

Friends of the Timothy C. Hauenstein Reynolds Township Library

Meeting Minutes for October 9, 2024

Members and Guests Present: Jan Malmo, Sue Bogardus, Pat Bauman, Sandy Saliers, Judy Parker, Dawn Christine, Sharon McInnis, Sharon Willett, Deb Behrenwald

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Jan Malmo at 10:05 a.m. after a moment of silence for those in the path of Hurricane Milton.

Approval of the Minutes: *Motioned by* Judy P. and *seconded by* Sandy S. to approve the September meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: All members received a copy of the most recent treasurer's report. There was a brief discussion regarding the amount of raffle tickets sold and \$ amt. A quick calculation showed \$1097 in ticket sales. Jan reported that that is the highest total in the past few years. *Motioned by* Deb B. and *seconded by* Sue B. to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Director's Report: Cheryl Smith reported

- Many upcoming programs and activities incl. Writing Club beginning again, Geology Club October 28th, Book Club/Review October 30th.
- The library will close early this Friday 11th, at 3:00 p.m. and opening late Monday, October 14th.
- Has purchased several items for the "Silent Auction" including twelve baskets totaling \$68.57. *Motioned by* Sue B. and *seconded by* Dawn C. for FOL to pay for silent auction items. Motion carried. Also discussed were payment options for those winning Silent Auction bids. The library uses "Square" for purchases w/ .50 cg. and if a credit card # is used the charge is \$3.00.

Book Review: The next book club will meet Wednesday, October 30th at 1:00 p.m. The book for review is "Tom Lake" by Ann Patchett.

Harvest Festival Quilt Raffle Wrap Up: As mentioned earlier, \$1097 in ticket sales with more to sell for Christmas Quilt. Jan has a sign-up sheet for ticket sales at Leppinks. Sales will be Fridays and Saturdays in November prior to December 7th drawing.

Festive Christmas Tree Challenge: Members were reminded of set up dates and the date for baskets to be completed. The voting will take place December 2-7. FOL members can begin to bring in items for the baskets and theme ideas were also discussed. *Motioned by* Sue B. and *Seconded by* Sharon W. to increase the registration to \$15.00 and prize categories will be – Friends Favorite \$100.00 and Community Favorite \$75.00. Cricket also noted continuing wagon rides and addition of fireworks. Thank you, Cricket, for all you do! Business donations were discussed, and the list of past contributing merchants were divided for FOL members to contact.

Bird House Art Prize: Discussion – The date is March 26th with the same speaker Greg Bodker who will present a different bird program for this year. Judges will be Sharon W., Dawn C., and Sherri from Giftery. The cost of materials for 30 birdhouses was discussed and the cost of purchasing a birdhouse may have to increase. No decision. Cheryl graciously volunteered Mike to pick up the materials. Thanks Mike!

Spring Friends Membership Gathering: Deb B. shared information from quilter Nancy Myers from Newaygo. She has done "Trunk Shows" showing her work and speaks on her history in quilting and some of the history of quilting. She will also provide favors of quilted coasters. Her cost is \$200.00. There was discussion regarding the information and cost. *Motioned by* Sue B. and *seconded by* Sharon W. to invite Nancy Myers to speak on quilting. Also, the date of April 23, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. was decided upon.

NEW BUSINESS

Michigan Library Appreciation Month – October. FOL members will show appreciation throughout the month by dropping off goodies at random times/dates. Noted, April 8, 2025 is National Library Workers Day.

OTHER

Adjournment: 11:40 am

Next Meeting: November 13th 10:00 a.m.