

# Friends of the Lakes Regional Library General Meeting

## Friday, May 8, 2015

President Jane Ann Kennedy called the April meeting to order at 11:30 AM

### Welcome New Members

### Members Attending for the first time

### Minutes of the last meeting -Carla Webb

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

### President's Report - Jane Ann Kennedy

Jane Ann reported that Friends of Lakes Library received a thank you note from Margie Byers. Carla Webb, Secretary read the note thanking the Friends for their support for the SWFL Reading Festival.

### Treasurer's Report - Len Ahlfeld

As of April 30, 2015 the Administrative Account Balance is \$3,201.77. The Gift Fund balance is \$17,609.82. The total available funds are \$20,811.59.

### Library Report - Jill Horrom

Jill talked about the physical changes that have taken place in the library. She reported that the Friends of Lakes Library Board voted to buy some book display cases. Jill explained to the members the new procedure concerning automatic book renewals. The database has been set up to automatically renew a book 3 days before its renewal date. It will not renew if that book is on hold or is a most requested book. The

book will renew again until it has exhausted the renewals on that book. You cannot opt out of this. It will take a year before the stats on book check-outs will be accurate. At this time, it shows more books checked out than there really are.

There were 600 fewer holds in April than March.

The Children's books will begin floating in 2016.

The Children's Summer Reading Program begins as soon as school is out. Jill reported that schools are out May 25, 2015. She thanked the members for their support.

#### Nook Arrangements - Anita Jenkins

Anita reported that The Nook still needs more books. She reported that there are only two boxes of books at this time for the Book Sale and this past year we had 200 boxes for the Book Sale.

#### Display Case - Lucy Breitung (absent)

Display at this time is Beading—Beaded Jewelry. This summer Youth Services will do a display.

#### Focus - Len Ahlfeld

The last Focus will be in June. There is no Focus in July or August. He asked that items for the Focus needs to be turned in by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

#### Lunch - Flo Morris

Flo spoke with the manager at Jason's Deli about small things missing from last month's lunches and was assured that they would be checked carefully this month. In September, Jane Ann Kennedy will be taking the lunch orders for Flo Morris.

#### Membership - Pat Davidson

Pat reported 193 memberships, 16 of which are lifetime members.

### Program - Cindy Ahrens

Cindy is gone for the season; Jane Ann Kennedy announced the speaker for this meeting is Jerry Greenfield, known as the Wine Whisper. There is a list of future speakers on the website.

### Publicity - Ginny Testa (absent)

Florida Weekly had a nice write up in their paper.

### Volunteers - Jane Ann Kennedy

Snowbirds are going back home, so Jane Ann is redoing the schedule for summer.

### Website- Anita Jenkins

Anita reported that meeting minutes, program schedule, and the Focus have been posted on the website. Members are encouraged to check out the website and Facebook.

### Old Business

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Alice Oldford, a member of Friends, announced that she would be having a Book Signing on May 17, 2015 at the Butterfly Estates, Gulf Coast Bookstore. She will be there from 11:00-3:00. It was also announced that Carla Webb was having a Book Signing there on May 23, 2015 from 11:00-2:00.

Meeting adjourned at 11:57AM.

Next Meeting - September 11, 2015

Respectfully submitted  
Carla Webb, Secretary

