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Friends of the Adams County Library System — January 2021

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President's Message

by Sharon Graff

Happy 2021 to everyone!

I would like to start the year on a positive note and write about the valuable good work of our Friends volunteers. With the opening of our Friends Book Store in October, many volunteers stepped forward and scheduled times for covering the store, keeping the shelves stocked and assisting customers in book sales. Business has been good with hopes of increasing sales in the new year.

Also, behind the scenes are many Friends volunteers working diligently in preparation for the summer book sale by sorting and packing donated books that are stored in the Library's garage. Our goal is to schedule another sale in mid-summer, keeping in mind safety precautions for all volunteers and customers. Stay tuned for more details as the time approaches.

The Friends officers, committee chairs, and members-at-large have been volunteering many hours, in cooperation with the Library staff, to continue planning for creative fundraising activities, corresponding with FOL membership, an encouraging membership support.

In addition to monetary donations, the time donated by our volunteers continues to be a valuable and powerful asset in our mission to support ACLS. Beginning in January, all of the Friends volunteers will be tracking their hours of donated time. This concrete data will be added to the Library's statistics of volunteers. The information is important for advocacy efforts by demonstrating that we have a team of dedicated people who believe in our mission, and validating that their efforts are valuable and appreciated, thus helping to retain and attract more people to join our volunteer team. The efforts of all volunteers improve our programs and strengthen the Friends organization in developing short and long-term goals.

Currently, we are recruiting volunteers for the following vacant positions: Vice-President, Summer Book Sale Coordinator, Volunteer Coordinator, Fundraising Coordinator and Newsletter. For anyone who is interested in joining our team please contact me at sharon.graff@hotmail.com or call 717-339-6070.

BY-LAWS

Friends of Adams County Library System, Inc.

ARTICLE I: Name and Purpose

Section 1. The name of this organization, hereafter referred to simply as "Friends of the Library", shall be Friends of the Adams County Library System, Inc.

Section 2. The purpose of this organization shall be:

- To encourage membership and to maintain an association of people interested in Library development.
- To support state library and friends of the library organizations in achieving improved library services throughout Pennsylvania.
- To stimulate gifts to the Library, including endowments and bequests.
- The Friends shall be related as an auxiliary group to the Board of Directors of the Adams County Library System, Inc.
- To organize fundraising projects to provide funds for the ACLS and to operate a Library Store.

Section 3. The Friends shall be a non-profit organization.

The following is organizational language required by the IRS for affiliation with Pennsylvania Citizens for Better Libraries, the State Friends Organization:

This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of section 507(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of or distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under section 507(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under section 770(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

Upon winding up and dissolution of this corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligation of the corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, and/or scientific purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under section 507(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE II: Membership, Dues, and Fiscal Year

Section 1. There shall be 3 classes of membership: (a) Student/Senior Member, (b) Regular Member, and (c) Lifetime Member. The annual contribution for such membership shall be recommended by the Board of Friends of the Library for approval during a monthly meeting.

Section 2. Annual contributions are payable during the fiscal year.

Section 3. The fiscal year shall be from January 1 to December 31 of each calendar year.

ARTICLE III: Officers – Their Election and Duties

Section 1. Officers:

The officers shall be a president, vice-president, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, treasurer and historian. They shall be elected for one-year terms and elected at the annual meeting.

Persons wishing to be considered for serving as an officer should express a desire to the Board at least one month prior to the Annual Membership Meeting.

In the event that there is more than one person seeking a single office, a notice of such an event will be given to the membership one month prior to the Annual Membership

Section 2. Duties:

President – Shall preside at all meetings and appoint all standing and special committees. Shall perform all duties usually pertaining to the office of president and shall have the power, with the approval of the Board, to fill all elected vacancies for the remainder of the unexpired terms.

Vice-President – Shall assist the president and, in the absence of the president, shall perform the duties of the president. Shall also serve as program chairperson for the annual meeting.

Recording Secretary – Shall keep correct minutes of the proceedings of all meetings and shall be the custodian of all records excepting such as are specifically assigned to others.

Corresponding Secretary – Shall conduct the correspondence of the organization.

Treasurer – Shall receive all dues and be the custodian of all monies of the organization. Shall deposit all monies in a responsible manner and shall pay all bills authorized by the Board. Shall submit a report at each duly constituted meeting.

Historian – Shall keep a record of all published material in permanent form.

ARTICLE IV – Committees

Section 1. The Board shall consist of the elected officers, the chairpersons of the standing committees (or their designated alternates), At-Large members and Emeritus. The Trustees of the Library (or designated representative) and Library Director (or a designated representative) shall be non-voting members. The Board shall have the power to transact all business arising between annual meetings of the organization.

Section 2. The standing committees shall be membership, publicity, volunteer coordinators (Friends Bookstore, book sales), newsletter, and fundraising.

ARTICLE V – Meetings

Section 1.

The Annual Membership Meeting shall be held in November. The Board shall meet before each Annual Meeting and at other times by call of the president after notification of all Board members.

Section 2. Board Meetings:

A quorum shall consist of any number present after due notice of the meeting has been given.

