pursue the \$1.072 million in private gifts and grants that we need, and we're hoping we can do that in record time," said Fair.

"We're going to concentrate on major donors and gifts and grants in the \$50,000 to

\$250,000 bracket," said Fair. She added that each trustee has pledged to make his or her own personal financial donation to the cause by June 15, as will each member of the steering committee at a later date.

Fair reiterated her feeling that all the pieces would fall into place in good time, and that the state would be accommodating.

"Anything done in Provincetown to preserve a historic building and also to expand a library into something that visitors from all over the world are going to enter, and serve the needs of the community, is just very exciting." □



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# Minding the books

## Provincetown library kicks off fund-raiser

By **EMILY C. DOOLEY**  
STAFF WRITER

PROVINCETOWN – Library Director Debra DeJonker-Berry has a lofty goal for 2002.

“My New Year’s resolution is to raise \$1 million,” she said at the start of the year.

But it’s not for her personal gain. It’s to cover costs to renovate the old Heritage Museum into the new 20,000-square-foot Provincetown Public Library.

Time is running out.

The project cost has been estimated at \$4 million, with the town putting in \$1.05 million and the state adding \$1.87 million to the till, leaving the library, board trustees and supporters of the library to come up with the remaining \$1.07 million.

They must have that amount in hand or pledged by June to get the state funds, or risk losing out on funding altogether.

Out of 63 applications, Provincetown was one of 10 library projects to receive a total of \$16.69 million in funding from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

The town donation doesn’t apply until all the other funds are secured, as voted at town meeting last year.

The state agreed in December to a six-month fund-raising extension.

With a site selected and most of the money secured, this is the last hurdle that library supporters must clear before moving onto the final design and construction, DeJonker-Berry said.

So the library capital campaign has just gone into full gear.

From \$50 to \$1 million, any amount is welcome, said Marcia Fair, library trustee and capital campaign chairwoman.

Pledges paid out over time and gifts of stock, life insurance and real estate are also being accepted.

The current library is so overcrowded that nearly two dozen boxes of local history books are being stored behind an elevator, and an unused bathroom has also been converted to storage space.

Mary Kirchhoff, 89, is a faithful patron. Either she or her daughter hit the library each week to check out no fewer than eight books. “I read a lot,” Kirchhoff said Friday. “Mysteries, gory mysteries.”

Even though the current library is small, Kirchhoff confesses there is always a new mystery to find in the stacks.

With four times the room in the new facility, there’s no doubt new mysteries will enter her life. “It’s a nice little library,” she said of the current library, “but they need more space.

An average of 4,100 people use the library each month.

According to state library standards, that means it needs to quadruple from its current size of 5,000 square feet, Fair said.

In addition to the collection of books and periodicals, the new library will have space for art showings, meeting rooms, a technology center and a quiet reading area.

### Donations needed



*The renovation of the old Heritage Museum into the new 20,000-square-foot Provincetown Public Library is estimated to cost \$4 million, divided as follows:*

■ **State funds:** \$1.87 million

■ **Town funds:** \$1.05 million

■ **Remainder, which must be raised by June:** \$1.07 million

For more information about the capital campaign, see the library Web site at [www.ptownlib.com](http://www.ptownlib.com) or call 508-487-7094.



—Editorials—

## Library a good investment

We interrupt our usual opining in this space to bring you the following urgent message: the Provincetown Public Library fund-raising campaign desperately needs your help.

As a result of a Town Meeting vote last spring, plans to renovate the former Heritage Museum building as the library's new home have been allowed to move forward. The pressing task at hand is the need to demonstrate, by a state-mandated deadline of March 7, "significant progress" toward raising over \$1 million, which means raising between \$200,000 and \$300,000 in the interim. That's a daunting task in these economically uncertain times.

But there's good news. First, library trustee Marcia Fair is confident that they'll be able to hit the \$200,000 mark by the deadline. Second, the local economy has remained surprisingly strong since 9/11.

What does the local economy have to do with the library project? In our view, everything. Because every dollar that's made through retail sales, guesthouse accommodations, real estate transactions and restaurant meals (yes, and newspaper sales, too) is as much the doing of the town itself as it is any individual enterprise. Those who profit from the magic of Provincetown should feel obliged to give something back, and we can think of no better investment in the town's future than generous support for a spacious library that will also save one of the most prominent historic buildings. Everyone will be able to reap the rewards, monetary and otherwise, for years to come.

# Library drive gains urgency

The Board of Library Trustees and supporters of the Provincetown Public Library are embarking on a veritable fundraising blitz. Because time is drawing nigh.

In December the trustees received an extension from the state Board of Library Commissioners until June 7 for signing the \$1.878 million construction grant contract, as long as by March 7 the trustees can show "significant progress" toward their fundraising goal of \$1.072 million. "Significant progress," according to trustee Marcia Fair, means they must raise between \$200,000 to \$300,000 by March 7.

"We will be able to show that we have at least \$200,000," Fair told the Banner Tuesday.

As of this week, there remains \$890,000 to be raised. Fair said the trustees are working with Town Manager Keith Bergman and the Board of Selectmen "to explore every possibility to meet this critical deadline. If we do not, we risk losing the state money."

On Monday evening, the Selectmen approved an application for a \$9,070 Operation of Support Grant from the Mass. Cultural Council for the library construction.

"Basical y, we're urging everyone who supports this project to join the trustees and the members of the campaign committee in making a pledge between now and June 1." Fair said pledges may be payable at a later date, up to five years out.

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## Cheers, Jeers

*Treasures that washed ashore this week; flotsam we hope the next tide carries away.*

### Friends of the library



More than 4,000 people use the Provincetown Public Library each week, so it is time for most of them to pitch in and help fund the conversion of the old Heritage Museum into a new 20,000-square-foot library. The project cost has been estimated at \$4 million. The town has committed \$1.05 million and the state \$1.87 million.

That means supporters of the library must come up with the remaining \$1.07 million. And it has to be raised or pledged by June to get the state funds.

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# Uplifting moment

## Belfry removed from P'town landmark

By EMILY C. DOOLEY  
STAFF WRITER

PROVINCETOWN — Crowds of people gathered along Commercial Street Thursday, their necks craning toward the sky in search of a view.

They were there to watch the top of a town monument come down.

"I've been here since 8:30 in the morning," photographer Julie Bean said as she looked around — her crowd of one having ballooned into about 60 people by 11 a.m.

Before them stood the Heritage Museum, an 1860s building being renovated and restored for use as the Provincetown Public Library.

The belfry, a 7.5-ton mass of wood and arches resembling a gazebo, commanded the crowd's attention. Chain links from a crane were affixed to the top, while wooden crosses stuck out the windows. A tangle of bungee, rope and wood supports held it together from the inside.

A wooden stage sat on the front lawn of the former Methodist church, waiting for its charge. The belfry had to be removed so work crews can seal the roof and add supports to hold the weight of the belfry and its nearly 300 pound bell.

"After you put in a half-hour you don't want to leave," said Selectman David Atkinson, who had been standing with camera in hand for hours.

### Signs of home

Though in need of repair, the white steeple and belfry are as synonymous with Provincetown as the Pilgrim Monument. Sailors and fishermen use the Heritage Museum building as a landmark, a welcoming signal that the home port is near.

