

Hampton Falls Friends of the Library Meeting Minutes for 12/5/18 Meeting

Present: Barbara Tosiano, Nancy Axelson, Judy Haskell, Donna Onacki, Deborah Reagan, Alisha Roberts, Jane Shanahan, Sheila Tanguay, and Judy Wilson Library Trustee

Absent: Susie Burke, Lisa Hayes

Minutes from the November 7th meeting were accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

We currently have \$10,823.62 in the bank after the check from the Poker Room in Lebanon was received. The discussion of how best to spend the money followed the treasurer's report:

Revisit the following museum passes –

1. Planetarium in Concord – \$300 for the pass. This allows 8 patrons per day in excluding shows.
Space is the theme for the summer 2019 reading program.
2. Boston Science Museum - \$700 for the pass. This reduces the rate to \$10/person. Many patrons ask if this pass is available. We will revisit this in spring.
3. Historic New England - \$125/year. They have 35 homes throughout New England available for visits. They have a Speaker Bureau and are available to come to Libraries to speak.
4. Currier and NH Children's Museum passes are up in February and the Wright Museum is up in the Spring. Barbara recommended renewing, but we'll revisit the vote as they come up.
5. Barbara has usage information on all passes and will take a closer look at them to inform future votes.

The Friends voted at the meeting to purchase the passes for the Planetarium and Historic New England.

Continuing Business:

1. Lebanon Poker Room
 - Weather we will or are able to participate at the Poker Room next year. Alisha will follow up and report back.
2. Naval Talk – 60 people attended.
3. Friends Database – Donna is working on it. Donna requested the electronic version of the original spreadsheet that was given to her at the November 7th meeting. Alisha is going to see if she has the electronic form and then email it to Donna.
4. Ramblin Richard is set to go for December 8 Saturday. Publicity is complete. No refreshments are necessary. Barbara has plenty left over refreshments from previous programs. Staff is available to set up for Saturday, however, if any of the Friends want to help, they can.
5. The Instapot cooking show with tasting is set to go with Lisa Kane on 1/16 (1/17 snow date). There's a 20 person limit. Barbara started the signup sheet.
6. Deborah updated us on the Ansel Adams event. He charges \$200 - \$300. The friends voted to Charge \$200 to keep in line with previous speakers who have charged. A date of 5/23 was set for this show. The Happiness talk was not pursued at this time.
7. The Library Brochure is ready for edit.

8. Judy Wilson was able to obtain a second backpack from George and Phillips at their cost of \$45. This is a Northface mountain backpack that is very rugged with many compartments suitable for hikes. Looks like this will be the hiking backpack and the one previously obtained from the Nature store will be the one used for the seacoast. She bought 2 binoculars online on Cyber Monday and will be reimbursed from our treasury by Alisha.

New Business:

1. Future programs – 2 friends of Debora's, Emery Hutchins and James Pendergast; musicians who combine Celtic and American Country music. They've performed at the Stratham PL and were very well received. The musical combination is interesting, and we'll pursue them for a future event.
2. Jane Shanahan will be filing the Annual Town Report which is Due January 3, 2019. Barbara and Alisha helped Jane gather information for the report.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30

Next meeting is Wednesday January 2, 2019!

Happy Holidays to all!

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Donna Onacki for Susie Burke