

Friends of Cheney Library Meeting
Tuesday, June 26, 2018

Meeting opened at 7 p.m.

Present:

- Suzanne Anatriello
- Colleen Doyle
- Debbie Tudor
- Susan Hoffman
- Sue Hyde
- Lynne Teker
- Diane Davendonis
- Carol Gaillard
- Dawn Dufty
- Lise Smith
- Silvia Plasse

Last meeting's minutes: Approve: Suzanne Anatriello - Second: Colleen Doyle - All in favor and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- Current balance: \$2,393.82
- Deposits since last meeting:
 - \$75 April Raffle
 - \$33 May Raffle
 - \$11 Father's Day Raffle
- April statement shares draft of 51.00
- Expenditures - \$116.89 Blue Flame
- Staples - \$519.95

Current Friends email list will be modified. Notifications going out to participating members of the group only. This change will be reflected when next meeting's minutes are sent.

The Library now owns a Grandma Moses print. Bennington Museum has the original. We have permission to show this print. The Galerie St. Etienne in NYC owns all rights. Print is currently framed, but a better frame/glass is needed to have proper protection. Diane Davendonis and Colleen Doyle will get quotes on the framing of the picture. It is ours to keep, as long as the Museum knows where it is kept.

Debbie Tudor related that UHLS announced a 2018 UPPER HUDSON LIBRARY EXPEDITION between 9/1 - 11/30/18

It is like a pub crawl, only with libraries. You can visit other libraries on your own or in a group. Motto: Become a 36er. Visit each library and write down all notable things. (There are 36 libraries). We will have a Grandma Moses theme (her birth date is in September) and hope to engage Phyllis Chapman to attend in period costume.

Three panic buttons were purchased for Mary Lucey, Silvia Plasse and Lise Smith. They are not connected to a security system, but emit a loud noise.

Silvia will contact Jane Klonsky, who had visited once introducing her book 'UNCONDITIONAL' as a speaker for October. Jane has been to Africa to support local women's groups. There are also wonderful wildlife photos Jane can share with us.

When money is collected by Treasurer, a newly created form will have to be signed handing over and receiving money.

Motion to approve this: Motion - Debbie Tudor. Second - Susan Hoffman. All in favor.

Silvia Plasse is stepping down as the group's Secretary. Unless someone volunteers for this now vacant position, the President, Suzanne Anatriello, will appoint a member before each meeting to take minutes. Colleen Doyle has a template that will help expedite the transcribing.

Diane Davendonis is preparing new Raffle for August: Backpack - returning to school.

Silvia in charge of September Raffle.

Dawn Dufty in charge of October Raffle.

Lynne Teker will plan November Raffle.

Carol Gaillard in charge of December Raffle.

Carol is planning to contact Helen Greene, who makes fairy houses/displays and invite her to do a demonstration on the 'how-to'. This will take place according to Helen's availability.

Suzanna Anatriello would like the bike-rack, currently in the parking lot of the back of building, to be painted and brought up front. Perhaps we can get teens to get involved in that task.

Fund Raising ideas:

- Catering food and selling tickets, (event locations, possibly North Hoosick Fire House, Armory or
- wreath festival, or
- Bingo

Silvia will contact Ellen McMartin for technical advice on Bingo facts and also ask Richard Conety about his comedian performances.

Suzanne Anatriello suggested to get a Debit Card to make purchases on line possible. Questions were raised to the safety and necessity. This remained undecided.

Debbie Tudor shared plans for the following project:

Through NYS Library fund, UHLS has 1 Million Dollars available for its libraries.

Cheney Library will apply for a grant of approximately \$50,000/\$60,000.

25% of that sum should be provided by our Library and Debbie Tudor asked the Friends of Library to contribute with \$2,000 before August 1, 2018.

- The wall between the Book Sale room and utility room will be knocked down. This is a load bearing wall and supports are necessary.
- It would create a room that can be used for multiple purposes, i.e. yoga class, movie night, etc.

- Kids room to receive storage cabinets and kids computer.
- Hallway emptied and hooks for coats put up.
- Carpets removed, walls painted.
- Flat screen TV on movable cart with blue ray player.
- All downstairs windows will be replaced with energy efficient windows.
- Cabinet will enclose Internet setup and cables in utility room.
- Bathroom to have handicap assist aids.
- Outside steps (leading out of basement - emergency exit) will be replaced.

If approved, work could start in the winter of 2018. This should be known by the end of September.

Kids room would be closed for about one week, rest of area for about 6 weeks.

Motion to give \$2,000 to the Library Board towards this project made by Diane Davendonis. Second: Carol Gaillard.

In favor: 5, abstained: 4

Board requires a bank statement from the Friends to show that funds are available.

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 28, 7 pm

Adjourned at 8:50 pm

Minutes recorded by: Silvia Plasse