

Depauville Free Library
Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 5, 2017

Meeting called to order at 5:03 p.m.

Attendance: Tresa Forkey, Amber Forkey, Linda Brewer, Gail Egeressy, Karen Lago, Phil Pond, Keitha Haas, Jan Larrow, Deb Rantanen, Theresa Gallup. Peggy Foresman, Leading The Way Dog School, guest.

Guest: Peggy Foresman – Peggy discussed her background, dog training business and the various types of competitions for which she trains. Discussion ensued about the logistics for her participation in DFL's upcoming Summer Squeeze. Peggy will: 1) demonstrate show basics for beginners, 2) bring agility equipment, and 3) bring a training video. A fundraising event for 2018 at Peggy's property was proposed. Preliminary plans discussed include:

- an all-day event (10-4)
- admission price approx. \$10 for participants; no charge for spectators
- concession stand
- date – maybe one or two weeks before Clayton Dock Diving Dogs competition

August minutes approved by Jan, seconded by Theresa G.

Objective: Technology

Utilize technology to provide efficient, effective service.

- A. Develop and implement an annually reviewed and updated Library Technology Plan.
- B. Investment in technology will be a part of the budget.
- C. Karen noted 2017 investments: new printer, USBs distributed, new patron computers

Treasurer's Report: Bank Balance 9/1: \$24,612.42

Major Expenses (excluding salaries and books): \$1725 (Toshiba printer), \$1440 (Tory Carpenter for August RR), \$375 (Marc Black performance).

Income: \$1495 (LLSA Funding), \$75 RR donation from the Garretts), \$50 (Marc Black), \$13 (2nd Saturday Cinema)

Director's Report

August Program Attendance

Story Times here and on the road with Anita & Suzzi (7)	58
CAPC Lunches	123 (Ashley was great)
Library Board Meeting	9
Reading Recovery	99
CNY Alzheimer's Association session	6
Summer Science Digest: Emily Sheridan	32
George Brabant on Permaculture	13
Second Saturday Cinema: Animated Shorts	14
Model Railroad Club	14 (Christmas theme for Dec. w/ Open House. Beginning 9/28 will meet weekly on Thurs)
BB Crafters	3
Town Board Meeting	24
Marc Black Performance	45
Writers Group	6

August Facebook Stats

Likes	Posts	Reach	Engaged Users
392	36	6243	412

Upcoming Programs / Events:

9/2	Sidewalk Art in the Village of Clayton
9/16	SUMMER SQUEEZE: Pickle, Jam, and Pie, 10am / Betty Streets Writing Contest ... "Future Me" /Sci Tech Center Show, 11am /Shredcom, 11-1/ Perennials Sale & Bake Sale, 10am / Grilled Hot Dogs, Noon/ Peggy's Dog Obedience, 12 pm
9/21	Alzheimer's Assoc: Living with Alzheimer's: The early stage, 3-5pm
10/10	Alzheimer's Assoc: Living with Alzheimer's: The middle stage, Part I, 3-5pm
10/14	Wilson Stevenson, 1pm-3pm
10/14	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: Federico Fellini's <i>Amarcord</i> , 7pm
10/21	International Archaeology Day ... Ken Knapp is penciled in...
10/25	Alzheimer's Assoc: Living with Alzheimer's: The middle stage, Part 2, 3-5pm
11/8	Alzheimer's Assoc: Living with Alzheimer's: The late stage, 3-5pm
11/11	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: Michel Ocelot's <i>Tales of the Night</i> , 7pm
11/16	Thanksgiving craft activity with Joyce Gould, time?
12/9	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday
12/14	Christmas Cards with Joyce Gould, 6-8pm

Unfinished and Old Business

Fran Ludlow came in again on July 11 to look at the windows and will be calling Northern Glass that now carries Farley Windows regarding replacements parts to repair the spread and sashes.

Our request for \$13,000 (\$7,000 for metal railing and \$5,000 for sign) is being held until 2018. History: DFL made initial request for \$13,000 on 9/22/16 and then resent request to Watertown office's Sarah Compo on 10/20/16.

Inventory of Library property: Jan created a video and Excel inventory; replacement values need to be found.

Historic Marker for Indian pathway on corner of Route 12 and Route 179 Catskill Castings price: \$1200. "Native Pathway: Junction of trails travelled by indigenous tribes between Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River for many millennia". The marker is on hold for now.

There is more interest in getting Depauville's suffrage petition on the State's Women's Heritage Trail. Per Karen, Michael Lynch forwarded information to Emilie Gould with a picture of the Vincent homestead (she was one of the signers of the petition). Both Michael and Emilie were very interested.

County funding through School Districts may not be going anywhere, but NCLS is contacting Hawn re another go around for an equitable split of Jefferson County taxes coming back to the Town's 2 libraries.

We purchased the 4 inch rain gauge recommended by Todd Walter and White's Lumber donated the post and metal spike needed to put it up. It is still not installed. HELP!! I would like to begin a small campaign promoting participation in this as well as seeking citizen scientists to also take part in bird counts, finding mineral and archeological sites using online satellite images, and reporting mineral deposits found locally.

No movement on the possibility of getting Internet Hot Spots offered by library from funding from the Smart Schools Bond Act.

New Business

Anita is scheduled for shoulder surgery on September 14 and worked her last day on 8/30. She will have her Post-op appointment on 9/26 and will know then how much longer she will need to remain off. During her absence, Suzzi will work all of Anita's hours.

Installation of the equipment for the fiber optic connection is now being scheduled by Syracuse Utilities (DANC's installer) ... maybe as early as this week. Town Arena crew opened path to a dedicated outlet that is in the closet next to where the FO equipment will be located so we are ready.

SUMMER SQUEEZE ASSIGNMENTS! TABLES: Plants, Bake Goods (Amber following-up with donations), Merchandise (flash drives, history books, cinch sacks, Frisbees). **STATIONS:** Grilling hot dogs, Shredding, Pickle and Jam, Pie, Sci Tech, Dog Obedience.

**Shurfine donation of hot dogs and rolls

**\$20 gift card from Hannaford for snacks, mustard, ketchup

** 4 cases of bottled water donated by Kinney Drugs in Clayton

** C V Correctional Facility's horticultural unit donated 30 coleus plants and 4 hanging geraniums

Status of Old PCs and equipment. The old printer is currently on Craig's List. Jan will sell the 3 new toner cartridges on eBay. Board agreed that we should try to find places to donate the 8 old PC's.

Renting the Opera House for our events? There are a couple of DFL events that could draw more people if they were held in a larger venue. Per Theresa G., work is in progress to set a rental price specifically for non-profits.

Board Photo?

EVENTS IN THE WORKS

Susannah Risley for writers workshop in 2018. Per Karen, she is hesitant to commit to just one night.

Dock Dogs at Peggy Foresman's - see earlier discussion

Civics Class

Chair Caning (Deb)

Tresa's program ideas

New Event Ideas –

- Theresa suggested a Paint and Sip event. Consensus is that DFL should focus on things not commonly done elsewhere; however, if there are enough interested people perhaps we can pursue it.
- Deb Rantanen introduced a video streaming service called Kanopy that is often available to libraries and universities for free. The service carries many classic and obscure films that are not available elsewhere. Karen will check it out to see if it's a viable option for the library.

Next Meeting is Tuesday, October 3 at 12:30.

Theresa Gallup made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Jan. Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.