It was something not to be missed.

"This is the most photographed event in Provincetown," said resident and library trustee Marcia Fair.

The structure was built to resemble a church designed by famed British architect Sir Christopher Wren. Crews from Connecticut-based Kronenberger & Sons Restoration have been working for weeks to remove the belfry and dismantle the facade that fronts the building.

Each piece of decorative work has been removed and catalogued. Pieces in good condition will go back up after a new facade is created, while worn pieces will be used as models for replacements, project manager Ray Tribuzio said.

Plastic occasionally flapped against the metal scaffolding edging up to the facade. It sounded like wood splitting, teasing the crowd.

"This is it. This is it," someone said.



EMILY DOOLEY/Cape Cod Times

The 7.5-ton belfry on the Heritage Museum was removed Thursday as part of a plan to renovate the building, which will house the Provincetown Public Library.

But it was not time.

### The moment arrives

The crowd got bigger. Some took advantage of nearby brick walls to rest, while others straddled bicycles or stood waiting for movement.

After waiting for hours, crowd members got punchy.

"Watch the whole building lift up," Police Chief Schuyler "Ted" Meyer said.

What will the crowd do when the belfry finally lifts up into the sky, someone asked.

"They're going to raise the roof," Pennie Nicoll said. "Get it? Raise the roof."

Then a chainsaw rattled, the crane revved up and a crew member raised his hand to the sky. The banter stopped and the cameras came out.

"It's moving," people in the crowd uttered as the belfry lurched a bit and moved slowly off its perch.

"I want to see air between it," Atkinson said. "I want to see blue."

The belfry rose into the sky and moved slowly forward. It seemed like minutes before it was hovering over the lawn. And just before it

touched down, the Town Hall bell rang just once, signaling the time.

The crowd clapped and hollered.

"Is this cool or what?" someone asked.

The inside of the building also holds hidden treasures.

While working on the facade, work crews found a name and date scrawled in pencil on a small piece of wood. It was signed by Nathan Chapman on Oct. 27, 1860. Town documents show Chapman was a carpenter who was born in Brewster and buried in Provincetown. "It's in pencil," library director Debra DeJonker-Berry said. "That's why it's so amazing."

The town has spent an estimated \$500,000 on Heritage Museum repairs, public works Director David Guertin said. But renovating the building into the library will cost about \$4 million; the library trustees are in the middle of a fund-raising project to raise \$1.07 million, which is the library's share of the cost.

For more information about the project or fund raising, go online to [www.provincetowngov.org](http://www.provincetowngov.org).



# Library considers single bid for reconstruction

Although they were expecting several more, the Board of Library Trustees received a single bid from one general contractor Thursday for the library reconstruction project.

The bid, \$3,309,000 from J.K. Scanlan Company of East Falmouth, does fall within their budget, said library Trustee Marcia Fair.

The trustees are currently reviewing the bid with town staff, and library architect Perry Dean Rogers Partners. The architectural firm is evaluating the bid and is scheduled to make a formal recommendation, or non-recommendation, to the Trustees this Thursday, May 29. The Trustees then will put together a formal report for the Board of Selectmen for a presentation on June 9.

The project, put out to bid in April, is for construction of a library in the existing former Heritage Museum, a National Register building at 356 Commercial St., which was built in 1860 as the Center Methodist Episcopal Church. Design plans were re-worked last January after the initial bids came in too high. The revised plans have received the approval of the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners as well as the Mass. Historical Commission. The public may look at the plans for the new 15,250-square-foot library at the library's current location, at the corner of Freeman and Commercial streets.

On hand to open the bids at Town Hall Thursday were Trustees Marcia Fair and Arthur Pike, Library Director Debra DeJonker-Berry, Deputy DPW Director Sandy Turner and Perry Dean Rogers archi-

Warren Van Wees.

Some 14 general contractors took out bid packages. Fair said she was only slightly taken aback by the scant return.

"They were the low bidders before [in the first round]," she said. "In many respects I'm not so surprised, because this is a

sensitive construction. It's a historic building, and nobody knows what's going to happen when you start digging."

Fair said she had great confidence in DPW Director David Guertin and Turner to manage the project, and possibly even find some savings, as Guertin

did on the MacMillan Pier reconstruction. "[Guertin] is able to manage a project and make it work," she said. "He's incredibly talented."

She added, "Scanlan is a very fine company. If we had a choice we probably would have selected Scanlan as first or sec-

ond because we know their work."

Scanlan, currently the contractor for the Truro Town Hall renovation, also did the renovation of the Crown & Anchor as well as the Brewster Ladies Library, the Woods Hole Library and the Nantucket Athenaeum. □





PHOTO VINCENT GUDAZNO

*New arched-top windows have been installed in the future home of the Provincetown Public Library.*

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# Howie Schneider Unshucked





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*The exterior of the new Provincetown public library construction project from Center Street.*

## Library campaign bolstered by gifts

### \$511K still needed for 1st construction phase

By Mary Ann Bragg

BANNER STAFF

Two \$100,000 donations to the Provincetown Public Library capital campaign, in addition to gifts of \$20,000 and \$10,000, have given a needed shot in the arm for the town Board of Library Trustees.

The trustees still face at least another \$511,000 in fundraising for the first construction phase of the new library at the Center Street construction site, in a 1860s building that once housed the Center Methodist Episcopal Church.

The new library will be in the town's oldest municipal building, which is listed individually on the National Register of Historic Places.

In total the trustees have raised \$837,000 in cash and pledges, as of the end of July, out of their \$1.348 million fundraising target.

(The \$1.348 million is comprised of \$1.072 million in an original fundraising pledge from Town Meeting in 2001, plus a contingency fund supple-

ment of \$189,000 from 2003 and \$87,000 in a matching grant for the front façade from 2004.)

This week Library Director Debbie DeJonker-Berry told the Provincetown Board of Selectmen that the fundraising goals would likely need to be adjusted upwards to pay for unexpected construction change orders. An existing contingency fund of \$59,000 has been nearly depleted, DeJonker-Berry said, although the trustees have pledged to raise an additional \$189,000 last June.

No discussion has yet occurred with the trustees on taking on the restoration of the wooden belfry that sits abandoned in the front yard of the site. Town Treasurer John Fitzgerald said this week that the campaign's belfry restoration fund contains a few thousand dollars, although restoration costs have been set at more than \$80,000.

On Monday, Clerk of the Works Bill Ingraham stepped inside the building itself, through framing, leaving his footprints in sawdust, to give a

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tour of the historic church property that is being transformed into the library. Difficulties during the winter months in laying the concrete foundation set the construction schedule back, he said. Crews are awaiting an elevator delivery, he added.

On the second floor the curvature of the mezzanine was evident among the scaffolding. Wooden platforms have been suspended high in the air to allow renovation of the ceiling. The pair of wooden stairs in the front lobby is protected with ratty carpet remnants, and pipes of the new sprinkler system have been installed.

Library trustee Marcia Fair characterized the construction at 35 to 40 percent complete this week. "Substantial completion" of the project, in its first phase, defined at 75 percent, is scheduled for late October. Future plans include restoration of the front exterior facade, painting, clapboard repair and restoration of the belfry.

