

**Friends of the Town and Country Public Library
Minutes of May 14, 2009
Board of Directors**

- 1) **Call to Order:** Bill Grabarek called meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
- 2) **Roll Call:** Directors Present: Bill Grabarek, Joan Hansen, Lori Crimmins, Concetta Hedrick, Joe Kryszak, Stacy Groesch, Judy Hinger-Borucki. Others Present: Ivanka Grabarek, Marianne Moye, Patricia Romke. Cathy Korthals, Library Adult Services and Lynn Alms, Library Director.
- 3) **Additions/Changes to the agenda:** Next meeting 7/09/09. Bill G. will not be attending.
- 4) **Approval of Minutes January 8, 2009:** no changes. Lori C motioned, Stacy G. seconded.
- 5) **Treasurer's Report:** Submitted by Lori Crimmins. Reported a current balance of \$5232.32. Proceeds included- Garden Raffle \$549. Plant Sale \$1895.95 (100 dozen sold). Membership \$505. Coffee bar \$350 & Book Nook \$1957. Both since Sept. 09.
- 6) **Membership:** Stacy G. reported real count is actually 60. If all renew could be as high as 85. Renewals all sent out, no responses to date. Per Lynn Alms, new members may contact her for a tour of the library and have their questions answered.
- 7) **Finance:** None
- 8) **Hospitality:** Judy B. announced volunteers needed for summer coffee bar sign ups.
- 9) **Publicity:** Joan H. said the Garden Raffle winner is publicized in Elburn Herald & Kane County Chronicle. The Local Tribune contact doesn't cover Elburn anymore. Request to send in recipes for cookbook also in Elburn Herald. Library Newsletter will have the Garden Raffle Winner's photo entered and report on the Summer Reading program. Winning ticket was drawn by Mike Crom of Elburn; Winner is Colette Petit of Virgil. The Library and Elburn Days are both 80 in (2009).
- 10) **Fundraising:** Joan H. announced that the Annual Plant sale raised close to \$2,000. Annual Elburn Day's Book Sale is next! Gardeners raffle raised \$549. In profits!
- 11) **Comments Library Staff/Board:** Dewey Dash had 237 runners/walkers registered; 217 crossed the finish line. Donations were close to \$3500. -in spite of a rainy day. Per Lynn A. regarding the Library Historical Society Collections - a room is rented at the Community Center. Application has been made for a grant to digitize the photos. Volunteers are organized but more workers are needed for the huge quantity of documents, school records, photos, etc. It could take up to 5 years to preserve, organize, sort, and box up all materials in acid free containers. An additional professional organization is really needed. The Summer Reading program begins 1st week of June. Dwayne N. is hoping for 1,000 children. Cathy is running the adult summer reading program. This year's theme is "Read on the Wide Side". There will be 3 grand prizes: Brookfield Zoo one year pass; Water Park summer pass; Best Buy gift card.
- 12) **Old Business:** Stacy G. Re: Cook Book. She found a very reasonable Printer, Stellar Graphics, who will charge \$5/per book. No deposit is needed up front, no minimum book order needed, plus Printer will donate 2 hours of designing time (a savings of \$75/hr). The book will have 10 dividers, approx. 60 pgs. = 180 recipes, be spiral bound, choice of covers and have laminated front/back. We should obtain 200 total recipes minimum; need more main dishes now. Dwayne N. took forms to the schools for children's divider page drawings. Books can sell for \$10 each and be sold at the library booth during Elburn Days. Volunteers are needed that weekend from Friends. May 31 should be the deadline for collecting recipes. Planning needs to be completed by mid to late June and an order placed by July 1. Stacy will not be at the next meeting. Delivery can be August with monies needed to place order by August as well. Joan H. moved to donate \$3500. to the library; Lori C. seconded for money to be used by the library where most needed. That leaves a balance of \$1732. for Friends to put toward the cookbook. By the end of July Friends should easily have enough money for the cookbooks.
- 13) **New Business:** Annual book sale: on the Saturday from 9-12noon - charge new price of \$3/per bag; or two for \$5 and use Jewel grocery bags. All agreed. Friends Pre-Sales to be held Thursday evening, August 20.
- 14) **Other Business:** Coupon Corner going okay. Children's Crafts per Joan H. - we are covered with enough craft items for the rest of 2009. Mother's Day Craft only 12 attended. Friends Recognition Program (Honorary Life Memberships and Certificate of Recognition Awarded) to one person a year. Please think of someone and we will discuss it at the next meeting. This is a special Thank You for going above & beyond, per Bill G. At the July 9th meeting, please sign up for Book Sale volunteer opportunities during Elburn Days August 21, 22, 23.
- 15) **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned by Bill G. at 8:20 p.m. Stacy G. motioned, Judy B. seconded.

Important Dates – Mark your Calendars: Annual Library Volunteer Brunch Sunday 6/7/09
Meeting Dates: July 9, Sept. 10 (Annual), November 12

Respectfully Submitted
Concetta Hedrick, Secretary