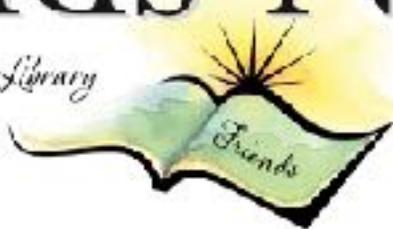


Friends News

Friends of the Town of Chester Library

Expanding Opportunities



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- Kathleen Rivers
 - Sharon Andrews

Meetings are held the 2nd Friday of each month from September to June, at 10am in the library. Everyone is welcome.

Membership

It's not too late to join or renew your membership in the Friends of the Library for 2018. Our ability to continue to support the library depends on our members. Your dues help fund programs, activities, books and new equipment for the library. We are also always seeking individuals who would like to become involved. Please indicate your interest when returning the membership form at the end of this newsletter.

Summer Book Sale

It is almost time for the Summer Book Sale at the Town of Chester Library.

The sale takes place on Friday July 13 from 9-3 and Saturday July 14 from 9-2 on the second floor of the Municipal Building at 6307 Route 9 in Chestertown, New York (exit 25 of the Northway). We have an excellent collection of novels by popular authors, Cook Books, History, Military, Western, Gardening, Romance, Mystery, Travel, Children and Young Adult. You will find a new section offering old, first edition, interesting and special books. The sale includes many Audio and video CDs, vinyl records as well as puzzles and games. Come and stock up for summer reading and amusement. At this Summer's sale we have a complete set of the 54 volume *Great Books of the Western World* available for a best price offer.

The sale is sponsored by the Friends of the Town of Chester Library. For information call 518-494-3584.

Winetasting and Silent Auction

Once again we express tremendous gratitude for the continued community support and our many faithful volunteers for a very successful event. We set a record for attendance at the May wine tasting at the Friends Lake Inn and had an extremely successful silent auction and raffle. A special thank you to Noelle McCrum, for her outstanding commitment to this event, as



well as thanks to the rest of our extremely hardworking committee.



Barbara Wilson Mural Dedication



On September 19, Barbara A. Wilson will be honored by The Friends of the Town of Chester Public Library at a dedication of the recently completed children’s room mural. The colorful mural was painted by Assistant Library Director, Wendy Joy-Hayes. Library patrons and Friends members know Wendy as the always friendly and helpful person at the front desk, but might not be aware that Wendy is also a skillful and imaginative artist, an accomplished musician and a very talented actress. On the passing of Barbara Wilson, the Friends of the Town of Chester Library commissioned Wendy to create a mural in Barbara’s memory. The inspiration for the theme of the mural is a tribute to Barbara’s work in entertaining children through stories.

Dennis Wilson, offered this brief bio about his late wife: “Born in Texas, Barbara was raised and educated in Illinois. In 1985, she and her husband Dennis relocated to Chester-town. She served sixteen years as an elementary school teacher in Indian Lake. After she retired in 2002, she became active with both the Chestertown Historical Society and the Friends of the Library where she served as president.”

“Barbara was involved in various library endeavors which included the organization of two award winning community programs and she was honored as Citizen of the Year by the North Warren Chamber of Commerce. She loved to dress up as Mother Goose and read stories to kids in the library and the elementary school. The Mother Goose figure in the mural was modeled after Barbara.”



Wendy’s mural is an outstanding work of art. The Friends and library staff are very grateful to her for her work and the ambiance it creates for everyone who uses the library. Further details about the dedication will be announced soon.

Other News

Museum Passes

The Friends have purchased discount or free passes for The Wild Center, Adirondack Experience and the Hyde Collection which can be checked out at the library.

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Turning Pages Book Club

The Friends sponsor a book club which meets the third Thursday of the month at 10:00 in the Library. We welcome new members and encourage you to come to a meeting to see what we are all about. The book for discussion is usually posted at the library.

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Adopt an Author - Pick your favorite author and agree to purchase their next work for the library which gives you the option of being the first to check it out and have your donation noted on a bookplate.

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Born To Read - Keep track of the books you read to your pre-school child and get a free book to start their home library.

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We are happy to announce that new member Kathleen Rivers has joined our board, replacing Nancy Blasdell, who will continue as one of our most valued volunteers. Many thanks to Nancy for her many years of service.

Chestertown Farmers Market

Please look for our weekly book sale Wednesdays at the Farmers Market in front of the Municipal Center on Main Street. Let us know if you would like to help out selling books. It is a great way to help, greet old friends and meet new ones at the market.

Friends Lecture Series

We had a wonderful response to our programs this past year and have a great line up for the coming year:

September 19, 2018

Joe Bruchac – “Native Americans in the Adirondacks”

October 17, 2018

Nina Schoch – “Adirondack Loons”

January 23, 2019

Greg Schaefer – “Ride Up Slide Down”
Early skiing in the Gore Mountain Region

February 21, 2019

Joan Collins – “All About Birds”

Lectures are held on Wednesday evenings at 7pm in the library.

Free Summertime Children’s Programs

Magic! * Puppets! * Animals!

518-494-5384 for information



Thursday July 12 – 2pm or 3:15pm

Planetarium Adventures
Exploring the Solar System
Sign-up required - 494-5384

Thursday July 19 – 2pm

Magic Workshop
Sign-up required - 494-5384

Thursday July 19 – 3pm

Magic Show with Jim Snack

Thursday July 26 – 3pm

River Jack Mikey D - A Family Concert

Wednesday August 9 – 3pm

Puppet People
Goldi-Rocks! and the 3 Bears

Thursday August 16 – 3pm

Exotic Animals from Around the World
With Joe Bliss III

Wednesday August 1 – 10:30am

Make a Musical Instrument
At the Horicon Library
Sign-up required - 494-4189

Thursday August 2 – 3pm

Give and Take Jugglers /Eric Beltzer

Join the Friends of the Library for 2018

We sincerely thank all of our members who supported the Friends of the Town of Chester Library this past year. Your commitment helped our library provide up-to-date best selling books, newspapers, magazines, DVDs for all ages, computer and internet access, children's programs, special events and much more. As a Friends member you are playing an important role in supporting a vital community resource. We look forward to your continued membership in our organization and we welcome our new members!



Annual Membership - July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

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Email _____

Local Address _____

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\$10 Individual _____ \$15 Household _____ Donation \$ _____

Interested in volunteering? Indicate where you might be willing to help:

___ Book Sales ___ Farmers Market ___ Programs ___ Fund Raising



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Thank You!