In terms of the project's financial underpinnings, the project has fared well so far, according to town Treasurer Fitzgerald, who manages the receipts and payments with DeJonker-Berry.

The total project cost is around \$4 million, with the bulk of that paying for the \$3.3

million construction contract with J.K. Scanlan Company Inc. And, to cover that \$4 million cost, Provincetown Town Meeting has authorized borrowing up to \$1.82 million, in combination with the trustees' fundraising efforts, to match a \$1.878 state grant.

In reality, the town received 30 percent of the state grant (\$563,537) when the contract with the architect was signed in July 2002. Another 30 percent was received when the construction contract with Scanlon was signed in July 2003. Another 30 percent is expected with "substantial completion" of the project, and the last 10 percent will be received when a certificate of occupancy is attained for the building.

Overall, Fitzgerald said that he has been paying constructions bills by using the grant money received as well as the cash raised by the trustees. In total, \$1.7 million has been paid on the project as of the end of July.

And for now, borrowing has been kept to a minimum, Fitzgerald said, with \$40,000 borrowed near the end of the fiscal year 2004, only to ensure that no overdrafts occurred on Town Meeting articles. With tax revenues coming into the General Fund at this time of the year, Fitzgerald said that he anticipates that borrowing on the project will remain at low

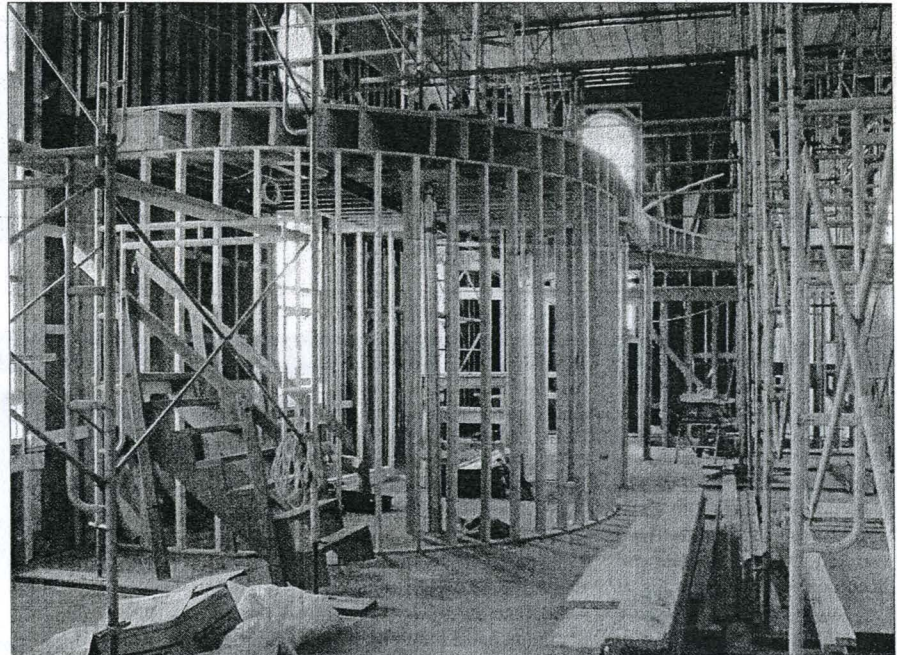


PHOTO MARY ANN BRAGG

*The second floor interior of the new Provincetown Public Library, now under construction in a historic church at Center and Commercial streets.*

levels for now, since he can use cash on hand to pay bills and defer borrowing until later.

As for the specific donations, the \$100,000 gift from residents John Fowler and Tom Bombardier will be earmarked for the children's library. The two men have paid \$25,000 to date and have pledged the remainder over five years.

A second \$100,000 gift, designated for the library lobby, has

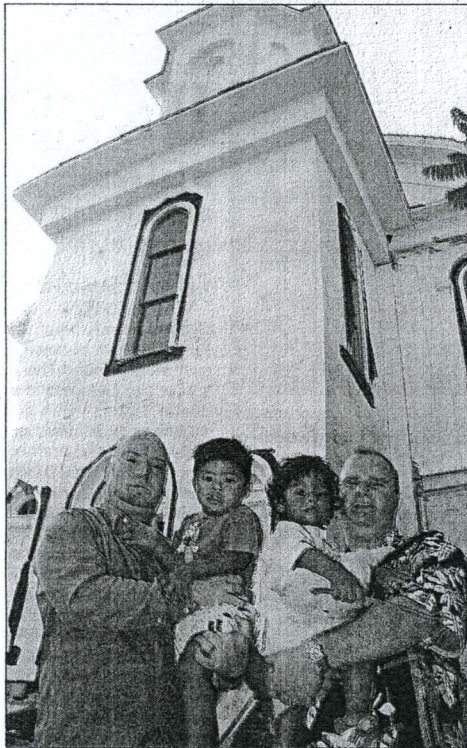
been paid in cash and the trustees will announce the donor later this month. A \$20,000 donation for the

main circulation desk has been pledged as has a \$10,000 "Poet's Corner" on the mezzanine. □



## Uplifting gifts

### Donors help Provincetown Library build new home in former church



VINCENT DeWITT/Cape Cod Times

John Fowler, left, and Thomas Bombardier of Provincetown gave \$100,000 to the Provincetown Library capital campaign to build a children's room named after their young sons, Gerald, left, and Henry. Behind them is the historic building being renovated to house the town's new library.

By **CONOR BERRY**  
STAFF WRITER

PROVINCETOWN — Two back-to-back donations of \$100,000 have buoyed the Provincetown Library's capital campaign to restore an historic structure to house the town's new library.

The existing library, near the center of town at Commercial and Freeman streets, will relocate to a more than 140-year-old building in the East End that was formerly the Center Methodist Episcopal Church.

The 2,500-square-foot church building at Commercial and Center streets has been under renovation since September and is now about 40 percent complete, according to Marcia Fair, chairwoman of the capital campaign and a library trustee.

Officials are still considering what to do with the current town-owned library building after it's abandoned.

The board of library trustees has pledged to raise \$1.4 million of the roughly \$4.5 million total project cost, with town taxpayers and a state grant covering the balance.

One of the donors wished to remain anonymous, Fair said, but the other, the Fowler-Bombardier Family Charitable Trust, has recently made several high-profile donations to var-

#### WANT TO DONATE?

■ To donate to the capital campaign, which includes having certain library features named after benefactors, can contact library director Debra DeJonker-Berry at 508-487-7904 or Marcia Fair at 508-487-0484.

ious causes and organizations.

Thomas Bombardier and John Fowler of Provincetown, who were married in town last month, made the donation in honor of their two young sons, Gerald and Henry.

Their \$100,000 gift will help pay for a second-floor children's library, to be named the "Gerald and Henry Fowler-Bombardier Children's Library," at the new site, while the anonymous gift will help restore the lobby of the former church.

The couple will also be honored today by the Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders in Boston for contributing about \$300,000 to the organization in the effort to legalize gay marriage.

The \$200,000 infusion has provided "an enormous lift" to

the trustees' capital campaign, said Fair, noting that the number of donations has picked up this summer.

"We're really energized by the outpouring of interest," Fair said.

