

2/13/23 - February meeting recap

5 members present

The January basket donated by Apples & Jars LLC raised \$176 for the library. The current basket was donated by Harney & Sons and we need to promote it- please share it wherever you can. The basket for March was offered by "Unrefined 845" owner Liz Amerman with a gift box of soap, Vogt butter, lip balm and other products that she makes and sells. She had contacted Jill by responding to one of her posts promoting the cocoa bomb basket. We are very happy to accept her offer. We are also planning for the April basket- we are thinking about doing a spring planting theme. We will continue to discuss this on our Facebook page.

Corporation paperwork. Jill will be inquiring about this further. The next step is getting an EIN# by filling out an SS-4 form. That can be processed immediately online. Then we will follow up with the 501(c)(3) paperwork. This will be discussed further at future meetings.

I contacted the art department, [ChristineIreland@doverschools.org](mailto:ChristineIreland@doverschools.org), at the high school to offer volunteer hours for someone to help design flyers and posters for events. She was very excited because next year they are planning a digital art class and are looking for real world assignments. She is looking forward to allowing students to gain work based learning hours to be able to graduate. She is willing to get students involved this year and we just need to give her a little notice to get this done.

Heidi was very interested in doing an arts and craft swap. I thought it would be a great idea to keep us out there in the public eye. So here is what is proposed:

Swap in the community room on Saturday March 25th at 10 am-2 pm. May reserve hall as backup, but would need to reserve it Friday too for set up.

Dropoffs of fabrics & notions, arts & crafts supplies to be held from Feb 27- March 22.

Several members volunteered to stop by and help organize any donations and we will be able to start setup Thursday- Friday night in the community room. We will be sorting and possibly putting stuff into ziploc bags.

I will contact the school to create flyers to post around town. Will get some in spanish made up to. Once created, I'll have the library print them out to post around town. I will also ask if they can post them in the school to increase donations. Heidi will handle all social media as usual.

Future events- Bring ideas back for our March meeting- discussed options below:

\*\*\*\*HV Trivia ([HUDSONVALLEYTRIVIA@YAHOO.COM](mailto:HUDSONVALLEYTRIVIA@YAHOO.COM))- Sean

Depending on how long the program- \$250-450 depending on the length of the event and their staffing needs. Max is 15 teams with 10 players, but we could do less. Game lasts from 90 to 120 minutes with breaks.

Cost per team or per player? \$10/player? How many tables could we set up in the Hall?

Extra ideas for raising money? Sell water, snacks? Wine or beer vendor at the event?

Prize packs- Need to have enough prizes for each team member. Grand Prize or smaller?

Ideas for prizes? Friday or Sat night? Will discuss further at future meetings.

\*\*\*\*Tag sale/ Indoor market

We have committed to doing this on Sunday, April 23rd from 10am to 4 pm. I will call to reserve the hall. We will collect donations to sell to raise money for the library from April 10-22. We will limit the donations to smaller items. We also discussed hosting part of it outside, but that might be determined by the response that we get. We will sell tables to vendors and will inquire how much the firehouse charges for their tables to set the price. We will be looking to create signs to stick in the ground that we can reuse at future events. We will be purchasing water, asst drinks and perhaps a bake sale for additional fundraising. All these will be discussed further on our Facebook page and finalizing ideas at our March meeting.

Our next meeting is Monday March 13th at 6:30 pm in the community room.

Thanks everyone!

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