

Friends of the Summerville Library (FOSL)
March 10, 2015

The monthly meeting of the Friends of the Summerville Library met on Tuesday, March 10, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

In Attendance:

Autumn Reid, President
Ellen Hyatt, Summerville Writers Guild Liaison
Harriet Little, Member
Cathy Coffee, Membership/Book Sale
Becky Westfall, Library Liaison
Carole Brier, Secretary
Anne Gleason, Treasurer
Carol Brummett, Vice President
Beverly Brockman, Member
Pamela Ward, Events/Fundraising
Mevelyn Williams, Member
Debbie Lodge, Member
Jo-Anne Wilhelm, Member
Linda Klein

Agenda:

1. President and Publicity reports (Reid)
2. Treasurer's report (Gleason)
3. Library Liaison report (Westfall)
4. Advocacy Committee (Rison)
5. Membership Committee report (Coffey)
6. Book Sale report (Coffey)
7. Fundraising/Events Committee (Ward)
8. Hospitality Committee report (Brummett)
10. Summerville Writers Guild Liaison (Hyatt)
11. Unfinished business (Reid)
12. New business (Reid)
13. Upcoming meetings/event dates
14. Adjournment

President's Report (Reid)

- The minutes were approved as distributed. Moved by Harriet Little: Seconded by Anne Gleason.
- This month's President's report is discussed with other committee reports.

Treasurer's Report (Gleason)

- Treasurer's report of income and expenses attached to these minutes.
- We paid Judy Watts \$603 for the books that she sold for the Literary Tea.
- We paid D.R.E.A.M. for the Summerville Booth rental. We prepaid for four months.
 - ✓ We were approved for the four months we selected for the booth rental, namely - March, April, August and October.

Library Report to Friends of the Summerville Library (Westfall)

Lives Change @ Your Library!

- The fifth article in the Summerville Journal Scene series “Lives Change @ Your Library” appeared in The Friday, February 27th issue. Ellen E. Hyatt has offered to write these monthly features for the library, highlighting a different way that the library impacts our community each month. Carol Brummett and her wonderful Saturday Story Time were featured this month, including an adorable photo.
- What a fantastic afternoon you hosted with Judy Watts! We have already sold some tickets for the next Literary Tea in May with Mary Alice Monroe.

Program Report:

- Spring story time registration began yesterday.
- We are busy gearing up for summer reading, ordering prizes and planning programs.
- Upcoming Programs:
 - ✓ March 20 – Teddy Bear Picnic – 11:30 am
 - ✓ Introduction to the Internet March 24th at 1 pm
 - ✓ April 7 – SC Bar’s Free Legal Clinic – Wills, Estates and Probate
 - ✓ Every Thursday afternoon 1-4 pm – E-Reader Assistance

Holiday Closing:

- ✓ Easter Sunday – April 5, 2015

Advocacy (Rison)

- Autumn received notification from Dr. David Rison to say that he regretfully must step down from Chair of the Advocacy Committee. He has agreed to assist in making the transition easier for the new volunteer. During the meeting, Autumn asked for a volunteer to fill the position. Debbie Lodge graciously agreed to accept that responsibility. We are delighted to have Debbie join the board in this position. A note will be written to Dr. Rison thanking him for his support of FOSL through the years. He will be missed.

Membership Committee/Book Sale (Coffey)

- \$95.00 in membership fees were received. Four renewals and two new members.
- No updates on the book sales.
 - ✓ Anne reported that the advertising expense of \$172.50 has been received, and paid.

Summerville Writers Guild Liaison Report (Hyatt)

1. Received copy (via email) of thanks for the donation and acknowledgment of Friends (Donation of \$100.00) from Jill Hendrix, Treasurer of Board of SC Academy of Authors.
 - ✓ Please see page 5.
2. I extend my gratitude to Friends and Rebecca Westfall who visited AUTHOR! AUTHOR! night (Thursday, Feb.19, 2015). I am not sure who else from the Summerville Writers Guild participated that evening, I do know you helped to make the evening lovely at People, Places, and Quilts where I was presenting and reading from the debut of some of my works, as collected in the book . . . OR WRAP OURSELVES IN WHAT REMAINS. Diane Frankenberger said she enjoyed seeing those who attended lingering in conversation in her shop.

As G.K. Chesterton wrote: "Gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder." I experienced both “happiness” and “wonder” and now share those with you. Thank you for your good words: good words to me and good words about the “wee” book.