To date, the trustees have received about \$838,000 in pledges and cash gifts and must raise another \$500,000 to meet their goal.

Other recent donations have included \$10,000 for a "poet's corner" on the mezzanine level of the new building and \$20,000 for a main circulation desk.

Bombardier, a Holyoke native, is an ophthalmologist and co-owner of Ambulatory Surgical Centers of America, a national group of surgery centers. He is also a real estate developer. Fowler, a Connecticut native, remodels and renovates historic homes.

The men, neither of whom had any inherited wealth, established the charitable trust three years ago to support efforts that advance civil rights for same-sex couples, particularly their right to adopt children, and organizations that fight HIV/AIDS.

Fair said the library project should reach "substantial completion" by the end of October, with the renovated building up and running by spring 2005.



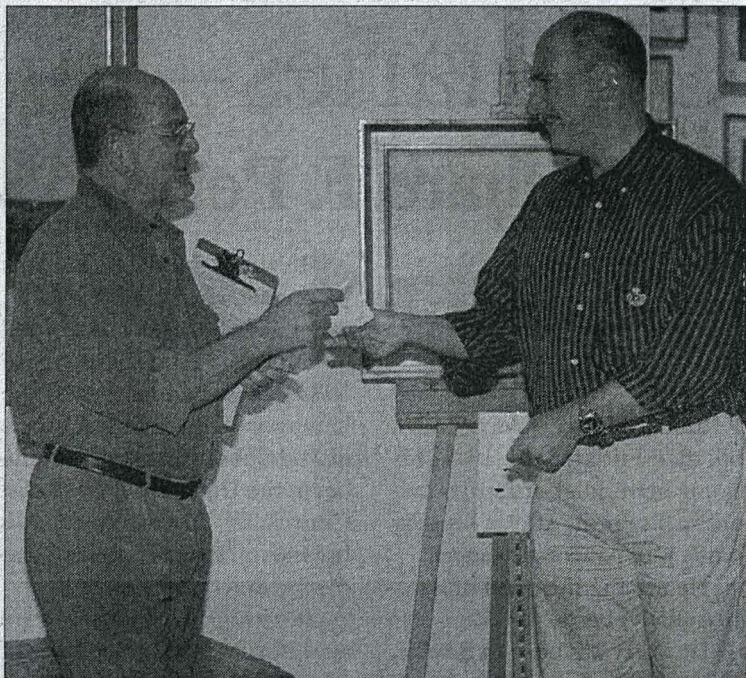


PHOTO VINCENT GUADAZNO

*Board of Library Trustees chair Jim Cole (left) accepts a check from Michael MacIntyre for the reconstruction and restoration of the belfry on the historic Center Street building being renovated as the new home of the Provincetown Public Library.*

## Gift to lift belfry

The Provincetown Board of Library Trustees has received a donation of \$85,000 for its capital building campaign from Michael MacIntyre. The money is earmarked specifically for the reconstruction and restoration of the belfry, which for many months has sat at ground level in front of the historic former church currently being renovated as the new home of the

Provincetown Public Library.

MacIntyre announced his gift at a benefit Friday for the Library Building Fund at the Packard Gallery in Provincetown. More than 125 guests were on hand for the announcement.

The donation is dedicated in memory and in honor of Bob Anderson, Michael's husband, who died on Aug. 8. □





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# Library expects occupancy OK by end of January

By Sally Rose

BANNER STAFF

Significant progress has been made in the reconfiguration of the former Heritage Museum building into the public library's future home, with the interior taking shape through the completion of sheetrocked walls and installation of circulation and computer desks and cabinetry.

"Substantial completion" is expected by Dec. 25, according to Library Trustee Marcia Fair, which means the contractor will have 30 days to get a certificate of occupancy, expected by January's end.

Both on the main and second floors, sheetrocking is mostly finished. The circulation desk, with white wainscoting and a rich dark-wood top, is covered with protective plastic sheeting. On the second floor the protective structure has been removed from around the scaled model of the Rose Dorothea, in the children's library. And wavy walls in the children's room with porthole-like window cutouts are reminiscent of a seafaring existence. Hanging clouds made of special lightweight acoustic material to absorb sound will hang around the masts of the Rose Dorothea. Two oval ceiling cutouts make room for the ship's masts.

The elevator shaft has blocks of clear glass tiles at each floor so riders will be able to look

out onto Center Street.

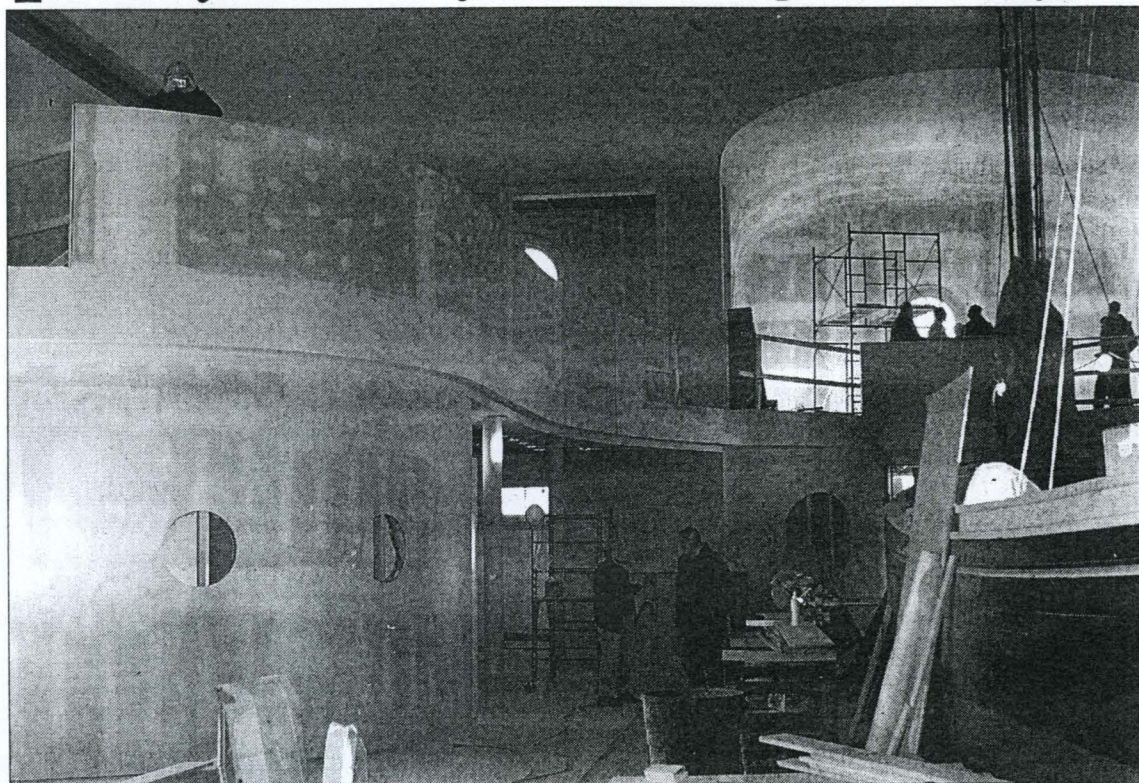
And the anonymous donor who donated \$100,000 to restore the front lobby has selected artist John Dowd to paint a mural-like canvas in that space. The donor will also select a person for which the entrance will be named. The set of two staircases leading from the lobby to the second floor are still covered with tattered multi-colored rugs to protect the treads.

