

Minutes of Meeting For Friends of North Plains Public Library North Plains Library North Plains, OR October 10, 2016

Officers Present: Carolyn Leavitt, President; Norma Tucker, Treasurer; Marrina Abeln, Secretary

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

Marianne Vandervelden

Others Present: Will Worthey

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Marianne Vandervelden made a motion; Sheila Nelson seconded the motion to approve the September minutes. The minutes of the meeting were unanimously approved.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT: Will Worthey

With Debbie Brodie's assistance, the Library was able to submit an application for the Oregon Cultural grant. She had some final work hours left and Will asked if she would prepare the application. Will did not have time to prepare this so Debbie wrote the text and after a final review by Will, the paperwork was submitted. The results will be reported on or before Dec 14. With this award, this will fund the foreign movie night at the Abby Creek Tasting room. There will be a screen installed on one wall to facilitate an Adult Foreign film movie night. There will be wine to purchase at this event. Debbie asked if the Friends would be interested in providing some cheese and crackers for this event and the cost would fall under the adult programing budget. Will reported that by showing partnerships with places and people such as Abby Creek and the Friends of the North Plains Library, its highly favored in selecting the grant recipients. Will has contacts through an organization to obtain the movies from a group who promotes these films. While there will not be a formal discussion after the movie, there is the possibility that if the movie features some local artists, there could be some discussion time. Will did this at Garden Home Library and it was well attended. The library has an HD projector and Will purchased a sound bar to use for the foreign film night as well as the first Friday flicks at Jessie Mays.

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LIBRARY BOARD REPORT: Mark Susbauer

Board meeting was held September 21st, This was the first meeting for the new Library Director Will Worthey. This was an opportunity for everyone on the board to be formally introduced to Will and for those who were not part of the interviewing process to get to know him better. The board went through various library reports and discussed with Will some of the variations in the statistics report. There was also discussion on ways to make the budget easier to read and more relevant. It was decided at their meeting, that the members preferred printed copies of the Board Packets. Will brought up the idea for an adult movie night, showing foreign films having it at a venue where people could purchase beer and wine. The board was in favor of looking into this. Garden Home Public Library is hosting a similar movie night and it has been quite popular. There may soon be a board position open as Mark Perkins has his house for sale and may move out of district, which opens up a new position that can only be filled by someone that lives in city limits of North Plains.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Treasurer: Norma Tucker

FNPPL Balance Sheet As of October, 2016

Assets:		

Checking \$4,690.96 Money Market \$18,432.77

Total Assets: \$23,123.73

Income:

Art of the Story Telling	\$1,000.00	
(Recology)		
Membership	\$15.00	Expenses:
Library Materials	\$500.00	Deposit to Money Market \$3,000.00
(DVD's)		(Transferred for shortage in the summer)
Online Sales	\$653.82	Super Saturday \$275.00
Donations	\$100.00	Receptions \$55.66
Used Books	\$42.05	(Will and Debbie)

Book Cart – Mark

Book cart sales are light; Mark did go through the boxes of books from the yellow house and found some CD's and DVD's that were rotated into the stock along with a fresh supply of books both hardback and paperback.

OLD BUSINESS and Reports:

Online Book Sales Update - Chris

Sales are good, business is steady. Members of the online book sale discussed contributing more to the budget for library materials since sales are continuing to climb. Hoss Paving still needs to come out and look at the driveway for some improvements, Carolyn will continue following up with them on this project.

Library Magnets Purchase – Chris

The magnets are ordered and will be mailed directly to the library.

Outdoor yard cleanup at FOBS house - Marianne

Marianne has started the fall yard clean up and eventually a work party will need to come in and do major work to get the leaves raked. Discussion regarding how much to cut back along with what to do with the major yard debris was the topic. After the leaves are down a work party will be scheduled to handle both indoor and outdoor clean up.

WCCLS Friends Connection meeting - Oct 13, 2pm Beaverton Library

(Vintage Books Topic)

Carolyn discussed the topic for this month and everyone is welcome. The meeting will be held in a building across from the library. Carolyn read a bio about the speaker discussing her background and the techniques to evaluating vintage books. Carolyn will give a report at the next meeting.

