

**Friends of the Town and Country Public Library
Minutes of July 9, 2009
Board of Directors**

- 1) **Call to Order:** Joan Hansen, V.P. called meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
- 2) **Roll Call:** Directors Present: Joan Hansen, Concetta Hedrick, Judy Hinger-Borucki, Jack Hedrick. Absent Directors: Bill Grabarek, Lori Crimmins, Stacey Groesch, Joe Kryszak. In the absence of a quorum we understand we could only discuss previously approved business. Discussion was important concerning the need for volunteers for the Elburn Days annual Book Sale, Aug.21 & 22nd. Others Present: Alan Guthke, Dorothy Hanson, Sharon Kryszak, Tania Miller, Dwayne Nelson, Library Youth Services, Valerie Walker, Library Board/ Friends member and Jonathan Hedrick.
- 3) **Additions/Changes to the agenda:** Add Jonathan Hedrick, Eagle Scout Library Project under Old Business.
- 4) **Approval of Minutes May 14, 2009:** no changes. Judy H. motioned; Jack H. seconded.
- 5) **Treasurer's Report:** Submitted by Joan H. reported a current balance of \$2166.34. Proceeds included- Book Nook hardcover books sold to an Interior Decorator at \$75. Balance also included 48, 2010 Calendars purchased
- 6) **Membership:** Membership currently down to 42.
- 7) **Finance:** None
- 8) **Hospitality:** Judy H. announced volunteers needed for July 25 and month of Aug/Sept. Coffee bar w/be closed the day of the Annual Book Sale, Saturday 8/22/09.
- 9) **Publicity:** Joan H. reminded everyone of the upcoming Annual Book Sale, Fri. 8/21 9-3 and Sat 8/22 9-12noon. More book donations are needed. Volunteer sign-up sheets were distributed. The Saturday bag sale will take place from 9am-12noon. The cost is \$3 per bag or 2 for \$5. Hopefully this will move more books the last day of the sale.
- 10) **Fundraising:** Cookbook – The cover is completed and designed by Tom Orr, student/employee of library. All dividers are in place from children's drawings. Stacy G. is finalizing the recipes, proofreaders are needed. Valerie Walker & Concetta H. volunteered. Since Stacy is not at this meeting, Joan H. will email her the volunteer's names. To purchase: Mail check to "Friends of Town & Country Library Cookbook", c/o Town & Country Library, 320 E. North Ave., Elburn, IL 60119. Cookbooks should be completed and available for sale at the Annual Book Sale during Elburn Days and also at the library front desk. Signs will be posted around the library as well.
If pre-ordered now through 8/14/09, save 20% and pay \$8.00 ea. After 8/14/09 price is \$10 a book.
- 11) **Comments Library Staff/Board:** Dwayne N. announced the Summer Reading Program is going great with 972 signed up at last count. The ad was in the Elburn Herald today. Included in that total are 326 adults. The Youth program wish list idea presented by Dwayne is for a low level Mobile Book Browser Shelving unit costing approximately \$400. Also library circulation is up this summer with Youth circulation up 33% from 2008. The Adult circulation is also up. Some summer Youth events will include 2 Music Programs, a Magic Show, Fire Safety Day, a Band Concert on 7/28/09 and a Summer Reading Grand Finale scheduled Saturday, August 8 including the Gratitude Steel Band. This final event will be held outside and food will be provided. A few volunteers are needed for this event.
- 12) **Old Business:** Per Joan H. Children's Crafts will not take place in the Summer. The next scheduled date is 9/12/09. Thereafter will take place the 1st Saturday of each month. Participants need to be in-district library patrons. December 4th is the Christmas Stroll. December 5th is the annual Gingerbread House making event. There may possibly be a Sunday session also if we have enough volunteers and supplies.
- 13) **Eagle Scout Library Project:** Jonathan H. presented an update to "Friends". He plans to build 3 cement benches outside the library. One bench will have a commemorative plaque for the library's 80th anniversary. He is also planning some landscaping. "Friends" gave him some helpful information as to some local nurseries for donations and quotes. Joan H. suggested he meet/speak with Wayne Jensen, Library Custodian. Jon plans to meet with the Library Board soon.
- 14) **New Business:** Book Sale Plans. Al G. is Team Leader for donations and shelf setup. Setup scheduled for Mon 8/17, 10am. Book sorting Mon-Thurs. Pre-Sale for "Friends" members to be held Thursday 8/20. Please bring light refreshments. Joan H. said 4 non-profit organizations are scheduled to make pickups of any leftover books after the sale. Any "Friends" interested in running the Book Sale next year, please let Joan H. know. There is a manual already setup for review.
- 15) **Other Business:** The next "Friends" meeting 9/10/09 7pm is the Annual Elections meeting. Terms which will expire include Bill Grabarek, President, Joan Hansen, Vice-President, Lori Crimmins, Treasurer, Judy Hinger-Borucki, Director. Please think about becoming a Director. We welcome you - please think about joining this most rewarding volunteer opportunity!
Joan H. announced the "Paper book Rack" is officially setup at the Elburn Metra Train Station. The rack was setup by Lynn Alms and holds 150 books. A sign is displayed, "Provided by the "Friends" of the Elburn Town & Country Library. Children's books are displayed at the bottom of the rack. While sorting at the Book Sale, some books will be saved for the train station. These books are given away free so readers can enjoy a book on the train. Anyone interested in being in charge of checking the rack and stocking it with paperback books, please let Joan H. know. The books will be stored in 2 boxes in the "Friends" storeroom by the refrigerator behind the coffee bar. Also, Marilyn Stamp is in need of a library "Friends" Bulletin board display volunteer to take over for her. Judy H. volunteered to help, however, a co-chair is also needed to share the job. Dorothy H. has an idea for the Cookbook display and will share her idea with the chairperson.
- 16) **Adjournment:** Jack H. motioned to adjourn the meeting, Judy H. seconded.
Joan H. officially adjourned the meeting at 7:56 pm.

**Important Dates – Mark your Calendars
Meeting Dates:** Sept. 10 (Annual), November 12, 2009

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BUY THE NEW COOKBOOK!

Respectfully Submitted
Concetta Hedrick, Secretary