



# PHOENIX

Newsletter of  
Friends of the Selinsgrove Community Library

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## Upcoming Events:

- Sept. – Crock 2007
- Sept. – Quilt Raffle 2007
- Dec. – Tree Fest 2007

## Reminder:

Annual Membership is Jan. through Dec.  
Renewal form available at the library or at  
[www.friendsofselinsgrovelibrary.org](http://www.friendsofselinsgrovelibrary.org)

## 2007 Goal:

\$10,000 donation to the Library

## Memorial Donations /Honoraria:

Thank you for the following  
generous contributions to  
Friends from:

Joe & Judy Kleinbauer –in  
memory of Martha & Catty  
Auker

Emily Johnson – in honor of  
Ruth Roush's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday

A wonderful way to remember  
or honor loved ones! We will  
acknowledge all such  
donations in our newsletter  
and website.

## Quilt Raffle 2007



Nora Martin's quilt shop in Mifflinburg provided this exceptionally attractive Log Cabin pattern quilt for our 2007 Quilt Raffle. The queen size (96" x 112") quilt also fits a king size bed with a dust ruffle, as shown in the picture on the left.

Stop in and see this beautiful quilt which is on display at the Selinsgrove Community Library. Raffle tickets are available for purchase at all of the Snyder County Library branches ... 1 ticket - \$1.00; 3 tickets - \$2.00; 7 tickets - \$5.00; 15 tickets - \$10.00. The winning ticket (*it could be yours!*) will be drawn during the Selinsgrove Street Fair on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in September (9/26), 2007.

Contact: Linda Wieder 743-7348

## 2007 Crock – Rolling Green Park



This hand thrown half gallon belly crock is a beauty and will bring back great memories for so many people!

## **Friends Contributions:**

County storymobile\*  
New shelving for children's area  
CD collection  
Award winning children's books  
Circulation copies of Tree Fest books  
Tutor.com homework help  
Public performance license (teen movie night)  
Harry Potter celebration\*  
TV/DVD combo & bean bag chairs (teen movie night)  
Summer reading program\*  
Puppet theatre and puppets  
Read aloud program  
Dial-A-Story  
Book shelving  
Book cart  
TV cart  
Laminator  
Matching funding allowing enhanced preschool programs, resources  
Add-ons to new library Polaris system

\* funded in part by Friends

## **Awareness Raising Events:**

Gettysburg Bus Trip  
Tree Fest of Children's Books  
2004, 2005 & 2006

## **Merchandise:**

- Friends Tote Bags
  - Literacy Lapel Pins
- Available at the Library  
More to come in 2007...

## **Information:**

Website  
Newsletters  
Bookmarks

**All thanks to your generous  
support!**

The crock depicts Rolling Green amusement park, "The People's Playground – 1908". The print on the crock includes replication of the Twister, the dance pavilion and the carousel, among other features. Each of these collectible crocks is numbered.

The price of the crock is \$40. Information and order forms will be mailed shortly to persons who have ordered crocks in the past. Order forms will also be available shortly at the library.

Contact: Joyce Bilger 743-5273 or Linda Wieder 743-7348

## ***Get a Clue @ Your Library - Friends Donation to Library Summer Reading Program***

Friends donated the entire proceeds from Tree Fest 2006 (\$3,000) to support the 2007 summer reading program, "Get a Clue @ Your Library". Hundreds of area children of all ages participate each year in the library's summer reading program, which helps them maintain their reading levels over the summer, connect with their community library and find the joy of reading. (Besides which, it's just plain fun – events, prizes and an End of the Summer Mystery Bash!) The program runs from June 1 to August 31 and is open to residents of Snyder County. Registration is easy at any of the four Snyder County libraries.

## ***Spring Book Sale and Raffle 2007***

We offered good books at bargain prices, and we sold a whole lot of books! The 2007 book sale was more profitable than 2006, thanks to all who supported this event. Special thanks to Janis Gemberling for heading up this event and to all the wonderful volunteers who helped out with all aspects of the sale.

Shirley Rowe won the raffle prize – a George Foreman Indoor Grill – congratulations, Shirley!

## ***Tree Fest 2007***

Planning has begun for the Fourth Annual Tree Fest of Children's Books to be held December 1 through 14, 2007. This awesome event will again be held at All Saints Episcopal Church Social Hall.

Letters and decorator brochures have been sent to last year's decorators and to those persons who indicated at Tree Fest 2006 that they'd be interested in participating in 2007; (we had our decorators wait list!) Spaces are limited so reservations will be on a "first come, first served" basis. Tree Fest committee meetings will be on-going.

Contacts: Co-chairs Joyce Hendricks 374-7128 or Liz Heim 837-1672

## ***21st Annual Institute for Trustees and Friends***

In Grantville, PA, May 4 & 5, 2007 – Our Friends group was represented by Elizabeth Heim; Lynn Askew represented the board of Snyder County Libraries.

## Friends Board:

### Officers:

Pres. – Joyce Hendricks  
V.P. – Emily Johnson  
Sec. – Deborah Bernhisel  
Tres. – Janis Gemberling

Joyce Bilger  
Patty Gaugler  
Elizabeth Heim  
Grace Housley  
Pat Reiland-Hess  
Linda Wieder  
Lynn Askew, Library Board  
Liaison  
Barbara McGary, Library  
Liaison

## Board Meetings:

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at  
5:30 p.m. in Sel. Borough  
Chamber

No meeting in July or August  
Annual Members' Meeting held  
in conjunction with December  
meeting.

**Please advise us if  
you change your  
address, phone or  
email address.**

***“Books are  
companions, teachers,  
magicians, bankers of  
the treasures of the  
mind – humanity in  
print.”***

**- Barbara Tuchman,  
Historian**

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This Institute is a not-to-be-missed opportunity for members of Friends groups and library trustees. There are so many valuable, informative sessions and panels available; outstanding speakers present topics of interest and concern to libraries and Friends of libraries. Networking and learning opportunities abound; share problems and successes. These institutes are sponsored by the Office of Commonwealth Libraries, Pennsylvania Department of Education, Pennsylvania Citizens for Better Libraries and the Pennsylvania Library Association. They are free to library trustees and representatives of Friends groups. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn, to become inspired and motivated and to bring home great ideas.

## Help Wanted!

An unusual opportunity for someone with a spirit of political activism to volunteer to serve in a leadership/board position heading up advocacy efforts. Help libraries in Pennsylvania by working to improve state funding to libraries. Organize citizen letter-writing campaigns to legislators; work with the public and legislators on funding issues. Organize virtual participation in American Library Assn's Library Legislative Day in Washington; participate in State Legislative Day (Harrisburg) sponsored by Pennsylvania Citizens for Better Libraries. This could be an interesting and challenging endeavor with tremendous growth potential.

Your reward . . .

The satisfaction that comes from advancing a worthy cause, while at the same time making contacts, building skills, gaining work/leadership experience, enhancing a resume...

“Volunteering is the most fundamental act of citizenship and philanthropy in our society. It is offering time, energy and skills of one's own free will.”

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## Our Thanks Go to ...

All our new and renewing members in 2007 and, as always, to our loyal lifetime members. It is your membership fees and donations that allow us to hold the fundraising events that generate income for the substantial donations to the library from Friends of the Selinsgrove Community Library. We couldn't do it without you!

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***“All you need in life is  
truth and beauty and  
you can find both at the  
Public Library.”***

**- Studs Terkel**