



**Minutes of Meeting For  
Friends of North Plains Public Library  
North Plains Library  North Plains, OR  
February 13, 2017**

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**Officers Present:** Carolyn Leavitt, President; Margaret Reh, Vice President; Norma Tucker, Treasurer; Marrina Abeln, Secretary

**Members at Large Present:** Mark Susbauer, Sheila Nelson, Chris Lantz, Marianne Vandervelden

**Others Present:** Will Worthey, Carol Wolf

**Friends Meeting called to order by Carolyn Leavitt at 7:00 p.m.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*Chris Lantz made a motion; Margaret Reh seconded the motion to approve the January minutes. The minutes of the meeting were unanimously approved.*

**LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT: Will Worthey**

Some of the highlights of the report were the circulation has continued to increase by 14% over last year and continues to consistently grow at that pace. The screen has been installed at the winery where the films will be shown. First film night is scheduled for Thursday March 23. The friends due to food handling licensing issues will not provide food. Will encouraged all to come to the author talk, the Bee movie and workshop was well attended along with the Christmas events that were held at the Jessie Mays. Several programs have utilized the new TV installed in the program room and is working very well for the programs that they have been used for, Will even pointed out that staff in-service training will be much nicer with the big screen vs. gathering around a computer monitor

To see the full report, select the blue link to view the [Library Director's Report](#)

**LIBRARY BOARD REPORT: Mark Susbauer**

Due to weather conditions, there was no formal meeting. Candidates are being reviewed for the open position that was vacated by Mark Perkins who moved out of North Plains. At this time there only one person who would be quite knowledgeable about the City and has expressed interest in becoming a board member.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Treasurer: Norma Tucker**

**FNPPL Balance Sheet**  
As of January 31, 2017

**Assets:**

Checking	\$5,452.32
Money Market	<u>\$18,434.00</u>
<b>Total Assets:</b>	<b><u>\$23,886.32</u></b>

**Income:**

Donations	\$2,045.55
Online Sales	\$894.34
Used Books	\$18.00
Membership	\$15.00

**Expenses:**

½ Library Collection	\$3,000.00	Equipment	\$768.42 (Audio)
Dedicated Library Materials	\$1,525.00	Volunteer Rewards	\$39.51
		Online Sales	\$36.95
		Movie Night	\$15.98
		Postage	\$9.40

**Book Cart – Mark Susbauer**

Not very many sales this past month, Mark will refresh the cart this week with new material.

**Movie Night – Marrina**

More supplies are needed as the movie night continues to gain popularity; there are several new families consistently each month. Next movie playing will be a movie called Trolls.

**Online Book Sales Update – Chris Lantz, Carolyn Leavitt**

As of June of this year the book sales have totaled approximately \$3800, with consistent sales each month. Several continue to come in to post books on line while others come and ship the books. There is always a need for more volunteers and its continuing to be profitable. During the Citywide garage sale and clean up, an announcement will be made for a book drive that will be posted on the library website as well as the city newsletter for those who wish to donate their books to either drop them off at the yellow house or they can arrange for pick up. More about this at the next meeting.

## **OLD BUSINESS and Reports:**

### **North Plains Weather Station Report – Carol Wolf**

Carol Wolf who lives about 10 miles away from town presented a web site and app for smart phones that is available for local weather and she noticed that North Plains does not have a weather station located in the downtown area. There are several types of weather stations to choose from that can be installed and connected to the web site and be available to all who want to know the current weather in the downtown North Plains area. Carolyn asked about bringing this topic before a city council meeting to see how they felt about installing a weather station that would provide more accurate weather within the city limits. Carol stated that she would be happy to prepare a presentation, Carolyn will approach the city council to get this topic added to their agenda at one of their March meetings. This also may be something that can be a learning tool for our local grade school.

### **AV Project report – Carolyn**

This has been installed and the total cost for all was \$768.42 and has been used for two programs as of this meeting. Very easy to us and has many different options when making the presentations. Will talked about the presentation of the cloud library workshop.

### **Foreign film Program update – Will Worthey**

The first film will be an older movie and will be sourced from the company. These will be subtitled and will be for “21 and older” folks. The chamber will be provided posters and circulate them throughout the local businesses to announce this event. The first movie is a Scandinavian film.

### **Nike Grant update – Will Worthey**

No updates at this time. Will has not heard back from Nike regarding this grant.

