



FOUCL Member and Author, Connie Rosenberry

Writer's Open Mic: Poetry and Prose September 15

Friends of Union County Library (FOUCL) and Union County Public Library (UCPL) are co-hosting a free Writers' Open Mic: Poetry & Prose Reading. We are inviting all writers and listeners to join us at UCPL on Thursday, September 15, beginning at 3:30 PM in the Community Room. Writers, like Connie Rosenberry (local author of the children's chapter books "Survival in the Jungle" and "Finding Abraham"), are invited to bring their best work and plan to read for no more than 5 minutes, so all who wish to participate may do so. Writers will sign up at the event, with the participants reading in random order. No books will be sold, but if you are a published author with books to sell, you are encouraged to mention where your books can be purchased.

During the month of October, a beautiful dollhouse, fully furnished and donated by FOUCL member Kathy Lawrence, will be on display at UCPL. Raffle tickets will be sold at UCPL on Monday and Wednesday mornings throughout that month – when our members will be in the Friends Room receiving items for our Everything Christmas Sale. Drop off your Christmas goodies and buy some tickets!

There will be three additional prizes given away at our raffle: a miniature do-it-yourself Holiday Time room, a 3D papercraft medieval castle, and a 3D American sneaker pencil holder puzzle. Models and miniatures are the themes for this raffle. Tickets will be sold 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20. The drawing will be held at our Everything Christmas Sale on November 5 at 1 PM in the Community Room, but you do not have to be present to win. All funds raised from this raffle are going towards technology learning resources to be used during the library's children and youth programs. Technology is the T in STEM/STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) and FOUCL is excited to be designating funds for these learning experiences. House silhouettes with first names of those who have purchased tickets will be posted on the inside library window displaying the dollhouse, with thanks from FOUCL and UCPL, so come put some names on those houses.

Our next membership meeting is Wednesday, October 12, beginning at 2 PM. Our meetings take place in the Community Room and are open to all members and those who might be interested in joining. We meet the third Wednesday of the month in January, April, July, October, and November. During our November 16 meeting, we will elect officers for 2023 and brainstorm plans for the coming year. This is the time to share your great ideas with us!

To find out more about what we do and why, visit our website: foucl.org.



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