

**Friends of the Town and Country Public Library
Minutes of March 19, 2015
Board of Directors**

- 1) **Call to Order:** Lori Crimmins called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
- 2) **Roll Call:** Directors Present: Lori Crimmins, President; Joan Hansen, Executive Vice-President; Bill Grabarek, Treasurer; Robert Harford, JoAnn Vanthournout, Jack Shallberg. Directors absent: Pat Schuberg & Tania Miller. Others present: Esther Steel, new resident and Lynn Alms, Library Director, and guest Gwen Johnson.
- 3) **Presentation to Friends:** Gwen Johnson of our library monthly Quilt Workshops donated a beautiful purple musical designed quilt for the Friends to raffle. She had samples of quilt fabrics and gave interesting highlights of the quilting workshop. Quilts are donated to Wayside Cross. Lynn suggested we raffle the quilt during the Adult Summer Reading program which we agreed.
- 4) **Approval of Minutes: 9-11-2014:** Bill G. motioned to approve minutes; Robert H. seconded; passed unanimously.
- 5) **Treasurer's Report:** Submitted by Bill G. Current balance today is \$2,265.13. Since September meeting, we received \$1,000 donation from Dunkin Donuts of Elburn.
- 6) **Donation to Library:** \$300.00 towards food and prizes for the Dewey Dash.
- 7) **Membership:** Chair, Bill G.; no update.
- 8) **Hospitality:** Chair, Joan H. said the Saturday morning coffee bar continues to be a popular meeting place for many "friends".
- 9) **Fundraising:**
 - Plant Sale:** Chair, Joan H., reported this will be our 12th Flower Plant sale, Mother's Day weekend. We will add 10" mixed combo hanging baskets for \$22.00 each. 55 Post card reminders will be mailed April 1. Robert will activate our website for online pre-ordering. The garden raffle, May 9 at 12 Noon, will include one of three prizes: a bucket of items donated by Friends, a quilt by Liz Graves, librarian and artwork by local artist Val Pieroni.
 - Book Nook:** We raised \$583 during the annual Christmas Book Nook.
 - Annual Elburn Days Book Sale:** Dates August 21 & 22.
 - 2016 Page A Day Book Lover's Calendars:** 60 ordered – same as last year @ \$3.00 each; free shipping. 25 were donated to our Homebound Patrons at Christmas.
- 10) **Comments Library Staff/Board:** Lynn, Liz Graves and Kathy Semrick will represent the library at the annual Fox Valley Literacy Trivia Bee, March 21. The Friends paid the \$400 fee. The theme is Star Trek and their team name is: "Nobel Gases". She reported the new roof will not likely be completed by the Dewey Dash, April 12. There will be a good supply of Elburn crocks available during the Dewey Dash and our Flower Plant sale. The \$\$ raised support the monthly genealogy programs and Elburn Historical Society. Due to the popularity of the adult flower craft workshops, additional events have been added for 2015. Lynn plans to retire by the end of February 2016. .
- 11) **Misc. –** Dorothy Hanson, Friends member, passed away December 19. *Supermarket Healthy* by Melissa D'Arabian purchased in her memory from Friends. .
- 12) **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m. by Joan H. and Bill seconded.

Respectfully Submitted
Joan Hansen, Acting Secretary