Tours are offered every Friday; contact Library Director Debbie DeJonker-Berry for tour times.

Fair said the trustees are planning now for how they will move all the books, equipment and systems, "for a smooth and efficient transfer," from the Freeman Street building to the Center Street building. The library likely will be closed for six to eight weeks during the transition.

"We can't keep two facilities up and running with only three fulltime employees," said Fair. "By late January we'll be able to advise the Selectmen, Town Manager and public about what the plans are, so everyone will have plenty of notice."

The Center Street building is 75 percent complete, said Fair, which means the Board of Trustees will be receiving the third 30 percent of the state grant (\$563,537) from the Board of Library Commissioners. The last 10 percent arrives af-



PHOTOS SALLY ROSE

*Wavy walls and the Rose Dorothea make the children's room on the second floor reminiscent of a marine environment.*

ter they receive the certificate of occupation, at the end of January.

Of their \$1.348 million fundraising goal, the library so far has raised \$950,000 in cash gifts and pledges, said Fair. However, she said, that figure includes the \$85,000 from Michael MacIntyre for the belfry, which is outside the official scope of the project. Noncash gifts are up to \$83,000, which includes the Bill and Melinda Gates grant of \$20,000 for com-

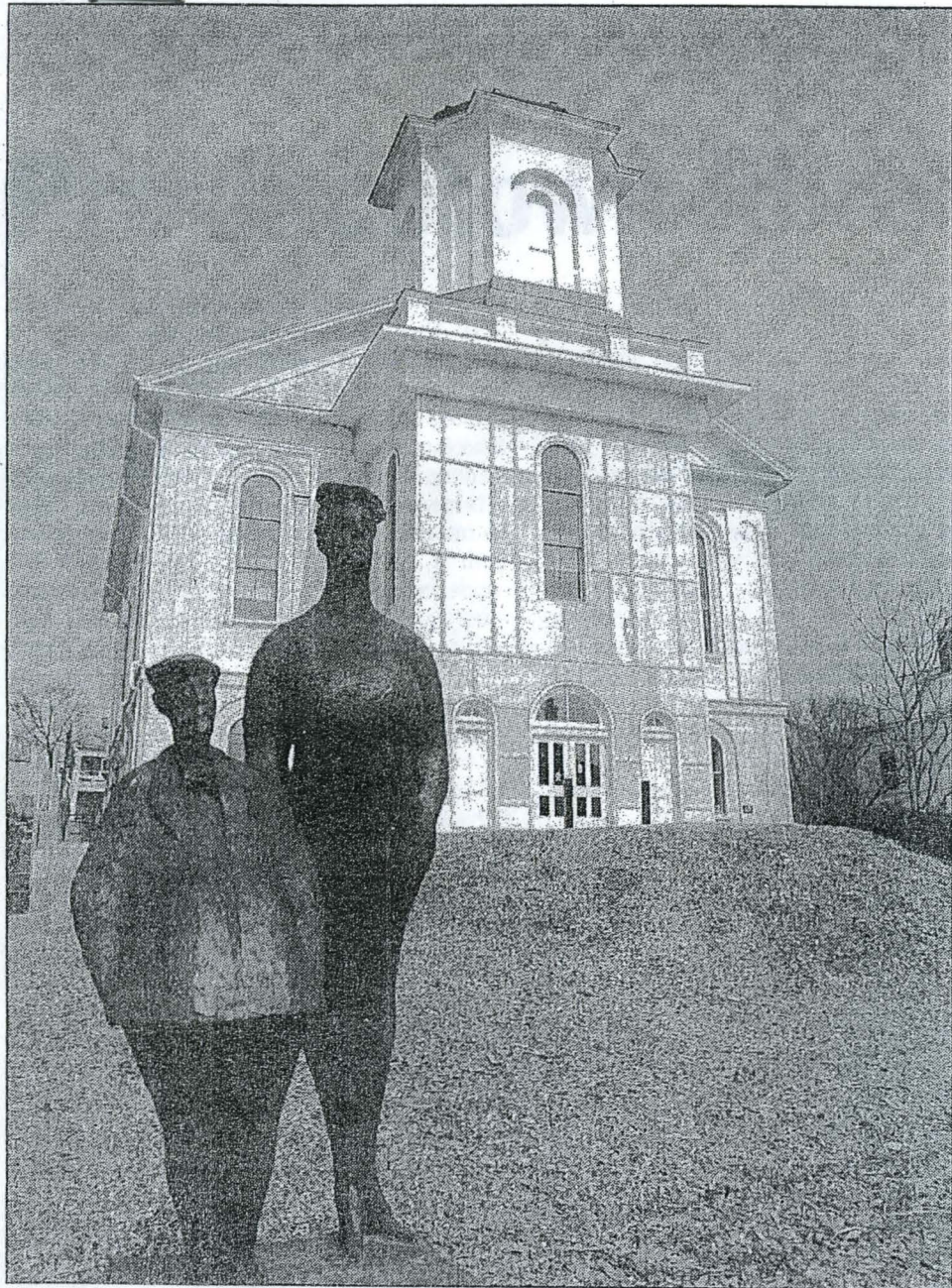
puters, and shelving for book stacks (another \$30,000 in shelving was recently received from the Western Mass. Regional Library System).

The Center Street building is expected to open in spring, said Fair. The main floor and the second floor will be completely finished, including the Nathan Freeman Local History Room and mezzanine.

The basement, or lower level, and tower room at the mezzanine level, which will house the

art and literature collection, will not be finished. The lower level eventually will hold a majority of the collection and the reference desk. For the time being, the collection and reference desk will be located throughout the main floor. The architect created a flexible open design specifically to enable phased construction, said Fair. Additional fundraising is required to finish the tower room (\$75,000) and the 5,000 square foot lower level (\$110,000). □





The Provincetown Public Library officially opened its doors Wednesday morning. The figures sculpted by renowned 20th century contemporary artist Chaim Gross greet visitors.

Staff photos by Merrily Lunsford

# A new chapter for

By Steve Desroches  
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PROVINCETOWN — You have to see the new Provincetown Public Library to believe it. It would be hard to find another library like it anywhere in the country.

The new library, formerly the dilapidated Heritage Museum, located at 356 Commercial St., opened for business last Wednesday. The official grand opening isn't until next week.

"We wanted a soft opening," said library director Debra Dejonker-Berry. "And we got it. We were all worried there would be a line out the door."

Staff and volunteers were still adjusting to their new workplace, still amazed that it really is a reality. So to not have a throng of people there on the first day was appreciated. However, the library did enjoy a steady stream of patrons and slack-jawed townspeople seeing the restored historic building for the first time. Throughout the construction process the library staff has given tours and sneak previews to show townspeople how much progress had been made and how much further there was to go.

"There's lots more to do but at least we are in our new building," said library trustee Marcia Fair. "Oh, but did we ever think this day would come?"

