

FRIENDS OF THE GRAND ISLAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY
MEETING AGENDA - January 19, 2023, 6:00 pm

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome Guests; Recognition/Thanks
3. Approve Minutes: November 10, 2022
4. Correspondence
5. Reports
 - a. Treasurer - Nancy Vizzi

 - b. Membership - Jan Yardley

 - c. Book Sorting - Marie Volpe

 - d. Book Sale Room - Charlotte Senulis
6. Library Director Report - Bridgette Heintz

7. Library Trustee Report - Jill Banaszak

8. New Business
 - a. Friends Brochure Draft
 - b. Book Store Loyalty Card
 - c. Volunteer of the Year
 - d. Annual Meeting Date and Program
 - e. Donated Book Sale: Set-up, Thursday April 13 Chairperson -
Friends Members, Friday, April 14 Chairperson -
Open to the public, Saturday, April 15 Chairperson -

9. Ongoing Business
 - a. Book Club
 - b. Growing Readers Initiative
 - c. Friends Facebook/Webpage
 - d. Royal Oak Paper Retriever

10. Next Meeting Date: Thursday, March 9 @ 6pm

11. Roundtable
12. Adjourn

**FRIENDS OF THE GRAND ISLAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES January 19, 2023**

Board Members Present: Mary Cooke, Richard Smythe, Nancy Vizzi, Phyllis Galie, Russ Person, Jill Banaszak , Carol Manning, Jan Yardley, Joyce Thornton, Marie Volpe, Charlotte Senulis

Library Director: Bridgette Heintz

Call to Order: 6:00 PM by Mary Cooke.

Approval of Minutes: Phyllis made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 10, 2022 meeting, seconded by Jan. All were in approval.

Correspondence: None to report.

Reports:

Treasurer: Nancy reported our checking account balance is \$2,312, We have \$10,256 in savings. Expenses for Nov/Dec were \$1,346 for tables for book sales and programs, and \$317 for Italian cooking class costs and fees. The Treasurer's report has been received, reviewed, and filed for audit.

- a. **Membership:** Our membership list is current, and Phyllis will use it to plan for the next book sale. Thanks to Jan for all the effort involved in updating the list.
- b. **Book Sorting and Book Sale Room:** Donations are being accepted and either boxed or shelved. The storeroom shelves will be again available for use when the children's area reconfiguration is complete. Russ suggested changes to the book sorting categories. These will be implemented after the April book sale. Marie will assist Russ with the changes.
- c. **Director's Report:** Bridgette reported.
 - The new hours for 2023 were discussed.
 - We netted \$444 at the 2022 Discard Book Sale. Purchases from last year's Wish List notebook will be made starting next month.
 - Goals for this year include funding the Terry Klaaren mural in the Children's Area, concrete work around the North (parking lot) entrance, and bollards to help protect our new doors. Any extra funds will be used for improvements to our phone system.
 - A handout was distributed listing ongoing and outreach activities and programs scheduled for next year.
 - The first meeting of the Reading Garden committee was held on 11/28/22 to discuss first steps and possible layout. Included in the discussion was a possible Little Free Library incorporated that is stocked by the Friends and a possible second Little Free Library at the WNY Welcome Center. Nancy will follow up with the Welcome Center and report back at our March meeting. Russ suggested using this as a project for the Eagle Scouts and will follow up.

FRIENDS BOARD MEETING MINUTES January 19, 2023 (continued)

d. Trustee's Report:

- Jill reported the Trustees continue working on the library 5-year plan. Their next meeting will be on February 9th.

Ongoing/New Business:

- a. The draft of the **Friends brochure** was reviewed. Brigette will make the suggested revisions.
- b. The draft of the **Book Store Loyalty card** was reviewed.
- c. Jill suggested we do another **bag raffle** with the winner to be announced at the annual meeting. She offered to coordinate the project and asked for \$100 for 4 bags and supplies. A motion was made by Nancy and seconded by Joyce to approve these funds. All were in approval .
- d. **Volunteer of the Year** applications should be submitted to Mary by March 15th.
- e. **The Annual Meeting** will be held on May 4th, 23rd or 25th based on speaker availability. Richard is going to follow up with Mary Kate O'Connell for possible programming.
- f. **The next donated book sale** will be April 13 (set-up), Friends' sale Friday, April 14 and open sale Saturday, April 15th. Russ will chair Thursday and Friday and Phyllis will chair Saturday.
- g. **The next Book Club** selection will be Lincoln Highway. Meetings will now be the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6PM.
- h. **Growing Readers Initiative** – nothing new.
- i. **Friends Facebook/Webpage** – we will re-evaluate our options for using this.
- j. **The Oak Paper Retriever** continues to be a good vehicle for recycling donations.

