

The Friends of the North Hampton Public Library

Wednesday, May 16, 2018
North Hampton Public Library

Presiding Officer Cynthia Swank called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. In attendance were Jane Boesch, Donna Etela, Vicki Jones, and Nancy Monaghan. Also attending was Librarian Susan Grant.

The Treasurer's report and the minutes of the April 18, 2018 meeting were approved as presented. Cynthia said the check from Community Oven had been received.

Community Oven event: Cynthia reported the total raised was \$767.13, as follows:

- \$240.58 from Community Oven
- \$351.00 from the raffle
- \$175.55 from the silent auction

Community Newsletter: Nancy Monaghan and Susan Grant said the summer newsletter has gone to production within deadline. Target date in mailboxes is June 20.

PAL: Cynthia and Susan will go to a PAL meeting in hopes of generating interest in getting involved with The Friends. Children's Librarian Connie Margowsky normally attends the school picnic in August and has a table. She will be invited to the next Friends meeting to talk about partnering with us.

Museum Passes: The pass for the Children's Museum & Theatre of Maine in Portland has been purchased. Commitment was made for Fuller Gardens passes, and the vote of the officers to do so given time constraints was ratified by those present. (These are billed at the end of the Fuller Gardens season because they are based on the number of people who used the discounted offer.)

Friends/Trustees event: Vicki Jones reported Nicole Carrier at Throwback was very positive about hosting a Friends event. She suggested they could do it on a Monday or a Tuesday when the restaurant is closed. They can seat 80 inside plus eight at the bar, and perhaps another 20 if it's just for mingling and appetizers rather than a dinner. Cynthia contacted Centennial Hall which would be available for a \$50 donation to cover their costs for cleanup. She also talked to Old Salt about catering at Centennial Hall and got a price list of appetizers. There would be a flat fee for liquor, and guests would pay for their own drinks. Much discussion ensued about how we could get people to come, and the consensus was we need something more than an invitation to actually attract people to an event. Susan also suggested we might consider an event on the library grounds. Cynthia and Jane Boesch will go to the Trustees' workshop meeting Wednesday, May 23 to discuss these ideas.

Old Home Day: The Town's plans for this event August 11 are not yet firm. We will proceed to plan a blueberry-themed event given it will be blueberry season and perhaps we can raffle off a nice basket of blueberry items from Stonewall Kitchen.

Cynthia suggested we make a concerted effort to sell the Doris Rice notecards during the Memorial Day event May 28 given that those notecards have beautiful bunting adorning the Library building. All agreed we'll put up a table that day.

Susan passed out a lengthy list of library events for the summer.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30. The next meeting is **Wednesday, June 20** at the library.

Minutes prepared May 16, 2018
by Nancy Monaghan