## Meeting of the Friends of Union County Library Union County Public Library Community Room October 17, 2018

## **Friends in Attendance**

Judy Baldwin, PresJackie Volk, VPEvelyn Lamar, SecRoslyn WiseRobin RobbinsJane ManuszakBarbara HaleKate Murphy

Connie Rosenberry

The meeting was called to order at 2:02PM with 3 new members present.

Minutes from July 18 were amended and approved.

Treasurer Report, none as Sally Woodworth not present.

<u>Librarian Report</u> Liberian not present, report read by Judy Baldwin.

The Library will be very busy during late 2018. Smokey the Bear will be at Storytime Nov 5. The first 3 Mondays in December has Santa at Storytime on 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mountain Regional Puppet Company is doing a Christmas show on 10<sup>th</sup>, and the Hampstead Stage Co will return on 17<sup>th</sup> with a special performance of *A Christmas Carol*.

All cataloging has been halted for the time being due to the dismissal of Mountain Regional Library System's cataloger. Technology Librarian Curtis Spiva also resigned. Some classes will be delayed. FOUCL funds have been used to purchase magazine subscriptions and some new mystery materials.

Old Business
<u>Library Board report.</u> Barbara Hale reports that the primary goal of the 3 members on the County
Board is to advise and support libraries. It meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> month of each quarter, 5:00pm,

Community Room and is open to public.

## **Project Reports**

- Judy read letter of thanks from Ferst for the \$360 donation
- Newsletter, Thanks to Connie for publishing the great newsletter. Was sent out via email to members and 30 copies put on table by Friends office. Member Kate Murphy knows 'photoshop' and has professional camera and volunteered to help with media publications. It is published quarterly.
- Publicity articles are being put in NoGaNews for all activities, Everything Christmas, Nov 2-3
  and the Thanksgiving bake sale Nov 20, are being published. Kate Murphy asked about social
  media and volunteered to look into updating Facebook, etc.
- Evaluate 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter The Adult Summer Reading Program. 100 reading packets were picked up. It had good exposure, went well, was enjoyed, prizes given out and different dates and times discussed for 2019. Planning will continue at a later date for 2019.
- Web page we have a new member relocating to Blairsville soon who has volunteered to set up a webpage for FOUCL. Kate, Jackie and Sally will work together to set up something to advertise our events until the webpage can be formally set up.
- Radio announcements. Judy will check on public service announcements for National Library Week, October 22-26. We are all invited to come celebrate our Friends group accomplishments on the 25<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am, in the Library.

- The Friends recognition plaque has been moved by our office door in a more prominent spot. This recognition was for extraordinary work, participation and funds donated during the renovation of the Library building.
- Everything Christmas Christmas decoration items sale, co-chaired by Judy and Barbara, they are receiving donations to sale for the benefit of the Library. Public support is needed, along with workers for setup and sale time. Nov 1 set up at 9am, Sale Nov 2, 9-3pm, Nov 3 10-1pm. Silent Auction items will be on display in the Heritage Room for people to see and place bids on. Signs, publicity is needed around town. Suggestion for signs to be made like 'sandwich boards' that can be used for advertising all events. Jane "volunteered" her husband Robert to build this sign. Also post sale on media, hand out leaflets and word of mouth are good advertising. Barbara expects this to be a major fundraiser.

## **New Business**

- Barbara spoke about nominating committee's slate of upcoming 2019 officers that will be voted
  on at next meeting. Motion made and passed to approve the following to be on ballot:
  President- Jackie Volk, VP- none at this time, Trea- Sally Woodworth, Sec- Evelyn Lamar
- Jackie would like to have copies of the By-Laws to hand out at next meeting along with a copy of the FOUCL Mission Statement. Was suggested that Sally W. might know if we have this and where we can get copy.
- Annual meeting will be in the Community Room November 15<sup>th</sup>. Election and update on year's
  events will be on the agenda. Will try to have a tentative calendar for 2019. Regular Meetings
  are again planned on a quarterly basis.
- The annual Thanksgiving Bake Sale is Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday before Thanksgiving Day. Sally Woodworth chairs this project and asked for pies, cakes, candy and other Thanksgiving dessert treats.
- Dec 6<sup>th</sup> will be the Christmas Luncheon at Brasstown Valley Resort, main dining hall. It will be buffet lunch and book exchange. 11:30AM.
- Dec 10<sup>th</sup> will be the Puppet Show, *The Grinch that Stole Christmas*. Motion made and approved to purchase books to give one to each family attending. Approximate cost each \$8.50-10.00.

Motion made to dismiss at 3:32PM

Respectfully submitted, Evelyn B. Lamar