Round table:

- Russ is now a member of the Library Trustees.
- Carol suggested we explore having a hot dog fundraiser. She will follow up with John Bargnesi, our county legislator.

Nancy made a motion, seconded by Joyce, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM.

The next meetings of the Friends will be on Thursday, March 9th at 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Charlotte Senulis

FRIENDS OF THE GRAND ISLAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY

TREASURER'S REPORT

AS OF 12/31/2022

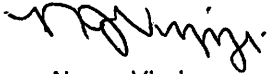
Expenses for Nov/Dec:

Tables for Book Sales and Programs	1,346
Italian Cooking Costs/Fees	317
<i>Nov 7, 2022</i>	

Bank Balances:

Checking	2,312
Savings	<u>10,256</u>
Total	12,568

Respectfully Submitted,



Nancy Vizzi

Treasurer

Friends of the Grand Island Memorial Library Board Meeting

January 19th 2023 @ 6:00 pm

Library Meeting Room

Director's Report

Director's Report

- New hours for 2023: I'm open for questions.
 - Regular Hours
 - Mondays Closed
 - Tuesdays 9:30-8:00
 - Wednesdays 9:30-5:00
 - Thursdays 9:30-8:00
 - Fridays 9:30-5:00
 - Saturdays 9:30-5:00
 - Summer (between Memorial Day and Labor Day)
 - Mondays 9:30-5:00
 - Tuesdays 9:30-8:00
 - Wednesdays 9:30-5:00
 - Thursdays 9:30-8:00
 - Fridays 9:30-5:00
 - Saturdays Closed

- Jan-April 2023 Library Event Calendar

- Library Improvements:
 - Children's Area: next week we will be changing the layout of this area to accommodate the families and make a bigger open area for them to use. Thank you Friends for temporary use of the book sorting shelves for this project.
 - Goals for this year:
 - Terry Klaaren mural in the Children's Area this summer. The Friends approved \$2000 for this project at the 8/25/22 meeting. More will be reported as we move forward.
 - Concrete work around the North (parking lot) entrance in the spring: second part of current NYS Library Construction Grant project
 - New phones: any funds left from the Senator Ryan Grants in Aid money

- Oct 2022 Discard Book Sale Proceeds: \$444 made. Funds were approved for collection development purchases at the 1/12/23 Library Board Meeting. Purchases from last year's Wish List notebook will be made starting next month.

- Another cooking classes with Sal and Linda: funding was approved at the 11/10/22 Friends meeting, but they asked to talk more about doing another one in the spring due to their current availability. Stay tuned.
- Donated Book Sale: 4/13/23 (set up), 4/14/23 (Friends sale), 4/15/23 (general sale/take down)
 - Possible bag raffle again??? The last one was successful.
- Discard sale: discuss possible dates or table until the next meeting on 3/9/23.
- Reading Garden: in memory of Trustee Richard Earne. The Reading Garden committee had their first meeting on 11/28/22 to discuss first steps and possible layout. The next meeting date is TBD, but most likely will be in early March.
 - Possible Little Free Library incorporated that is stocked by the Friends? - Discussion
 - Possible second Little Free Library at the WNY Welcome Center as a library marketing tool – discussion
- Brochure: see draft - discussion
- Stamp card: see draft – discussion
- Volunteer of the Year - discussion

Respectfully submitted,
 Bridgette Heintz
 Director
 Grand Island Memorial Library

Friends Membership Card Benefits

- Buy two items , get one free at the Book Store
- Friends Member Nights at the Donated Book Sales.
- Receive a punch card good for free books after 10 purchases made in the Book Store.
- Entries into special Friends-sponsored raffles.

Benefits are subject to change.