NEW Business and Announcements:

New Website up for the Library –

The website is up. Carolyn along with Chris put in many hours and it is now mobile friendly. Many new features with great graphics. This will continue to be a work in progress as it continues to be developed.

Housekeeping at the FOBS house -

Along with the fall raking party, Carolyn requested that a crew be set up to clean up the inside as well. The date will be set so all of the projects can be completed in the same day.

Fall Potluck Party - Saturday Oct 29th - 6pm

Carolyn would like host a harvest potluck party that will be held at her house. A good time to socialize with all the friends members. An invitation will be sent out to all.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

Next Meeting: Monday 11/14/2016, 7pm at the North Plains Public Library

Director's Report for Friends' Meeting, October 2016

STATISTICS

The library checked out 5223 physical items – books, magazines, DVDs, and other media. E-book circulation numbers have not been compiled at this time. Our circulation rose by 5.88% from September 2015 meanwhile the county wide trend saw an overall decline of 6.58%. We are really growing.

There were 3544 people who came into the library during open hours.

The library's public computers were used for 369 hours.

There were 41 children and adults who attended Book Babies Storytimes, 66 children and adults who attended Storytimes for preschoolers and 22 who attended the movie Angry Birds.

There were 13 people in attendance to discuss the Book Club selection, *Neurotribes: The Legacy of Autism* by Steve Silberman

Hours spent in donated time to the library by Friends, Volunteers, and Library Board members totaled 380.

Facebook followers now total 305. There were 1359 total Website visits.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ART MATTERS

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

Quilt of the month

The quilt for October was made by Renee Wallace of North Plains. Crossroads to Jericho was a Block of the Month designed by Jeri Lindstrom for the Shibori Dragon, a fabric store in University Place with specialty batik fabric. Renee started this quilt in 2006 and added additional blocks over the years as she found fabrics to match. The border and backing are made of multi-colored batik, and the work is machine-quilted with leaves, vines, and flowers. This gorgeous quilt was just recently completed with the addition of binding.

The quilt on display in November will be a bargello entitled Lonestar. It was created by West Side Quilters Guild member Syrena Glade. She found the pattern in 2010 in a

library book called Bits of Bargello by Karen Gibbs. She purchased fabric with six variations of four of the eight colors with a perfectly marbled piece for the back.

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 October is *Dolls*. The swap will occur on October 20.

Our ATC topic for November is *Portals*. The swap will occur on November 17.

In library art displayIn October we will continue to feature the drawings and photography of talented Glencoe High School student and teen library volunteer Cassidy Fink.

In November and December the fine line drawings of Francis Ahn will be on display. These remarkable images lead the eye on an incredible journey of light and dark contrasting patterns.

Craft Guild Meeting.

Join our informal group of knitters, and quilters from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. on the first Tuesday 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. Bring your yarn or cloth and needles (or other craft projects) and expect to make new friends and share ideas. 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.

October 12. Cows and life on the farm with Mr. Will.

October 19. Spinning tales and sharing yarns with special guest & story-teller, Meredith Bach.

October 26. Spooky stories for Halloween with Mr. Will.

November 2. Miss Marion hosts, what do you like to eat? A themed Storytime.

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.

Halloween fun at your library!

Yes there will be spooky going on at NPPL for Halloween. Make tracks to the North Plains Public Library Monday, October 31 from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. for a special trick or treat gift.

Come in costume if you like, and bring your brothers and sisters, but watch out for the Bogle!

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. Popcorn will be provided!

November 4 at 6 p.m. Alice through the looking glass.

After slipping through a mirror, Alice (Mia Wasikowska) finds herself back in Underland with the White Queen (Anne Hathaway), the Cheshire Cat, the White Rabbit,

Tweedledee and Tweedledum. Her friends tell her that the Mad Hatter (Johnny Depp) is in a funk over the loss of his family.

Lego-Palooza Event.

Join us on a no School Day for Lego Palooza at the Jessie Mays Community Center October 14. Hang out and build with Legos or Duplo blocks that we provide (please leave yours at home and our here). Kids, teens, adults welcome! Drop in from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ADULT SERVICES

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

Foreign Film Night Concept

The Library Director has submitted a grant to the Oregon Cultural Coalition to finance a new foreign film night project similar to the one that he hosted at Garden Home Community Library in the past. The decision on this grant request will come on or before December 14, 2016. The amount requested is \$1120. Mr. Bertony Faustin of the Abbey Creek Winery has most kindly agreed to allow his facility to serve as the venue for this series of Friday night screenings, if the bid to obtain funding is a success.

