

**FRIENDS OF THE GRAND ISLAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY**  
**MEETING AGENDA - March 9, 2023, 6:00 pm**

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome Guests; Recognition/Thanks
3. Approve Minutes: January 19, 2023
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. Frames for Student Artwork
  - b. Summer Raffle Funding
  - c. Welcome Center bookshelf
  - d. Stamp (Loyalty) Card Program
  - e. Set date for Discard Book Sale
  - f. Appoint Nominating Committee of not more than 3 members to seek nominations for President, Recording Secretary, 3 Board Members one of whom is Book Sorting Chair
  - g. Volunteer of the Year - nominations due March 15 to Bridget Review/Selection Committee:
  - h. Annual Meeting Date and Program: Mary Kate O'Connell, Tues, May 23, 6pm  
Postcards?  
Set-up:  
Refreshments:  
Clean-up:
  - i. Donated Book Sale: Set-up, Thursday April 13 Chairperson - Russ  
Friends Members, Friday, April 14 Chairperson - Russ  
Jan at Membership Table  
Open to the public, Saturday, April 15 Chairperson - Phyllis
9. Ongoing Business
  - a. Book Club
  - b. Growing Readers Initiative: Meeting March 15, 3:15-3:45

- c. Friends Facebook/Webpage
- d. Royal Oak Paper Retriever

10. Next Meeting Date: Annual Meeting, Tuesday, May 23, 6pm

11. Roundtable

12. Adjourn

**FRIENDS OF THE GRAND ISLAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES March 9, 2023**

**Present:** Marie Volpe, Phyllis Galie, Russ Person, Nancy Vizzi, Jill Banaszak, Richard Smyth, Jan Yardley, Charlotte Senulis, Bridgette Heintz

**Excused:** Joyce Thornton, Mary Cooke

**Call to Order:** 6:00 PM by Jill Banaszak

**Thanks** to Russ Person for reorganizing and relabeling the shelves in the sorting room.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting were accepted as distributed.

**Correspondence:** None

**Reports:**

- a. **Treasurer:** Nancy reported our checking account balance is \$2,979.92 and there is \$10,256.16 in our savings account. There have been no new expenses. The report has been filed for audit.
- b. **Membership:** No new members.
- c. **Book Sorting:** The re-labeled shelves are making it much easier for the sorters.
- d. **Book Sale Room:** We continue to sell from the shelves and the Book Sale Room.

**Library Director Report:**

- a. Funding requests:
  - A motion was made by Charlotte and seconded by Phyllis to fund \$450 for summer raffle prizes as listed in the Director's Report. All were in approval.
  - A motion was made by Marie and seconded by Jan to fund no more than \$400 for back-up frames for the student artwork in the meeting room. All were in approval. Bridgette will investigate what's available and report at our next meeting.
- b. The Reading Garden Committee last met on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. All the Board members were there. Jill reported that she is applying for a \$500 grant from the Air and Waste Management Association to facilitate the project. Russ reported that he is still looking into getting help from the Eagle Scouts.

**Old Business:**

- a. **Annual Meeting:** The Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 PM. Thanks to Richard and Mary Smyth for arranging for our guest speaker, Mary Kate O'Connell. Charlotte made a motion, seconded by Phyllis, to approve \$100 for an honorarium and \$300 for refreshments and paper products. All were in approval. Bridgette will order refreshments from Wegman's. Marie and Phyllis will set up. Joe and Charlotte Senulis will clean up.

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- b. The **Donated book sale** will be April 13, 14 and 15. Phyllis will coordinate the volunteers. Russ will chair on Thursday and Friday. Phyllis will chair on Saturday. Jan will staff the membership table. A motion was made by Jan and seconded by Marie to increase the Saturday all day bag sale price from \$3.00 to \$5.00. All were in approval.
- c. Potential dates for the next **Discard Book Sale** are September 28, 29 and 30. Potential dates for the **November Donated Book Sale** are November 2, 3 and 4. Bridgette penciled in the tentative dates so that the room is reserved.
- d. A **bookshelf in the Welcome Center** is still under investigation by Mary Cooke.
- e. The **Bookstore Loyalty Card** has been completed by Bridgette and Jan. It looks lovely! Bridgette is exploring options for prizes and will present what's available at our next meeting.
- f. A **Nominating Committee** for President, Recording Secretary and 3 Board Members will be chaired by Marie. The slate will be presented at the Annual Meeting.
- g. **Volunteer of the Year** nominations should be sent to Bridgette no later than March 15<sup>th</sup>

### Ongoing Business:

- a. **Book Club** is going well.
- b. The next **Growing Readers Initiative Meeting** will be March 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:15. Bridgette will be in attendance.
- c. Continuation of a **Friend's Facebook Page** will be discussed at our next meeting.
- d. The **Royal Oak Paper Retriever** generates no income but is valuable as a recycle vehicle for used books.

**Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 PM (Annual Meeting)**

**Roundtable discussion:** Bridgette reported that the Friend's brochure has been completed.

There being no further discussion or business, a motion was made by Nancy and seconded by Marie to **adjourn at 7:28 PM.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Charlotte Senulis**

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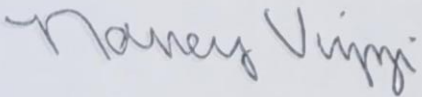
TREASURER'S REPORT

AS OF 02/28/2023

BANK BALANCES:

CHECKING	\$ 2,979.92
SAVINGS	<u>\$10,256.16</u>
TOTAL	\$13,236.08

Respectfully Submitted,



Nancy Vizzi

Treasurer

## Friends of the Grand Island Memorial Library Board Meeting

March 9<sup>th</sup> 2023 @ 6:00 pm

Library Meeting Room

Director's Report

### Director's Report

- Funding requests:
  - Summer Raffle prizes: see handout for breakdown
    - Baby/Toddler: Ice Cream Truck play tent
    - School Age: 16" bike and 20" bike
      - 2 bike helmets
    - Teens: 2 Amazon Gift Cards
    - Adults: 2 Amazon Gift Cards
      - **Total funding request: \$436**
  - Reading Garden Committee: last met on 3/2/22.
    - Little Free Library component – stocked by Friends?

### Unfinished Business

- Donated Book Sale: 4/13/23 (set up), 4/14/23 (Friends sale), 4/15/23 (general sale/take down)
  - Times
  - Bag Sale the last few hours? If so, what is the pricing?
  - Anything else for the Director's to-do list
- Annual Meeting
- Spring Bag Raffle
- Friends Brochure
- Stamp Card Program
- Welcome Center
- Future of Friends Facebook Page

### New Business

- Discard Book Sale Dates
- Volunteer of the Year Nominations

Respectfully submitted,  
Bridgette Heintz

Director  
Grand Island Memorial Library

# Summer Reading Raffle Prizes 2023

## **Baby/Toddler Grand Prize:**

[Ice Cream Truck Play Tent \(Amazon\)](#) - \$40



**Total: \$40**

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## **Children's Grand Prize:**

[16" bike - \\$80 \(Walmart\)](#)

[Amazon Alternate](#)



[20" bike - \\$118 \(Walmart\)](#)

[Amazon Alternate](#)





[Toddler Bike Helmet - \\$24 \(Walmart\)](#)



[Kids Bike Helmet - \\$24 \(Walmart\)](#)



**Total: \$246**

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### **Teen Grand Prize:**

**\$50** Amazon Gift Card (grand prize)

**\$25** Amazon gift card (runner up prize)

**Total: \$75**

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## **Adult Grand Prize:**

**\$50** Amazon Gift Card (grand prize)

**\$25** Amazon gift card (runner up prize)

**Total: \$75**

**Total for ALL Summer Reading Raffle Prizes: \$436**

## Present your Friends Membership Card to receive these benefits:

- Buy two items, get one free at the Book Store or Book Sale Shelves
- Friends Member Nights at the Donated Book Sales.
- Receive a loyalty card good for a prize after **10 purchases made from the Book Store or Book Sale Shelves: one stamp per purchase\* per day.**  
*\*(multiple items purchased in one day = one purchase=one stamp)*
- Entries into special Friends-sponsored raffles.

Benefits and prizes are subject to change.

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## Friends of the Grand Island Memorial Library



*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

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

*\*\*Between Memorial Day and Labor Day:  
Open Mondays 9:30-5 & Closed Saturdays \*\**

## 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 Sale shelves located out 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, including future meeting dates.**

## Programs We've Sponsored in 2022

- Monthly Adult Book Club
- Cooking Demos with Linda & Sal
- Art Appreciation
- Local author talks
- Summer Reading Bike Raffle
- Trunk or Treat
- Donated Book Sale (community donations)
- Discard Book Sale (from the library collection)
- Children's Program supply funding including Itty Bitty Story Time and Preschool Story Time
- GI Schools Student Art Exhibit

## 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 funding



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



*Have your card stamped each time you make a purchase from the Book Store or the Book Sale Shelves.*

*Redeem a full card for a prize.*

*\*\*see back for more details\*\**





# ONE STAMP PER PURCHASE\* PER DAY

*\*(multiple items purchased in one day = one purchase = one stamp)*

## PRIZES SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON AVAILABILITY

*Donated and Discard Book Sale purchases are not eligible for stamps.*

