

FOL Quarterly Newsletter, July 2018 **"Between Friends"**

On April 2, FOL hosted the first annual Volunteer Appreciation Reception. Winners were Lorie Krygier for the most recorded volunteer hours for the past year and membership voted the Outstanding Service Award to Merri Bottorff. Recipients of the spring plant centerpieces were Linda Campbell, Shelly Heckert, Dan Spalding (Times-Union), Walt Krygier, and Robin Fosnaugh. Miner and Lemon, LLP was announced as a new Business sponsor. Attending were Board of Director members Chad Miner and Trevor Ross. Ann Zydek, Library Director and FOL member, presented the 2018 Library Wish List using power point.

Love-A-Book Cafe held on Thursday, April 12, was deemed a success, netting \$593.21 including book sales and pastries. Improvements were discussed for future endeavors. Polly Gabbett was blindly chosen as the winner of Rate Your Date in response to the Blind Date with a Book sales. Gabbett chose a free one year FOL membership. Saturday mini sales continue as profitable fundraisers.

Mother's Day was celebrated at the May 7 FOL meeting. Special treats and gift cards were given to lucky ticket holders Marlys Huffman, Sue Williamson, Melanie Martin, Cheryl Pittenger, and Sue Lane. Roxana Reffitt received a lovely hanging potted flower as the door prize. During the business meeting, membership voted approval for the immediate purchase of three line items from the Wish List; Jelly Box 3-D printer kit, depressible book cart, and five Makey Makey Invention kits. A new fundraiser, 'Libraries Rock' book sale, was introduced. It will be held on Tuesday, July 24, 12N-7:30 pm with a musical theme and decor celebrating the end of the Summer Reading Program. Included will be a mid-size book sale, art and craft sale and a Sweet Shoppe. In the evening at 6 pm, The Beaded Peacock will assist patrons with making a beaded necklace and or bracelet in a craft class held in Room C also sponsored by Friends of the Library. The cost is \$16 for one, or both for \$30. See WCPL website, Facebook or the Friends Facebook page to see a sample and sign up. Deadline is July 19.

Kati Rice, representing Triple R Marketing, was the guest speaker at the June 4 meeting. Promotional items using the FOL logo were discussed. Rice will return at the August 4 meeting with more definitive pricing for suggested items of potential interest. During New Business, Sue Williamson was given the Produce Award for her unfailing diligence, ability to work any position and hours of most need, just to name a few of her attributes, during the May book sale. A fun Father's Day celebration concluded the meeting with members munching on 'man food'. The women participated in a Trivia Jingle quiz while the men selected from white envelopes each containing a gift card with the same jingle and stickers to 'help out' with the clue. After the meeting, several enjoyed Virtual Reality set up in Room C assisted by Tyson Barnett and Anna Jackson.

A change in the Executive Committee was made in June. Roxana Reffitt resigned as Secretary due to ongoing health problems and family issues. After reviewing the Bylaws, a unanimous decision by the remaining EC members was to ask Bree Robinson. We are pleased to announce, Bree accepted the position of interim Secretary and will begin her duties with the August 4, meeting! One of the Benefits of Membership listed in the brochure is the opportunity for advancement, share ideas and talents. We look forward to working with Bree.

There will not be a July meeting. Creative organizers for the 'Libraries Rock' book sale have team meetings scheduled in the interim to ensure another successful fundraiser.

Happy 4th of July!

Merri Bottorff