With one eye on the work that needs to be done, Fair tours the library with an infectious enthusiasm. And while it is indeed a library, it is more than that; it's a museum, a community center, a town treasure.

Built in 1860 as a church, the building, for most of the 20th century, housed the museum and displayed town memorabilia before the building was closed and it sat vacant and unkempt for about 10 years.

After a tireless fund-raising campaign, the new library stands as a visually stunning mix of state-



The 66 1/2-foot model of the Rose Dorothea sits on the second floor of the library



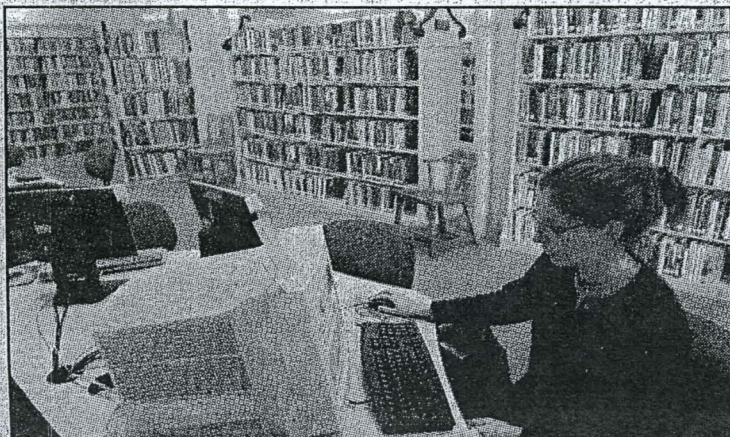
# Provincetown library

of-the-art facilities with a hefty nod to Provincetown's nautical heritage. A 66 1/2-foot model of the Rose Dorothea, the Provincetown schooner that won the Fisherman's Cup in 1907, graces the second floor where the design of the space makes it look like a wharf. Once the sails are repaired and attached to the model, specially designed lighting will create the illusion of the reflection of water off the sails. If they can raise the funds to have the proper security, Fair hopes the Fisherman's Cup, currently in a safe in town hall, will be on display in the library.

The schooner model was built by Provincetown native Francis "Flyer" Santos, beginning in 1977.

Outside the entrance, figures sculpted by renowned 20th century contemporary artist Chaim Gross greet visitors. Upon entering the library, patrons will soon view a mural by Provincetown artist John Dowd. The mural will be sandwiched between the historic 145-year-old grand staircase. Arm rests from the original pews

were found buried in the sand of the basement and the arm rests now top the stacks on the first floor. Master woodworker Bill Ingraham, who also served as clerk of the works for the project, restored the arm rests and incorporated them into wood panels, which he built himself, that grace the bookshelves. The



entire library is peppered with original pieces of the Civil War-era building.

While beautiful, the library still has a ways to go. The facility still needs to raise \$600,000 — \$150,000 to complete the lower level, another \$150,000 to finish the landscaping and \$300,000 to finish the facade.

The state Board of Library Commissioners gave the town a grant of \$1.87 million for the project. The library supporters have committed to raising \$1.4 million.

The much talked-about cupola will be restored thanks to an \$85,000 donation by resident Michael McIntyre. The roof-top piece will be dismantled by the department of public works and brought to its garage on Route 6, where it will be restored.

The grand opening ceremony for the new library is Thursday, April 28, beginning at 11:20 a.m.

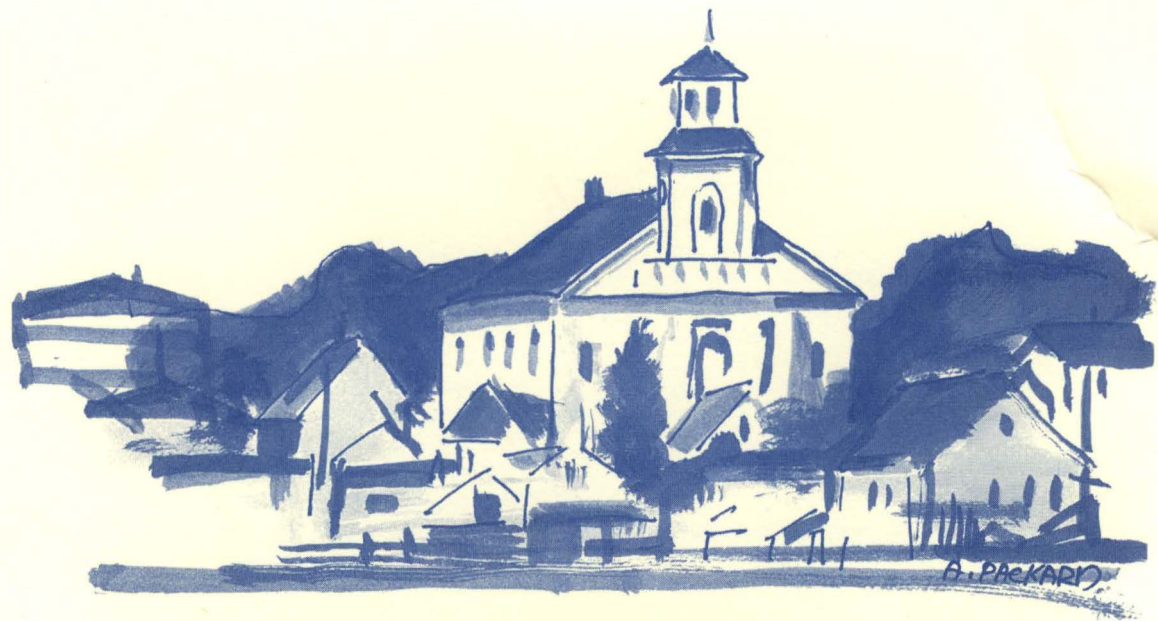
In the meantime, Fair invites everyone to come say hello or to use her words to patrons down below, "Ahoy!"



Above: Brothers Dylan, right, and Brenden Kaeselau and mom Jeanmarie, make good use of the new kids reading area in the new Provincetown library.

Left: Alyssa Schmidt checks out the new computer station at the library.





Anne Packard sketch of Library at 356 Commercial Street



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*Anne Packard sketch of new Library at 356 Commercial Street*



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PHOTO SALLY ROSE

*Selectmen, along with a host of others, enjoy the spirit of the ceremonial grand opening of the Provincetown Public Library in its new home at the corner of Commercial and Center streets, as Library Trustee chair Jim Cole presides.*

## Library opening brings tears of joy

**Sally Rose**

BANNER STAFF

The sound of sniffing surfaced regularly when the applause quieted.

The ceremonial opening of the new Provincetown Public Library on April 28 was an emotional affair for many, particularly those intimately involved with bringing the project to fruition.

While Library Trustee Jim Cole thanked a host of people who contributed to the realization of the new Provincetown Public Library, it was Library Director Debbie DeJonker-Berry who was extolled as the steadfast and in-

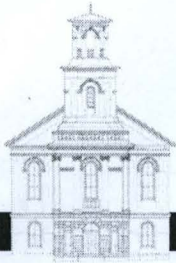
spirational leader on the project. "Debbie is really the reason it got done. Debbie guided all of us," said Cole to a gathering of more than 200 — sitting on chairs and on the floor, standing, squeezed between columns and book stacks — on the first floor of the new library, at the corner of Commercial and Center streets. The group included town residents, town staff, town officials and the chair of the Mass. Board of Library Commissioners, Ed Bertorelli, among others.