## **NEW Business and Announcements:**

### **Other Business –**

Washington County friends meeting will be April 5 at 10:30 am; the Beaverton library will be providing the facilities and beverages. The group asked about the Friends able to provide some snack food items. Carolyn asked for a head count for all who wanted to attend. Two members indicated desire to attend. We agreed to provide some snacks with a \$10 limit. This will be widely attended by Friends groups from all over Oregon.

PAC donation time once again and **Carolyn proposed, Margaret seconded the motion** that we would give a donation this year. This was discussed and was unanimously approved to donate \$200.

Will requested from the Friends to compile a team to participate in a Trivia Challenge. If there are enough teams to hold the event, he would like to host this on Friday, March 24. There was some interest expressed and very possible that there would be enough interested parties to form a team from the Friends group.

**Carolyn made a motion and Margaret seconded the motion** to spend \$20 for a clock to be installed above the DVD shelves that would be available to all who sit in that part of the Library. The motion was voted on and unanimously approved.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm**

**Next Meeting: Monday 3/13/2017, 7pm at the North Plains Public Library**

**CITY OF NORTH PLAINS – LIBRARY DEPARTMENT, FEBRUARY 15, 2017**

**TO: THE LIBRARY BOARD**

**FROM: WILL WORTHEY, LIBRARY DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT REPORT**

**STATISTICS FOR JANUARY 2017:**

- The library checked out 5507 physical items – books, magazines, DVDs, and other media. A total of 374 e-books were checked out by North Plains card holders.
- There were 2157 people who came into the library during open hours.
- The library's public computers were used for 341 hours. An additional 403 hours were logged on the library's wifi system.
- There were 16 children and adults who attended Book Babies Storytimes, 20 children and adults who attended Storytimes for preschoolers, and 25 who attended the movie **Finding Dory**.
- There were 7 people in attendance to discuss the Book Club pot luck.
- Hours spent in donated time to the library by Friends, Volunteers, and Library Board members totaled 330.
- Facebook followers now total 318. There were 599 total Website visits.
- Full statistics may be viewed at [www.nplibrary.org](http://www.nplibrary.org) under Library Board/Library Statistics.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: ART MATTERS**

The following fine objects of art will be on display in the library during January and February.

### **Quilt of the month**

For February our quilt will be the annual raffle quilt. Asking for no recognition, the maker of this year's raffle quilt gave it anonymously to the guild and asked that it be used for a good cause. It was beautifully done in batiks with paper pieced medallions. It was not quite finished when given, so several members of the guild worked to complete it. Truly a team effort.

The quilt on display above the checkout desk throughout the month of March and April was created by Barbara Summey, our library volunteer who conducts Storytimes on the second Wednesday of each month. In this quilt, Barbara honors children's author Theodore Geisel, otherwise known as Dr. Seuss. Annually, on March 2, which is Dr. Seuss's birthday, there is a nationwide reading celebration that takes place. Across the country, thousands of schools, libraries, and community centers participate by bringing together kids, teens, and books.

### **Artist's trading card**

Each month Marie Buckley and other local artists meet to share Artist Trading Cards (ATCs). These miniature works of art are designed to match a set theme and are about the size of a baseball card. The event occurs at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday evening of each month. This is a fun way to meet other artists and exchange art creations. The ATC exchange is free and open to the public.

Our ATC topic for February is Books. The swap will occur on February 16.

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### **In library art display**

In February, we will be pleased to host the fine Illustrations and photography of Steffan Lucas. Here is what we have learned about the artist:

Steffan Lucas has spent the bulk of his adult life becoming familiar with the world's philosophical and religious literature--his aim being to identify and dismantle the individual elements of his own belief systems in order to rebuild himself into a self-created mythic entity. In the meantime, Steffan amuses himself with an ever-changing mélange of activities that include writing, dreaming, information processing, and consciousness-exploration.

### **Craft Guild Meeting.**

Join our informal group of knitters, and quilters from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on the first Wednesday evening of each month. Anyone interested in gathering for camaraderie as you work on your individual projects is welcome to do so at the library. This is intended to be an informal get-together of crafters not a formal class. Contact the library for more details.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS: YOUTH SERVICES**

The following items summarize our upcoming program offerings for younger library patrons.

#### **Book Babies Storytimes.**

Babies 0-12 months are invited to hear stories, enjoy finger plays, and share songs and rhymes with Early Childhood Specialist Lauren every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the children's section of the library.

#### **Storytimes.**

Children ages 0-6 are invited to participate every Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in the children's section of the library.

February 22. Storytime with Mr. Will Elephants v Mice!

March 1. Miss Marion seeks Birds of a feather.