Respectfully and joyfully submitted on Sun., March 8, 2015, by Ellen E. Hyatt, Liaison between the Friends of Summerville Library (“Friends”) and the Summerville Writers Guild (“SWG”)

Fundraising/Events Committee (Ward)

- **Judy Watts Event**

The literary tea event for **Judy Watts** was a huge success. We sold out of tickets which totaled 67. That did not include several of those who volunteered. The set up in the room for 70 or so women ran smoothly. Judy Watts was thrilled with the event. Pictures were taken by the Editor of the Journal and we had excellent coverage after the event. After payment to Judy for books sold and the food we prepared, we made \$500.00. Judy sold additional books the day of the event. A gracious thank you note was received from Judy Watts and read to the group.

- **Mary Alice Monroe Event**

The event for **Mary Alice Monroe at Cypress Gardens on May 17th at 3 pm is in full swing**. Tickets are on sale three ways. You may call Cypress by phone, buy on line at our website, or purchase your ticket at the library. The FOBCL (Friends of the Berkley County Library) will also be selling tickets. Remember that tickets are \$35.00 and include the full seated tea with Mary Alice, her signed book, and hopefully the butterfly house. If you buy tickets please list the number in your party and names so you can be seated together.

- **Volunteer Spot**

Volunteer Spot is up and ready for you to sign up for the event. There are several areas for you to volunteer. They include pre luncheon kitchen assisting, pre table settings, buffet table set up, clean up, and table hosts. Remember you will be able to attend for a discount.

- ✓ Autumn and Pam explained how to use Volunteer Spot.

- ✓ Pam discussed the tasks asked of volunteers.

- **A Literary Tea Series: Judy Watts Financial Report**

65 in attendance; 67 tickets paid for (2 were confirmed not attendance; therefore, we sold 2 additional tickets at the door).

67 tickets at \$20 each = \$1340.00 gross

67 books at \$9 each - \$603.00 paid to Judy Watts = \$737.00 net for ticket sales

Cost of food paid to P. Ward - \$227.07 = \$509.93

Cost of flowers purchased on debit by A. Reid -\$9.63 = \$500.30

- ✓ **Notes:** The average cost was \$3.49 per person for food and drink. Had we used an outside caterer, it would have cost upwards of \$8.00 per person for food and drink. Some of the food was donated. All of the linens, china, and utensils used were borrowed and/or donated for this event by several including A. Gleason, G. Masocco, C. Brummett, and P. Ward. No costs for advertising this time around as A. Reid provided all the printing. It was placed in the Summerville Journal Scene for as part of by E. Hyatt's article.

- ✓ On several occasions, Autumn unsuccessfully attempted to reach the ticker holder of one book. The book was donated to the Library.

- ✓ **Special Surprise Announcement!**

We are thrilled with the literary tea series so far and the possibilities in the future. Our announcement will explain about why we are so excited! We have been asked to facilitate an event by **Dorothea Benton Frank** in June. The Executive Board met and decided to accept the offer to be held approximately three weeks after the **Mary Alice Monroe** event. The cost of **Dorothea Benton Frank's** hardback book is \$18.00 as opposed to trade back books that run about \$9.00. Every ticket sold must cover the cost of the book plus overhead for the event. It was determined to use the facilities at Grace Lutheran Church on Trolley Road, the deposit has been

made. **Dorothea Benton Frank** will speak on June 14, 2015 at 3:00 pm at Grace Lutheran Church. The cost of the rental is \$175.00 and \$50.00 for use of the kitchen, this is the rate for nonprofits. 200 tickets will be offered for sale at \$40.00 each.

Next Meetings: Executive Board March 24, 2015 at 7pm (Panera); General Membership April 14, 2015 at 7pm in the Westvaco room at the Library.

Upcoming Dates:

- Third Thursday: (Music such as shag, jazz, etc.) – ? ; March. 19, 5-8pm, Hutchinson Square
- Third Thursday: Rescue Me – ?; April 16, 5-8pm, Hutchinson Square
- A Gigantic Book Sale: C. Coffey & A. Reid; May 1, 2, 3, American Legion Post
- A Literary Tea Series: M. Alice Monroe – Pamela Ward; May 17, 3pm, Cypress Gardens
- A Literary Tea Series: - Pamela Ward; June 14, 3pm, Grace Lutheran Church

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Carole Brier, Secretary
March 20, 2015

from: SCAA Treasurer SC2(C0u:ien:1yOfautlo'rsQPgrnall.cc,m
Subject: SCAA donation
Date: February 22, 2015 at 9:53 AM

To: Emailautumnreid@gmail.com
cc: eehyatt@ilOmesccom

Dear Ms. Reid,

Please convey our thanks to the Friends of the Summerville Library for your \$100 donation to the SC Academy of Authors. The donation will be recognized in the induction program under the Sustainer category. Please let your accountant know that The SC Academy of Authors is a registered, non-profit, tax-exempt organization.

Best Regards,
Jill Hendrix
SCAATreasurer