

Between Friends Newsletter
March 9, 2018

December 11, 2017, the executive committee met for the purpose of collecting advertising ideas in the community for FOL's fundraising events such as book sales and determining a budget for tangible purchases for the library.

Due to inclement weather, FOL met on Friday, January 12, 2018. FOL will purchase two sewing machines and six dozen wire book easels, three dozen black and three dozen white for the library. An invitation to Dancing with the Stars was shared. It is a charity event to be held at Warsaw Community High School PAC on February 17 at 7 pm. Friends of the Library has been selected as a charity and will be represented by dancers Chris Cage and Sarah Lipscomb. More information regarding ticket sales will be forthcoming. A possible fundraising idea, selling \$5.00 coupon books for Carson's Community Days was tabled until Fall. Potential names were suggested for two FOL Board of Director community business leaders to be named in February at the annual meeting. An overview of Virtual Reality was presented by Tyson Barnett, IT director, followed by member participation.

The FOL annual meeting was held February 5, 2018 immediately following clean-up from the book sale. Community business leaders Trevor Ross, VP and Personal Trust Administrator at 1st Source Bank and Chad Miner, attorney with Miner & Lemon, LLC were introduced and accepted as FOL Board of Directors after a member vote. They join Linda Campbell, Lorie Krygier, and Merri Bottorff, FOL members. Book sale profits were \$2,145.18. This included membership. The snack sales were deemed a failure and will not be used for future sales. It was too cold to set up outside of A-B and placement in the room was not advantageous. Walt Krygier was presented a Produce Award for going above and beyond the 'call of duty' this past year. Members were reminded to purchase a ticket to Dancing with the Stars and support FOL. A vote was taken re: virtual reality, revealing no opposition. This item will be placed on WCPL's Wish List at an approximate cost of \$2400.

Twenty-five were in attendance at the March 5, 2018 FOL meeting. Guest/member, Marlys Huffman was welcomed. A Saturday mini book sale will be held March 17. March 31, mini sale has been canceled due to low inventory and a book sale/ special event April 12. WCPL will be celebrating National Library Week, April 9-14 with planned events. FOL will supply Rise and Roll Donuts for library

staff on Tuesday, April 10, for Library Workers Day confirmed by a member vote. Thursday, April 12, Take Action for Libraries Day, FOL will be sponsoring Love-a-Book Cafe. A mid-sized book sale, coffee, tea, water and pastries by Hop Fly Bakes will be available for purchase. A special Blind Date with a Book section will added to the book sale under 'Don't Judge a Book by it's Cover'. A-B room set-up will be cozy and inviting using book décor, lanterns, old games, etc. A special corner for children with a few activities will be available. The April 21, Saturday mini sale is canceled. The next big sale is May 24-26.

Friends of the Library received a \$600. check from the Dancing with the Stars event for being selected as a represented charity. Three corporate sponsors have purchased an FOL membership, Times-Union, Bartel Printing, and 1st Source Bank Esther Pfleiderer Charitable Trust.

April 2, 2018, the next meeting date will be the Volunteer Appreciation Reception, “An Essential Piece”. Appetizers, awards, door prizes, and other surprises are planned to honor FOL's great volunteers. There will be something for everyone. Special guests have been invited and Times-Union, Dan Spalding will cover this first annual memorable event. A power-point presentation of the 2018 WCPL Wish List will be unveiled by FOL member and Library Director, Ann Zydek. This will be the highlight of the short business meeting. Please join Friends on this very significant day of recognition of the time our active volunteers contribute to Friends.