

Dinner Choices

(All dinners include a mixed greens salad, tortellini with vodka sauce, and warm apple cobbler for dessert)

A. Bistro Steak:

NY strip steak, pan seared with Sautéed Mushrooms

B. Eggplant Parmigiana:

Layers of eggplant, marinara sauce, topped with mozzarella

Names: _____ Choice _____

HMLA Activities

Spring and Autumn Dinner Meetings

held at local restaurants. Each meeting provides networking opportunities and features a guest speaker, covering diverse and timely topics. Our speakers are local colleagues and scholars.

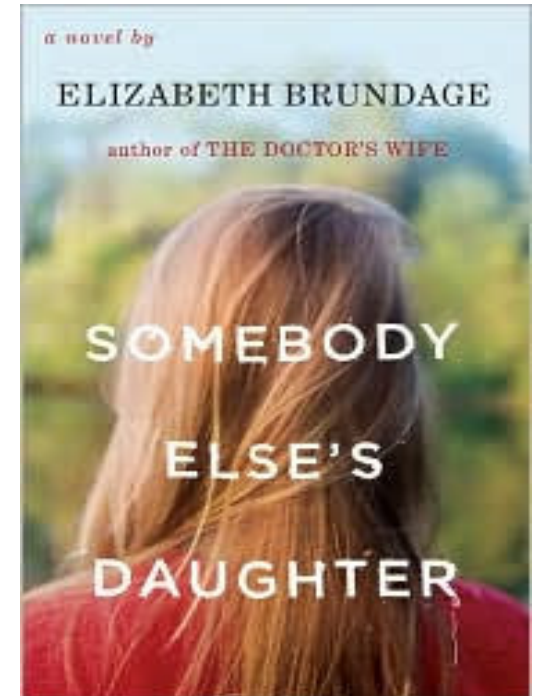
The Distinguished Service Award is an annual award which recognizes a local individual or institution that has made outstanding contributions to the profession.

In HMLA's Newsletter

You'll read about local library news, program announcements, member news, relevant legislative concerns, and other topics.



Hudson Mohawk Library Association



**October 17th, 2008
Dinner & Program
Italian American
Com'ty Center
Washington Ave. Ext.**

Featuring Elizabeth Brundage
Author of the newly published: *Somebody
Else's Daughter*

Join us for a look into writing, what Elizabeth describes as a joyful affliction. "I love putting words together. I love language, and I love the sound that words make when you put them in a sentence. It's a musical process for me."

Elizabeth becomes very involved with the psychology of the characters she develops. Attention to detail includes rich descriptions of the settings of her works. Her goal is to make the story as real as possible.

The Doctor's Wife, published in 2004, was set in the Albany area and dealt with marital loneliness. As strain of Michael Knowles' work at a local abortion clinic and busy medical practice erodes their relationship, Annie becomes open to a dangerous liaison.

Elizabeth's second book, *Somebody Else's Daughter*, was published in July 2008. This work looks into the private lives of families living in the Berkshires.

How the past haunts the present is the major theme of the work. Nate Gallagher takes a teaching job at the Pioneer School, acknowledging his compulsion to see the daughter he gave up for adoption. Willa struggles with feelings of loss and abandonment while living in an affectionate, prosperous home. The long neglected marriage of adoptive parents Candace and Joe still contains love, that when nurtured, endures.

Elizabeth Brundage settled in the Capital Region with her family ten years ago. Following a degree from Hampshire College in Amherst Massachusetts, she studied at the University of Iowa's Writer's Workshop.

Hudson Mohawk Library Association
2008 Fall Dinner Program --
Friday, October 17th

If you can attend, please send your dinner choice(s) and a check for \$28, made out to:

Hudson Mohawk Library Association
And mail to:
Rob Carle, HMLA treasurer
Upper Hudson Library Assoc.
28 Essex Street
Albany, NY 12206

Schedule

5:30 Social Hour (Cash Bar)
6:30 Dinner
7:00 Program

Italian American Community Center
is located at :
257 Washington Ave. Ext
Albany, NY 12205.
Their web site at:
www.italianamerican.com and
their phone number is: 456-0292

**We are also pleased to
extend an invitation to
join HMLA.**

Please fill in the form below and send a check, **made out HMLA**, for \$10.00 to:

Rob Carle, HMLA Treasurer
Upper Hudson Library System
28 Essex Street
Albany, NY 12206

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Title: _____

Institution: _____

Preferred Mailing Address:

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