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*Connecting our diverse community
with library resources that enrich,
enlighten and entertain.*

Grand Island Memorial Library
1715 Bedell Rd. Grand Island, NY 14072
716-773-7124

Library Hours

Monday & Thursday 9:30-8:00
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday
9:30-5:00

About the Friends

The Friends augment the services rendered to the community by the Grand Island Memorial Library by developing and promoting activities which are in harmony with library philosophy; to promote fuller understanding and appreciation of the functions of the library in the community and the materials, services and facilities offered; raise and disburse money for use in the expansion and improvement of the services, materials, equipment and physical plant of the library.

-Friends of the GIML Constitution, Article I

The Friends are also responsible for stocking and running the Book Store and Book Store shelves located on the main floor of the library.

They also run the annual Donated and Discard Book Sales.

All proceeds benefit the Grand Island Memorial Library.

Material donations are accepted during open hours unless otherwise noted.

Please call 716-773-7124 for more information.

Programs We've Sponsored in 2022

- Monthly Adult Book Club
- Cooking Demos with Linda & Sal
- Art Appreciation
- Local author talks
- Trunk or Treat
- Donated Book Sale
- Discard Book Sale
- Childrens Program supply funding including Itty Bitty Story Time and Preschool Story Time

Library Improvements We've Funded

- computer chairs in 2020
- window blinds in 2020
- north entrance benches in 2022
- meeting room tables in 2022
- collection development funding - every year

Future Projects - 2023

- Reading Garden collaboration
- Children's Area mural



FRIENDS OF THE GRAND ISLAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOOK STORE LOYALTY PUNCH CARD

Get a free book from the book store after your 10th visit with a purchase!



GRI Events January - April 2023

**TBD = to be determined.

Either a change to the program is in the works,
or a funding request is pending.**

Ongoing

Book Club: New Day/Time for 2023

meets monthly on second Tuesdays @ 6:00pm

1/10/23 – *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict

2/14/23 – *Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles

3/14/23 – *Lessons From the Edge* by Marie Yovanovitch

4/11/23 – *The Fallen Architect* by Charles Belfoure

Read to a Dog (SPCA Therapy Dogs): Saturdays 1:00-3:00 pm

1/14, 2/11, 3/11, 4/8

Itty Bitty Toddler Time (ages 0-2 years): New Day for 2023

Thursdays 10:00-10:30 am

2/9, 2/16, 2/23, 3/2

4/6, 4/13, no class 4/20, 4/27, 5/4

Preschool Story Time (ages 3-5 years): Wednesdays 10:00-10:45 am

2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1

4/5, 4/12, no class 4/19, 4/26, 5/3

Lego: Saturdays 1:00-2:00 pm

1/7, 2/4, 3/4, 4/1

Pint-Size Playgroup (ages 0-5 years) meets monthly Saturday 10-11:30 am

1/28, 2/25, 3/25, 4/22

Outreach

Carly: Kiddos Korner Daycare - First Fridays 10:30-11:30 am (2 & 3 year olds),
2-2:45pm (4 year olds)

1/13, 2/10, 3/3

Jack and Jill Preschool – Wednesdays 12-1pm

1/18, 2/1, 3/1

Bridgette: Golden Age Center – Third Fridays 11:00-12:30 pm

1/27, 2/24, 3/17, 4/14

January

1/5/23 Book a Technology Trainer (Thursday 12-6pm)

1/17/23 Feelings Rock (Tuesday @ 10am)

1/21/23 Outsider Art – Teen program (Sat. @ 1pm)

February

- 2/4/23 Book a Technology Trainer (Saturday 11am-5pm)
- 2/9/23 Quilling Workshop (Thursday @ 6pm)
- 2/21/23 Inflatable Planetarium: 2 sessions (Tuesday @ 1pm & 2pm)
- 2/22/23 Snowshoe Program with NYS Parks – family program (Wednesday @ 11:30am)
- 2/23/23 Storybook Cook: Iron Chef Desserts – kids/teen program (Thursday @ 1pm)

March

- 3/14/23 Feelings Rock (Tuesday @ 10am)

April

- 4/6/23 Book a Technology Trainer (Thursday 12-6pm)
- 4/14/23-4/15/23 Donated Book Sale

In the works:

- Monthly free sewing classes for kids age 6-15 on Wednesdays
- Adult Cooking class with Storybook Cook
- Spring Break programming
- Good Friday Easter Program in collaboration with GI Rec.

Holidays:

- 1/2/23: New Year's Day (county observance)
- 1/16/23: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 2/20/23: Presidents' Day