

October Meeting Recap- 7 members present, 35 Friends in total

I informed the group that Donna was looking for volunteers to help sort and straighten the books in the shed. A couple of Friends volunteered to sort the books by Non-Fiction, Fiction-adult, Fiction- Young Adult, Fiction- childrens, to make sure the boxes are in good shape (tape if needed), in boxes with lids and labeled by those categories. You can go and assist at any time, the staff will have the key and needed supplies ready. There are no lights available, so it must be done during daylight hours.

The members present decided that the theme of our Trunk or Treat vehicle will be "Pirate ship". I will be creating the front of a pirate ship out of cardboard to place behind Kathryn's truck. I am purchasing the pirate hats, while Kathryn is getting eye patches and brown tablecloths to drape over the side of her truck. Everyone participating will be dressed in black, stripes, or other suitable pirate attire. The Friends banner will be displayed on the side of the truck to advertise our participation. At the end of the meeting, all the donated candy was placed into treat bags and is all set to go for the day of the event. Thank you to everyone that donated candy to the library or our Friends group.

So far we have sold 16 Coffee and Canvas event tickets. The Library gets \$10 for each ticket sold, as well as additional money for each extra cup of coffee, tea or hot chocolate sold. Below I have attached the flyer for the event, please post it anywhere you can to promote this event. We have four Friends volunteer to bake some treats for this event, if anyone else can contribute, please let us know. They should be small individual treats or cookies. They can be dropped off at the Legion hall below the library after 6 pm on the day of the event, November 14th. They will be placed on the Friends table at the event with a box asking for donations, not for sale. We will be holding our November meeting at 6:30 before the event as well. We will be encouraging new Friends to sign up for our group by having applications available.

The Library basket raffle for November will be a \$50 gift certificate from the Harlem Valley Homestead. They are located in Wingdale and have an online farmstand selling meat, seasonal vegetables, eggs and other pantry items. The raffle will run from November 1-19th and the winning ticket will be pulled on Monday, November 21st so that it will be available to be picked up before Thanksgiving.

We discussed trying to run a tag sale for the Library in December, but we did not have coverage for the available dates. It was decided to shift the tag sale idea to January and will be asking for items to be donated to benefit the library in the beginning of January, for an event later in the month. More to be determined on that in our December meeting.

Maria, who attended her first Friends meeting, offered to put together a basket to raffle off for December highlighting honey that she harvests from her bees.

Next meeting- Monday November 14th, 6:30 pm in the Legion hall under the Library

This will be before our event. I will be there at 6 pm to let Reverie in to set up for our event.

Thanks everyone!

Chris Bergin

trustee liaison for the Friends of the Dover Plains Library