

Library and Collections Committee Report for the May 26, 2012 BFS Board Meeting

On New Year's Day a small committee of BFS Board members received from Mrs. V. Leona Salisbury and her sons a framed oil painting of the Satterlee garden at Great Head Estate designed by Beatrix Farrand in 1905. The painting has been cleaned and undergone light restoration, but it is unsigned.

From Louisa Maletzia, Robert Patterson's daughter, we received four books with BF bookplates. (Mrs. Maletzia lives in Ellsworth and looks forward to a summer visit to Garland Farm.) While the books are not on the Morning Room list, they contribute to understanding Farrand's general library:

Odes of Horace in English Verse, edited by H.E. Butler

Two volume set of *Jane Eyre*, *Wuthering Heights* and *Agnes Grey*, by Charlotte, Emily and Anne Bronte
From a New Garden by Mrs. Francis King

From Patricia (Trishie) Scull, via her niece Edy, we received 23 books covering a wide range of gardening interests.

From Diane Cousins we received:

1. *Colonial Grandeur in Philadelphia: The House and Furniture of General John Cadwalader* by Nicholas Wainwright
2. Correspondence, newspaper clippings, photocopies, receipts, pamphlets, household inventories, and wills from the lives of Mary Cadwalader Jones, Edith Wharton, Beatrix and Max Farrand, and Amy Garland. (65 items)
3. "Garden Story", a CD made for PBS narrated by Rebecca Fishkorn (now Rebecca Trafton, President of the Dumbarton Oaks Park Foundation)

From Marti Harmon the library received a photocopy of a pastel (painting) found in the Beatrix Farrand Archives in Berkeley. (Though unsigned, the writing identifying St. Helena Island in Venice is similar to Farrand's hand.)

Recent visitors have included members of the Lord and Schryver Conservancy in Portland, Oregon. Patrick Chasse visited in February and brought a box of miscellaneous books for our "donation rack". Caitlin McDonough MacKenzie, a graduate student working in collaboration with Acadia National Park studying the shifts in blooming times of plants on MDI, who originally contacted the library about Farrand's garden records, visited with her grandmother.

Marti Harmon, Librarian