

Meeting of the Friends of Lake Travis Community Library April 23rd, 2009

In Attendance

Joyce Botta, Diane Taylor, Sandy Price, Margaret McDermott, Helen Kott, Amy Holland, Carol Black, Jonila McGinley, Susan Gilman, Earlene Loflin, Nancy Pencsak, Morgan McMillian, Valerie Liebl .

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Joyce Botta.

Minutes: Diane Taylor made a motion that the March Minutes be approved. Helen Kott seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

Morgan McMillian, our new Library Director effective June 1st, was introduced and welcomed to the group.

I. REPORTS

Volunteer Report – Earlene Loflin

- Earlene reported that she has received 15 teen volunteer applications so far. She does not anticipate any problem in reaching the goal of 50 teen volunteers.
- Earlene reminded everyone to read the screen when checking out material as the scanners do not always operate properly.

Treasurer's Report – Amy Holland

- Amy presented the Treasurer's Report as of April 23rd, 2009. There were no significant items of discussion.
- Margaret McDermott moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Nancy Pencsak seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

Library Report – Sue Gilman

- Sue reported that 317 people attended various events in March. The door count of 5270 was up from a year ago, as was circulation. The use of TexShare cards was reducing due to the new policy being operated by Austin Library District.
- 35 persons attended the Lake Travis Reads event "Afghanistan: Building Bridges-Connecting Cultures" held at the Emmaus Church on March 26th.
- "Pennies for Peace" collected a total of \$45.18.
- The Craft group will be making friendship bracelets to be given to children in Afghanistan.
- Sue thanked the Friends for baking cookies for the Anniversary of the Library at the current location.
- The Summer Reading Program will run from June 6th until August 7th. The first event will be a trick roper, on May 30th, Bonzo Crunch, a clown, July 16th and Bernadette Nason, a Storyteller on July 24th. Critterman will be at Briarcliff at 10.00 a.m. and the Lakeway Activity Center at 2.00 p.m. on August 15th.
- Craft camps will be held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays and run by Kim McGee.

- Science Camps will be held on Fridays and run by Sharon Rogers.
- Sue Gilman will have having “Lunch Bunch” at noon.
- There will be an Adult Genre Bingo Reading Program which will run through the summer. If any Friends have prizes they would like to donate please contact Sue.
- Weekly Basic Computer classes will commence on May 11th from 8.30 – 9.30. There will be a sign up sheet at the circulation desk and a limit of 8 participants.
- Patrons wishing to use computers will now have to sign up at the front desk and pay for any printing in advance.
- The purchase of scanners is being investigated.
- The Library is holding a Book Fair in conjunction with Barnes and Noble at The Galleria from June 14th – 21st. A portion of proceeds will be donated to the Library and Barnes and Noble will also have a Library Wish List.

Programs – Helen Kott

- Book Groups and Craft Groups are underway and doing well.
- Three more Book Groups and another Craft Group have been added.
- Helen Kott will try and locate a local author for the Fall program.
- A Memoir Writing Group will start in the Fall.
- In November a member of the Friends will give a presentation on South Western Indian artifacts.

Scholarship Committee – Margaret McDermott

- The Scholarship Committee interviewed the four applicants for the Scholarship and were very impressed with all the candidates. A discussion followed as to whether to increase the number of scholarships to two.
- The Board informed the Scholarship Committee that \$2000 from the Reserve Fund is available to the Scholarship Fund for the 2009 program to use as the Committee chooses to acknowledge the superior service records of this year’s applicants.

Membership – Jonila McGinley

- A Friends Wine and Cheese Appreciation Party is being held on Thursday, April 30th at the Lakeway Activity Center from 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.

Library District Report

- There will be a Ground Breaking Ceremony on April 29th at 11.00. a.m. at Tuscan Village site. All Friends may attend. This ground breaking is not for the Library, but for the overall development where the new library will be built.

Fund Raising – Nancy Pencsak

- Nancy Pencsak reported on-line book sales of \$689.89 in March.

- The next Book Sale will be held on Saturday June 6th and Nancy asked that the Friends rent 10 tables from the Activity Center.
- Sue Gilman will send an email to Lake Travis High School asking for teen volunteers at the Book Sale from 6.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m. on June 6th. The hours volunteered can be used by the teens as “Service Hours”
- Joyce Botta advised that a few items from the recent furniture donation by the Live Oak Group will be sold at the Book Sale. These will consist of office chairs and a book case.

Publicity – Sandy Price

- Sandy will be placing an advertisement in the Home Owners News advertising the Book Sale.
- Sandy will be taking pictures at the Friends Appreciation Wine and Cheese party and also the Book Sale.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- **By-law changes.**
The By-laws were amended to eliminate the reference to “yearly general membership meetings”, as all meetings of the Friends are general membership meetings. Helen Kott made a motion that the Draft By-laws be approved. Valerie Liebl seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- Helen Kott thanked Lake Travis Reads for their donation of \$100 to the American Friendship Foundation.
- The Friends annual luncheon will be held at the home of Joyce Botta on Thursday June 18th at 11.00.
- The Friends will be entering a float in the 4th July Parade, the theme is “Flying High, the Red, White and Blue. Any Friends who would like to participate please contact a Board member
- Joyce Botta advised that the Live Oak Group had donated some office furniture. Much of the furniture is being used in the library, the rest will either be put in storage for use in the new library or sold at the Book Sale.

IV. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at 9.30 AM in the Library on Thursday May 28th . month.

Valerie Liebl, Corresponding Secretary

Joyce Botta, President