March 8. Storytime with Barbara. Dr. Seuss day!

March 15. Bunnies! With Becky and Mr. Will.

### **Tutoring assistance**

Math and Science tutoring help is available during the school year. Volunteer Aaron or Stacie will be available for half-hour segments each Saturday morning, from 10 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. and from 10:30 a.m. until 11 a.m. Half-hour segments will additionally be available from 6 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. and from 6:30 until 7 p.m. on Tuesday evenings. The tutors will provide help with math from an elementary school level through calculus. In science help will be provided from an elementary school level through college level. Call the library at (503) 647-5051 to book a free tutoring session.

### **First Friday Flick.**

Join us at the Jessie Mays Community Hall on the First Friday of each month for a free showing of a PG-rated movie.

### **March 3 at 6:30 p.m. Trolls.**

After the Bergens invade Troll Village, Poppy, the happiest Troll ever born, and the curmudgeonly Branch set off on a journey to rescue her friends.

### **Super Saturday.**

Come join the library at Jessie Mays Community Center for fun performers and activities for all ages! Events are always a blast and always free.

### **Saturday March 11 join Henrik Bothe!**

Mix the gentle humor of Victor Borge, the physical agility of Seinfeld's Kramer, and the cross-generational appeal of Charlie Chaplin and you have some idea of what Henrik Bothe brings to the stage.

He spins plates, walks on ladders, juggles without using his hands, spins ropes, manipulates fancy hats, and rides a unicycle that's higher than your expectations. Most important of all, he connects with his audience.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: ADULT SERVICES**

Here is a rundown on the adult focused news and programs that occurred recently or are scheduled to occur next month. All are welcome at our programs.

### **Foreign Film Night update**

We will begin our first foreign film night series on Thursday the 23<sup>th</sup> of March with Scandinavian chiller “Let the right one in”.

### **Why I Walked 444 Miles to Make a Memory – February 21 2017, from 7 until 8:30 pm**

Andra Watkins New York Times bestselling memoir *Not Without My Father* is about making memories, about turning I wish I had into I’m glad I did.

Andra’s presentation challenges audiences to evaluate their relationships. She gives attendees concrete ideas and strategies to leave inspired to make a memory of their own. In a one-hour, high-energy performance, Andra shows everyone, whatever their phase of life, how to make memories that matter.

Chainsaw safety at the Library! This occurs on **March 11** from 2 pm until 4 pm.

Trivia challenge. This occurs on **March 24** from 7 pm until 8:30 pm. Yes if we can get sufficient teams we will run a trivia challenge in the library. Are you up for the challenge?

### **Library Book Club.**

New members are always welcome to join in the monthly discussions. The group meets regularly once a month, usually on the last Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the North Plains Public Library.

The next selection will be *The Tiger’s Wife: a Novel* by Téa Obreht. The discussion will occur on Wednesday February 22 from 7 pm until 8 pm.

In a Balkan country mending from years of conflict, Natalia, a young doctor, arrives on a mission of mercy at an orphanage by the sea. By the time she and her lifelong friend Zóra

begin to inoculate the children there, she feels age-old superstitions and secrets gathering everywhere around her. Secrets her outwardly cheerful hosts have chosen not to tell her. Secrets involving the strange family digging for something in the surrounding vineyards. Secrets hidden in the landscape itself.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: UPCOMING MEETINGS**

The following is a listing of the library related meetings scheduled for this month and next.

### **Friends of the Library.**

Our supportive Friends group usually meets on the second Monday of each month in the Library at 7 p.m. New members are invited to attend.

There will be a general meeting of the Friends on March 13 2017.

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## **SAVE THE DATES: KEY DATES FOR LATER IN THE YEAR**

**Friday April 7** at North Plains Elementary story telling performance

Kevin Locke (Tokaheya Inajin in Lakota translation "First to Rise") is a world famous visionary Native American Hoop Dancer and preeminent player of the Indigenous Northern Plains flute. He is a NEA Heritage Award Fellow and Cultural World Ambassador from the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe in South Dakota.

Kevin is Lakota and Anishnabe. His instructions were received from his immediate family and community and from extended family in every part of the world. He has learned many lessons in global citizenship and how we each draw from the richness of our individual heritages.

His role in life is to entertain, educate, engage, and empower the minds of both youth and adults in the North American Indian cultural arts and history of Native Americans. His special joy is working with children on the reservations to ensure the survival and growth of indigenous culture. Kevin Locke will perform "Love Stories" at 6:30 p.m.