Mobile friendly web site is launched

The Friends of the North Plains Public Library after countless hours of dedicated work have launched an entirely reimagined web presence for the library. Still using the existing URL (http://nplibrary.org/) the new site is a cutting edge, mobile friendly platform, based on a WordPress theme. This theme is supported by all major browsers. This platform is smart phone and tablet friendly. It enables the design to change fluidly to match the screen width of the viewing window with no loss of content! Additionally the new design has been created with a stunning color palette and reimagined NPPL logo. The site was relaunched on October 4 2016. The first patrons and staff to visit the site have greeted the change with enthusiasm.

Library Book Club.

New members are always welcome to 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.

On Oct 26 the selection will be *The Nazi Officer's Wife* by Edith Hahn-Beer. Edith Hahn was an outspoken young woman studying law in Vienna when the Nazi's took power. Knowing she would become a hunted woman, Edith tore the yellow star from

her clothing and went underground. Edith fled to Munich. There she met Werner Vetter, a Nazi party member who fell in love with her. Despite her protests and even her eventual confession that she was Jewish, he married her and kept her identity secret. In vivid, wrenching detail, Edith recalls a life of constant, almost paralyzing fear. This is an epic story - complex, troubling, and ultimately triumphant. Review data from goodreads.com.

On Nov 30 the selection will be *The Whore's Child and other Stories* by Richard Russo. In this title story, a septuagenarian nun resolutely invades the narrator's college writing workshop with an incredible saga. A seasoned Hollywood moviemaker uncovers a 25 year old flame he never knew he'd harbored, and another child is forced into a harrowing cross-country escape. Review data from goodreads.com.

Photography Workshop with Iris Taboh.

Join us for a public photography workshop on Thursday October 27 from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. in the Library. Do you enjoy taking photos but want to start making more creative images? You can do this with any camera. Explore how to combine photography basics and art fundamentals to make images that reflect your vision. Contact the library for more details.

UnBirthday Brunch and Day of Service October 22nd

We will be having a fantastic Day of Service to enhance the library on Saturday, October 22 from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. A large team of volunteers will be sprucing up the library from top to bottom, inside and out. All volunteers are cordially invited to join us afterwards for a fantastic Un-Birthday Celebration from 10:00 a.m. until noon for a tasty brunch, time to recognize our amazing volunteers and party!

What is an Unbirthday? The term "unbirthday" was created by Lewis Carroll in the book Alice Through the Looking Glass. Disney combined this scene with the Mad Hatter's Tea Party from Alice in Wonderland, in their 1951 animated film of the same name. An unbirthday is any one of the 364 days in a year that is not a person's birthday (or 365 days in a Leap Year, of course). As the Mad Hatter declares to Alice, all the more reason to celebrate a great Un-birthday with a celebration brunch!

Emergency Preparedness

Come to the Library on Tuesday November 15 from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. for a free presentation by the American Red Cross and a discussion about disasters that can

occur in our area. Learn the three essentials of being informed, making a plan, and building a kit. This is suitable for ages 10 and up.

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 November 14.

Library Board.

The Library Board will meets at the library beginning at 7 p.m. generally on the third Wednesday of each month. The public is invited to attend.

There will be a meeting of the Library Board on October 19.

There will be a meeting of the Library Board on November 16.

SAVE THE DATES: KEY DATES FOR LATER IN THE YEAR

Here are some key dates for events coming to the library in the near future.

Join us for our holiday spectacular event with a Holiday Concert Bell Choir & Carolers featuring the *Bells of the Cascades* and the *Dickens Carolers*. It will occur on the evening of December 9 at the Jessie Mays community center.

Do a little holiday shopping and support the North Plains Public Library at the same time! The annual Craft Fair will be held in the Library from December 2 until December 24. Proceeds will be used to purchase new books. City Staff, Volunteers, Friends of the Library, Library Board members, and Crafters' Guild members will deliver their crafted donations to the Library on Friday, November 29 or Saturday November 30.