A majority of those present is sufficient to pass any motion.

ARTICLE VI – Finance

Section 1. All income of the Friends, excluding the nominal operating expenses, shall be used for the benefit of the Library.

Section 2. The treasurer's books shall be audited or reviewed by a CPA or Public Accountant as required by State Registration. At the Annual Meeting, the CPA's report would be available for anyone to read. Also, at this meeting the treasurer shall give a brief summary of the audited report in addition to a current year-to-date report.

ARTICLE VII – Procedure for Amending By-Laws

Amendments to these by-laws may be made by a majority vote of the Board at any regular or special meeting provided that due notice of the proposed change is given to the members and is stated in the notice of meeting given to the Board. A quorum of a simple majority of sitting Board members will be required.

ARTICLE VIII – Parliamentary Authority

All procedures, duties, etc. not covered directly in these By-laws should follow the form prescribed in Robert's Rules of Order.

Approved 12/12/20

Welcome back, Friends Volunteers!!!

by Laura Goss, Executive Director

The Adams County Library System staff is thrilled to welcome back the many Friends of the Library volunteers. It is wonderful to actually see all of the volunteers again, mask-face to mask-face!

The Friends Bookstore is open once again! After a gangbuster reopening sale in October, a busy fall season and a quick "vacation" during the Christmas and New Year holidays, the Book Store volunteers are back in business.

And in the garage...the dedicated volunteers who sort books for the book store, the summer book sale and scan books for possible listing on Amazon are working hard several mornings each week to whittle away at the mountains donated books, audio books and dvds.

Do you know about the Surprise Story Stacks available to children of all ages? Visit the Children's page on our website or call the branch of your choice to request a bag of books and other surprises for the children in your life. The wonderful staff will choose a stack of stories that will interest your child, add a surprise and put the checked-out items in a big brown bag with your name on it for quick pickup.

Adults can ask for a similar service by filling out the "What should I read next?" form on the webpage or calling a library. The staff will send a list of titles and authors to you via email, but I have also heard that they'll place these items on hold, gather them up and let you know when they are ready for you to pick up!

All six of the ACLS branches remain open for library pick up, in-person browsing and computer at our regularly scheduled hours. You can check the ACLS website, www.adamslibrary.org for hours or call a branch for assistance. Gettysburg (717-334-5716), Carroll Valley (717-642-6009), East Berlin (717-259-9000), Biglerville (717-677-6257), Littlestown (717-359-0446), New Oxford (717-624-2182).

Please visit us soon.

MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE

by Elizabeth Lynch

Thank you so very much to everyone who renewed their Friends of the Library membership in 2020!

Your membership expiration date is in the upper right corner of the mailing address label on this newsletter. If you didn't get around to renewing your membership yet, please don't forget to send in your membership dues.

NOTE: You now can join or renew on the Adams County Library System website, using your credit card. (Handy if you run out of stamps.) And, if you join at the Lifetime Member level, you never have to remember to renew!

Membership dues are an important part of Friends of the Library revenue, which supports our wonderful library system. Members get to stay in touch with the Friends through the newsletter, and get a 20% discount in the Bookstore!

Thank you for supporting the Friends of the Library!

NEW LOOK/NEW PRICES!

by Michele DeLacy

Goodbye to 2020 and a grateful hello to 2021 and along with the new year the FOL book store has a new look and new prices. Please stop in to see the relocated children's section which has a colorful, padded floor covering and more room for the kids to choose and peruse their next book. Also, we have been moving books down from the top shelf and up from the very bottom shelf to ease the strain on the eyes and backs of our patrons.

The revenue the book store generates is of great importance to the FOL and our library so please stop in soon to find your next great read or you might be lucky enough to find a jigsaw puzzle.

We are again accepting donations which can be brought to the rear of the building. We hope to see you soon!

BOOK STORE PRICE LIST	
FICTION	
Hardback	\$2.00
Trade	\$1.00
Small Paperback	\$.50
WAR BOOKS/HISTORY	AS MARKED
COOKBOOKS	
Hardback	\$2.00
Soft Cover	\$1.00
BIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR	\$1.00
TRAVEL	\$1.00
CHILDREN'S	
Hardback	\$1.00
Soft Cover	\$.50
DVDS	\$1.00
MISC.	AS MARKED
CDS	\$.50
PUZZLES	\$1.00



Join the Friends of the Adams County Library System

Membership Application/Renewal

Friends of the Library Members receive a 20% Discount at the Friends Store

Because I believe that the Adams County Library System is essential to our communities, I am enclosing my donation to become a member of the Friends in support of the Library.

\$20 Student/Senior Member

\$30 Regular Member

\$300 Lifetime Member (never have to remember to renew!)

\$____ Other

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

Let's be Friends! Keep in touch with us!

Phone: _____ EMAIL: _____

The Friends have lots of volunteer opportunities! I'd like to Help the Friends!

Staff Book Store Sort Used Books Work Book Sale Fundraising & Special Member Events

I have a special talent that might be helpful. Let us know! _____

I'm interested in serving on the Friends Board, please contact me

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