"E pluribus unum," said Board of Selectmen chair Cheryl Andrews to the crowd. "That phrase is in my heart today," she said, apolo-

gizing for being "emotionally overwhelmed."

The reference to the phrase on the Great Seal of the U.S., referring to the 13 colonies united into one nation and the birth of the country, is translated as "out of many, one." In this reference, Andrews said she was referring to the many lives of the building — as the Center Street Methodist Church, the Chrysler Museum, the town's Heritage Museum and now the library — as well as the many people involved in creating it and the many elements encompassed within it, including the townspeople and the town's heritage.





# PROVINCETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Only one year ago, a whole new Library universe opened to the public in Provincetown! At exactly 10 am on Wednesday, April 20, 2005, scores of townsfolk and visitors streamed into our new building at 356 Commercial Street for the first time.

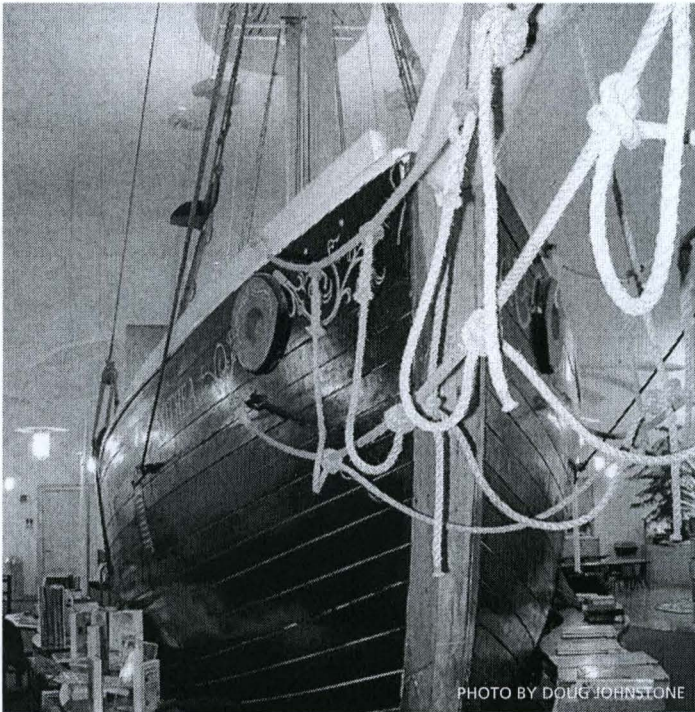


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## "It's Awesome!"

"Awesome!" is exactly the right word to describe our new Library. Brilliant design, combined with excellent workmanship, have equated to a World Class Facility. It is a gorgeous gift, an architectural gem. It uplifts our minds, hearts and spirits each time we enter.

We cherish our new Library as a living symbol of the astonishing work that a community can accomplish when it sets its mind to it. We turned our dreams into reality because we had a plan; a plan that was focused and well-conceived. Together, we created a facility that honors the past, meets the needs of the present, and envisions the future.

## Library Journal Architectural Honor

Designed by Boston's Perry Dean Rogers/Partners, our Library is so outstanding that it was honored in the annual Architectural issue of the prestigious *Library Journal* last December as one of 94 library additions/renovations across the US most noted for their big and bold designs. Of the three cited in Massachusetts, we were joined by Concord and North Adams.

## Big and Small at the Same Time

Although our town is small, our thirst for knowledge is big. And, our new Library reflects just that. Which other Library do we know, that from its founding in 1873, has grown to welcome more than 100,000 people annually and boasts a circulation of 60,000 books and materials.

Our reputation as a cultural center on the Cape has soared. It is a community gathering place; a place to read and reflect, investigate and explore. Most of us have seen nothing like it. From the historic Front Lobby with its grand staircases, the Front Desk, Express Level and Reading Room, to the soaring vaulted ceiling above the *Rose Dorothea* in the Children's Library, to the breathtaking views of the Harbor from the Mezzanine, we are struck by its beauty and functionality.

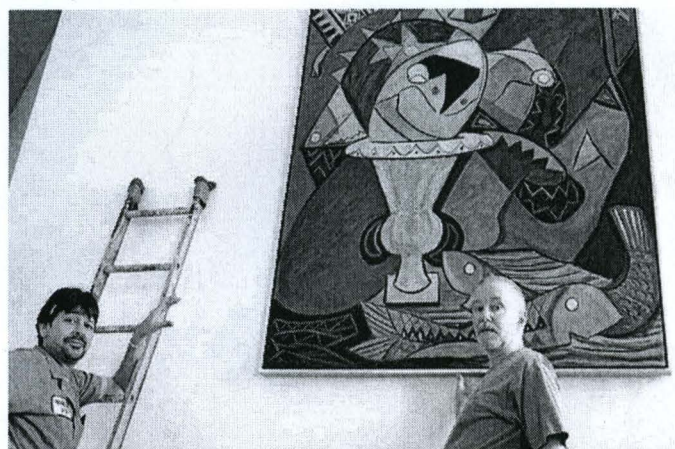
Strong libraries are essential to education and lifelong learning, to economic development, to strong communities, and to a strong democracy. Thankfully, we in Provincetown know what a treasure we have!

## Art Commission Hangs Town Art

Thanks to Town Art Commission members Stephen Borkowski and Peggy Prichett, important pieces of the Town's art collection now grace the Library's walls.

More than 10 paintings have been restored, reframed and hung throughout the building. Works by Beneker, Chaffee, Del Deo, Dowd, Hensche, L'Engle, Knaths, Moffett, Oppenheim, Rann, and Windust are on display. The Library is serving as an important venue for the display of works that have been in storage and, due to their size, have not been seen previously.

We thank Library Custodian Brian Cowing for his expert assistance in hanging the art. And, we are grateful to the Art Commission for bringing this rich history of Provincetown through art into the Library, making it available to such a wide audience of residents and visitors.



Library Custodian Brian Cowing, left, and Art Commission Chair Stephen Borkowski hang Oliver Chaffee's "Still Life", c. 1931, in the Children's Library.



# Capital Campaign Phase Two

Thanks to the 1300+ donors from 37 states across America who have supported the Library Building Project. We are pleased to let you know that to date we have raised \$1.1 million in cash gifts and pledges with another \$600,000 to go –

- \$150,000 to complete the Lower Level, which will house a major part of the Collection
- \$350,000 to reconstruct the decorative Front Façade
- \$100,000 to design and complete the Historic Landscaping

**Choice naming opportunities are still available, such as**

- Selected Furnishings \$1,000 to \$2,500
- Stack sections – \$2,500 each
- Historic windows \$15,000 to \$30,000
- Glass enclosed elevator – \$50,000
- Reading Room – \$100,000
- Lower Level – \$100,000
- Front Façade – \$250,000
- Name the building – \$1 million.

**For more choices and information, contact Library Director Debra DeJonker-Berry at 508-487-7094.**



(Above) Linda Schlecter and the Born-to-Read Story Hour children, looking forward to the Portuguese Festival.



