

## Friends of the Summerville Library (FOSL) Tuesday, May 9, 2017

The monthly meeting of the Friends of the Summerville Library met on Tuesday, May 9, 2017. Carol Brummett, President called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

### **In Attendance:**

Carol Brummett, President  
Cathy Coffey, Membership/Book Sale  
Mevelyn Williams, Secretary  
Kathy Marrah, Treasurer  
Ellen Hyatt, Liaison to SMR Writers Guild  
Beverly Brockman, Member  
Jennifer Smith, Children's Librarian  
Robert Antill, Dorchester County Library Director  
Nancy Nicodemus, Member-at-Large  
Sandra Baden, Member  
Rebecca Westfall, Member  
Anne Gleason, Member  
Harriet Little, Member  
Autumn Reid, Member

### **Agenda:**

1. President and Publicity reports (Brummett)
2. Treasurer's report (Marrah)
3. Library Liaison report (Smith)
4. Membership Committee/Book Sale report (Coffey)
5. Summerville Writers Guild Liaison (Hyatt)
6. Unfinished business (Brummett)
7. New business (Brummett)
8. Upcoming meetings/event dates
9. Adjournment

### **President's Report (Brummett)**

- April minutes were approved.
- Cathy Coffey will preside for Carol during the June meeting as Carol will be out of town.
- The library needed a new book cart so one was purchased with more flexible hard wheels. The upright weight limit is 250lbs.
- In response to the loss of Anne Gleason's mother, a card and a plant were sent to her.

### **Treasurer's Report (Marrah)**

- Monthly expense report for April was presented. Approved and filed for audit.
- Book sale proceeds of \$3200 were deposited. A very good month!

### **Library Liaison Report to Friends of Summerville Library –Jennifer Smith**

#### **Library News:**

- Leslie Koller, Adult I Librarian, has requested that FOSL pay for \$50 gift cards from Lowe's and Home Depot, not to exceed \$150. This was approved.
- Jennifer passed out a 'wish list' of items totaling about \$300 which would be for enhancing the children's projects. The motion to purchase the items was made by Becky and seconded by Harriet. The motion carried.
- In addition, the circulation desk is in need of a box fan and this will be added to the order and provided.

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Staff Report: Welcome to Robert Antill, the new director! We hope that he enjoys the position and we look forward to working with him to the betterment of Dorchester County and the library system!

Robert reports that he has met with the county administration folks and 2 deputy's regarding the law suit and they hope to be able to work thru those issues. Also, regarding the bonds – it is possible that the 1<sup>st</sup> issuance could be as early as July 12.

### Upcoming Programs:

- Wednesday s – Circle Time at 10:30 and Music and Motion at 11:30 and Therapy Dogs at 3:30
- Thursdays – Preschool Story Time at 10:30 and Tech Thursday at 1:00
- Fridays – Family Story Time at 11:30
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays – Teen Advisory Group at 2:00 and Board of Bookworms at 3:00
- Mondays – Summerville Chess Club at 5:30
- Tuesdays – Circle Time at 10:30 and Board Game Café at 3:30
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays features Color My World Adult Coloring at 1:00
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays – Makerspaces at 3:30
- 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays – Genealogy on the Internet at 1:00 and Teen Zone at 5:30
- 1<sup>st</sup> Mondays – Happy Birthday Author! Meeting at 3:30

### Membership and Book Sale Report – C. Coffey

#### **Membership:**

One new membership collected in April. Collected 13 renewals. \$185.00 in dues and \$20.00 in donations for a total of \$205.00 turned in at executive board meeting. During the book sale 1 new membership and 10 renewals were collected.

#### **Book Sale:**

Collected \$63.74 from Matthew Savage for consignment sales in April. Twenty FOSL members received their discount coupon for books purchased on Friday and Saturday. Gross income from book sale is \$4,532.80. (Thursday-\$238.50, Friday-\$2,299.50, Saturday- \$1,290.30, Sunday-\$704.50. Last year(2016), May sales were \$4,000.60. **Thank you to all the volunteers who made this sale possible!** There were 32 volunteers, several who worked more than one day. A special thank you to Karen Petros and Anne Gleason who do a fantastic job of sorting the books. The weather was great- NO RAIN. Some expenses to be deducted from the gross include ASH & T's(moving books), SIGNS ASAP (banner and road signs updating, Summerville Journal Scene (advertising). American Legion Post(building rent).

### Writer's Guild Report – E. Hyatt

1. The SUMMERVILLE JOURNAL SCENE ran our April 2017 item in the series "Lives Change @ Your Library" (Wed., May 3, p. B 10), as well as in the online edition. The article is about the Orchestra's programs at the library.
2. I have for you the program from the 2017 Induction Ceremony of the SCAA for the Friends' files. The Academy likes to make the authors' names available so that works by them can be made available to the community of readers to read and discuss. Particularly memorable this time were comments by two SC writers: Jim Hoagland of the WASHINGTON POST and historian Dan Carter. We are reminded by them that "journalism is the first draft of history," and how to learn to be "critical of [one's] culture without becoming a traitor to its best values," respectively. Seeing "Friends of Summerville Library" in the list of donors should give all of us warm satisfaction. Thank you for your caring, time, and attention.

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### **Mary Alice Monroe Tea – S. Baden**

A Southern Summer Tea with Mary Alice Monroe, 2 to 4 pm on Sunday, June 25, Grace Lutheran Church  
Save the Date Flyers have gone out. Tickets sales are brisk. The signup sheet for volunteers is being passed around.  
A reception at the library is being planned in August for Tony Bartelme's story, *A Surgeon in the Village*.  
In September, a reception is planned for Patty Callahan Henry, author of 7 books.

### **Upcoming Dates:**

- Dorchester County Library Budget Presentation, May 22 at 6:30 in St. George
- Executive Board, May 30, 2017 at 7pm, IHOP on Dorchester
- General Membership Meeting, June 13, 2017 at 7pm, Westvaco Room
- A Southern Summer Tea with Mary Alice Monroe, June 25, 2017 2-4pm, Grace Lutheran Church

### **Unfinished Business:**

The Nominating Committee has recommended Nancy Nicodemus to fill the President's position beginning in July. And so the vote was taken and we all gratefully welcome Nancy and look forward to her leadership even as we give heartfelt thanks to Carol Brummett for her dedication and commitment to the FOSL.

### **New Business:**

Carol will compile the 2016/2017 list of Accomplishments report. Please send her an email of items that should be included.

### **Announcements/ For the Good of the Order:**

Ellen has again supplied us with a moving thought:

"A happiness that is sought for ourselves alone can never be found; for a happiness that is diminished by being shared is not big enough to make us happy." Thomas Merton, American poet and author (1915-1968) – Associated Press

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Mevelyn Williams, Secretary

June 11, 2017