

Minutes of the Friends of the Hampton Falls Free Library

Date: Wednesday February 6, 2019

Present: Susi Burke, Lisa Hayes, Donna Onacki, Deborah Regan, Alisha Roberts, Jane Shanahan, Barbara Tosiano and Judy Wilson

Discussed:

1. January Minutes approved
2. Treasurers report
 - a. \$9988.76
3. Friends Database
 - a. Donna has created this in a google doc.
 - b. She will circulate this to see if everyone on list is still in town.
 - c. Need to be able to update so we will track this on a monthly basis
4. Instapot Demonstration
 - a. 23 people
 - b. Lot of fun
 - c. Good healthy recipes
5. Backpacks: Judy Wilson
 - a. Three Backpacks ready to go – seaside, hiking and birding
 - b. Lots of great stuff
 - c. Park passes on the way
6. Library Brochure Update
 - a. Completed
 - b. New book marks ready
7. Currier Museum Renewal: \$80
 - a. Expires end of March
 - b. Only worth half off instead of free
 - c. Approved for this year; will keep an eye out on usage
8. Wright Museum
 - a. \$125
 - b. Had good use
 - c. Free admission
 - d. approved
9. N.H Parks pass
 - a. Payment received
 - b. Pass is on the way
10. Historic New England
 - a. Paid but not received yet
11. McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center
 - a. This pass has been received and is being promoted
12. Ansel Adams program by Lance Hidy
 - a. May 9th is confirmed
13. Throwback Brewery Tasting fundraiser: Donna

- a. They would prefer to come to us
- b. Would need to get a liquor license
- c. Vendor has to pour but can't sell - at least this was true with Wine Tasting
- d. Donna will follow up and see if there is a charge
- e. Barbara will check with insurance company
- f. There are some vineyards around if this doesn't work (La Belle might be an option)

14. Other Future Programs:

- a. Researching your old house: Thursday March 7th, NH Preservation Alliance,
- b. Organic Gardening Companion Gardening: Thursday April 18th, Herb Farmacy, \$200 paid for by Friends
- c. Shaker Program: Saturday May 4th, paid for by New Hampshire Humanities
- d. Backyard Birds: Thursday June 6, booked, \$200, approved by Friends
- e. Sky Gazing: July 30th, NH Astronomy society, partner with Stratham Library, no cost. Ties in with Summer Reading Program
- f. Hurricane of 1938: Thursday Sept 12th, paid for by Historic New England
- g. Bears: Thursday Oct 17th, NH Fish and Game

New Business:

- 1. Seabrook Dog Track- New owners
 - a. Charity gaming: Should we apply?
 - b. Eureka Casino Resort – new owner from Mesquite Nevada
 - c. In newspaper discussing renovating it and looking forward to working with local charities
 - d. Deborah drafted a letter and will send it
 - e. Alisha will send email to Lebanon poker room as backup in case this doesn't work
- 2. Other New Business - Puppets requested by Carol
 - a. Looking for smaller puppets from Folkmanis
 - b. G Willikers give discounts to libraries
 - c. \$200 voted on and approved

Meeting adjourned: 7:30 PM

Next meeting: Wednesday March 6, 2019 at 6:30 pm

Action items:

- Donna: follow up with Throwback Brewery to see if there is a charge
- Barbara: check with insurance company about Beer Tasting requirements
- Deborah: send letter to Eureka Casino
- Alisha: send email to Lebanon poker room as backup in case Seabrook doesn't work out

Respectfully submitted,
Susi Burke, Secretary