(Left) Removing the belfry for repair.

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(Below) The *Rose Dorothea* in the Children's Library.

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Hormel Gay & Lesbian Center, the exhibit will offer a rare look into the Center's collection, demonstrating what archives are and how they ensure the legacy of the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities. The Center's Program Manager **Jim Van Buskirk** will speak on "Stewarding the Collections: Ten Years Developing the Center at the SFPL", on May 13 at 4 pm.

Civil War boots, pulp paperbacks, and the appointment book of **Harvey Milk** are a part of the exhibit, which includes reproductions of historic photographs, documents and objects drawn from the archives. The exhibit will be on view at the Library from May 10 to June 8.

## Partnership with Monument/Museum

The Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum has had an "off-season" home for exhibits this Fall and Winter at the Library.

Education Program Manager **Laurel Gaudazno** and Curator of Collections **Jeffery Morris** curated three exhibits from the PMPM Collection – a Valentine's exhibit; an archival display from the J. Michael and Donna Pedro Lennon **Norman Mailer** Archives; and a very special exhibit co-sponsored by **Susan Leonard** and the **Portuguese Festival Committee** that displayed a "Meninho Jesus" that was locally made and more than a century old.

The Library is extremely grateful for this opportunity to establish an exhibition partnership with PMPM – it is a wonderful way to connect with community.

## "The Advocate Live" Online

Excitement rippled through the Library and *The Provincetown Banner* recently, spreading to the community at large when some of *The Advocate* archives went online. Since then, hundreds of individuals have found records of Town history, government, schools, and curiosities available at their finger tips.

In early February, the Library launched "The Advocate Live" on its website [www.ptownlib.com](http://www.ptownlib.com). The years 1918, 1931–1934 and 1936–1937 are currently searchable and, very soon, all available issues published before 1918 will also be loaded.

The database is the result of an intense one-year project to re-microfilm, digitize, and index the Library's issues of *The Provincetown Advocate* newspaper and make them available on the Internet. The database is fully searchable – including the ads – and is printable. Library Staff fondly refer to the database as "Olive" – Olive Software is the user interface software.

The project is the result of collaboration between Library Director **Debra DeJonker-Berry** and her staff; Provincetown Banner Publisher **Alix Ritchie** and Chief Operating Officer **Joan Lenane**; Town volunteers; and the Town's MIS Coordinator **Beau Jackett**.

Library volunteer **Dick Caouette** and Library Intern **Agnes Imecs** were instrumental in the early stages of determining how best to prepare the newspapers for scanning. **Ellen McQuade** of New England Micrographics kept the project on track as she worked with Library Staff to provide newly microfilmed issues of *The Advocate* for preservation and scanning purposes. The staff from the Online Computer Library Center, a nationwide nonprofit that assists libraries and archives, did the prep work for Olive's custom software. MIS Coordinator **Beau Jackett** loaded all the files.

A \$40,000 Library Services and Technology Act Grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services as administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners produced the sys-

## HOLD THAT DATE!

### ■ Wednesday, May 10 – Tuesday, June 6

"Out at the Library" Exhibit Opens

On loan from the San Francisco Public Library

### ■ Saturday, May 13, 4-7 pm

"Out at the Library" Talk and Reception

"Stewarding the Collections" by Jim Van Buskirk

### ■ Monday, May 15, 7:30 pm

Reading by Norris Church Mailer\*

### ■ Saturday, June 3, 1-4 pm

"Archives on the Road" at the Pilgrim

Monument, Talk by Molly Wheeler, Archivist

### ■ Wednesday, June 14, 11:30 am

Lipton Cup Official Welcome Ceremony

### ■ Lower Level Book Sales

Wednesday-Friday, June 14-16, 1-5 pm

Saturday, June 17, 10 am-2 pm

Sunday, June 18, 1-5 pm

Sponsored by the Friends of the Provincetown Public Library

\* This reading is the final in a "Genius Loci" Author Series sponsored by the Supporters of the Provincetown Public Library and the Wired Puppy. Other readings included Poet Mary Oliver in March and Historian Karen Krahulik in April. In addition, the Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies sponsored a four-part Marine Lecture Series in March and April.

tem. Library Director **DeJonker-Berry** was responsible for writing and submitting the proposal that secured the funding.

According to **DeJonker-Berry**, the ultimate goal is to one day load all sorts of old documents, real estate records, and other materials with obvious practical use such as the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, which date back well into the 1800's.

## Alice Joseph Remembered

Two Storyteller chairs have been given in memory of Alice O'Grady Joseph by her family and friends. Alice, who started the Children's Story Hour, was beloved as Provincetown's Librarian from 1965 to 1982.

A plaque on a card catalog, which sits between the chairs reads, "Given . . . by her Granddaughter **Gretchen** and **John Ciluzzi**, and her friends **Lee Ciliberto**, **Valerie** and **John Ciluzzi**, **Miriam Collinson**, **Ed Peltier**".



# BUILDING CAMPAIGN UPDATE

We've reached the \$1.1 million mark toward our \$1.7 million goal in cash gifts and pledges to the Library Building Fund! Please join us and more than 1,300 individuals from 37 states across the US with your *tax-deductible* contribution.

## Yes! I support the Provincetown Public Library Building Project Capital Campaign Fund in the amount of:

\$50,000     \$10,000     \$2,500     \$500     \$100  
 \$25,000     \$5,000     \$1,000     \$250     \$50  
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\*\* When you make a gift to the "PPL Building Fund" in someone's name, both you and s/he become donors and a gift card is sent.

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Art Commission Chair Stephen Borkowski, left, and Tourism Director Bill Schneider give the Lipton Cup the 'white glove' treatment upon its arrival at the Library.

## The Lipton Cup – A Winner

The Lipton Cup is in its new home! It has emerged from a safe in Town Clerk Doug Johnstone's office, and now stands prominently on the Library's Main Floor.

Thanks to the efforts of Tourism Director **Bill Schneider** and the support of the **Visitor Services Board**, the famed Lipton Cup has been cleaned, polished, and installed in a display case superbly crafted by **Adam Levinson** of Wellfleet.

Also known as the **Fishermen's Cup**, the exquisite silver trophy was offered by Sir Thomas Lipton as a prize in a 39-mile sailing race from Boston to Gloucester in August, 1907. It was awarded to the winner, Captain Marion Perry of the *Rose Dorothea*, a Provincetown-based fishing schooner, along with a \$650 cash prize.

A 66.5-foot half-scale model of the original *Rose* is now the centerpiece of the Children's Library. Crafted over a period of 12 years – from 1977 to 1989 – by a team led by Shipbuilder **Flyer Santos**, it was built into the second floor of what was then the Heritage Museum. Flyer and his team managed to launch a boat in the confines of an indoor world.

The Cup arrived at its new home on February 24. It will be officially welcomed at a community event on June 14, the anniversary date of the Town of Provincetown's incorporation in 1727.

## "Out at the Library" On Tour from San Francisco

A Talk and Reception on Saturday, May 13, 2006, from 4 to 7 pm, at the Library will mark the opening of a traveling panel exhibition, entitled, "Out at the Library". The public is cordially invited to attend.

On loan from the San Francisco Public Library's James C.