

# FRIENDS OF THE LESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY OF ROME

## November 3, 2018 Meeting MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 9:29 A.M. by President, Ron Fregien

Present: President Ron Fregien  
Secretary – Jeanne Osgood  
Treasurer – Barb Herreid  
Excused – V-President Judy Ontl

Motion to approve the minutes from the August 3, 2018 meeting was made by Katie Wittbrodt and seconded by Fern Fregien. Carried

Financial Report was given by Barb Herreid. Motion to accept the report made by Rose Meyer and seconded by Kim Calteux. Carried.

Camelot Brat Fry Report – Everything went well and we will do it again next year.

Grounds project. – Ron Fregien reported that the shed is in place, and he has fixed the boards around the bottom that were rotting. He has installed a gutter because the fill near the shed is washing away. He will try to get some free fill as people build places in town and may have some to dump. Staining the shed will have to wait until Spring as the weather has not been warm enough to do it this fall.

Renee Daley gave the Director's Report. Things are humming at the library – lots of programs and activities. There will be one more memory program coming up through Aging and Disability Resources. Memory Café will be held every month. Adult Reading Program is starting now through February. Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> Chad Lewis will do a program on Gangsters. Nov. 28, the harpist will be back. Both programs are at 3:00. Every Thursday is Fiber Arts from 1-3 where sewing, knitting, needlework will be shared. All are welcome. Nov. 21 from 12-3 is a craft day for kids. Renee reminded us that the end study room is set up for crafts all the time. People coming to the library can always go back there for a craft – old and young are all welcome. Renee is looking for volunteer help with shelving, supervising movies, helping with adult crafts, reading to kids, organizing. If you come to her and say you would like to volunteer, she will find a job for you. Staff is already collecting items for the summer reading program. A list is available at the desk.

Discussion was held on offering a Family Membership to the Friends group. Renee had a couple samples from other libraries. Jeanne Osgood will work on a form and e-mail it to members along with the minutes soon. Dues notice will be sent at the same time.

Christmas Social Discussion – Lucy Sylvester suggested having a promotion day for the Friends with Treats, coffee, juice, offered for a day at the library. We could have promotional material about what the Friends have accomplished and ask people to join to support the library. Further discussion has tied this idea in with an idea to have a card making day at the library on a drop-in basis. The date for the Friends promotion and a Card Making Day is **Thursday, Dec. 6 from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** Schedule: 10-12 – Ron Fregien, Kim Calteux, Jeanne Osgood. 12-2:30 – Shirley Kiewig, Rose Meyer. 2:30 – 4:30 – Katie Wittbrodt, Fern Fregien. 4:30 – 7 – Lucy Sylvester and Affy Tobrizi. More than two could be there to help with promotion and card making. If others are interested, call the library and sign up to help.

**On November 29, 1:00 – 3:00**, there will be a training on card making using stamps and scrapbook cutouts for all who would like to help with this project. Rachel will be teaching the volunteers.

Other Business – Ron Fregien asked for approval to purchase composite deck materials in spring as soon as the weather will permit building a deck behind the library. Discussion followed. Kim C made a motion to use the \$1000 donated by RomanFest to purchase materials to build a deck behind the library in Spring and authorize Ron Fregien to purchase what is needed at the best price. Jeanne O. seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting – **Friday, May 10, 2019 8:30 Continental Breakfast, 9:00 meeting.** Items for the agenda: Need new officers, Deck and shed report, Librarian Report, Planning donations and volunteers for Camelot Frolic, Summer Reading Program.

Fern Fregien made a motion to adjourn, Kim Calteux seconded. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Jeanne Osgood, Secretary