P H O E N I X
Newsletter of
Friends of the Selinsgrove Community Library*
*PCBL Friends Newsletter of the Year Award 2007

Upcoming Events:

- Nov./Dec. – Crocks 2009 *Dauntless Bucket Crock*
- Dec. – Tree Fest 2009
- Dec. – Annual Meeting

Special Thanks

Many of you, when renewing your membership, have added a donation to Friends; thank you so much for these generous donations!

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

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November, 2009

2009 Crock – Dauntless Bucket Crock
Honoring Our Fire Companies

These beautiful crocks are still available!

Order forms are available at library branches and the Friends website

www.friendsofselinsgrovelibrary.org

Contacts – Joyce Bilger 743-5273 or Linda Wieder 743-7348

Tree Fest of Children's Books 2009

Tree Fest is coming up fast! And in fact, it's earlier than usual this year, as we've arranged our schedule to be open on Late Shoppers Night. We were missed last year!

Friends is once again sponsoring this much-loved community event which promotes childhood literacy. From 12/1 (Late Shoppers Night) through 12/18 we welcome visitors to the Social Hall at All Saints Episcopal Church, which will be filled to overflowing with beautifully decorated trees and wreaths. Each tree or wreath is decorated to the theme of a children's book selected by the decorator. The creativity and beauty is awesome!

We're inviting everyone to our **Tree Fest Opening Reception** on Tuesday, 12/1 at 7 p.m. Come enjoy some terrific food and browse the wonderful trees! We'll be open until 11 p.m. for Late Shoppers Night. Be sure to join us at:
All Saints Church, 129 N. Market St., Selinsgrove. Parking on the street and in the back lot.

Friends Contributions:

County storymobile*
New shelving for children's area
CD collection
Matching funds to receive award winning children's books from Libri Fdn. 2004 & 2007
Circulation copies of Tree Fest books
Public performance license (teen movie night)
Harry Potter celebration*
TV/DVD combo & bean bag chairs (teen movie night)
Summer reading program, 2007, 2008 & 2009*
Puppet theatre and puppets
Read aloud program
Book shelving
Book cart
TV cart
Laminator
Matching funding allowing enhanced preschool programs, resources/annual upgrades to Family Place
Add-ons to new library Polaris system
Major additions to adult collection, young adult collection and reference collection
Family event storyteller
Tumblebooks
MP3Players for circulation
Ellison Die Machine & Dies
Early Literacy Station-bi-lingual computer for preschool and elementary school children
New furniture for periodical storage & newspaper storage
Sponsored refreshments for various library events including open houses

* funded in part by Friends

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2009 Schedule

Tuesday 12/1 – 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. **Tree Fest Opening Reception** (and Late Shoppers Night)
Thursday 12/3 - 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Friday 12/4 - 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday 12/5 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Sunday 12/6 - 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday 12/8 - 2:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Thursday 12/10 - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Friday 12/11 - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday 12/12 - 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Sunday 12/13 - 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday 12/15 - 2:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Thursday 12/17 - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Friday 12/18 (Last Day) - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Silent Auction winners announced at 8:30 p.m.

Closed to the public on Mondays and Wednesdays

Admission is free

The library will hold Pre-school Story Hour at Tree Fest on Wednesday, 12/2 and Wednesday 12/9 in the morning. Local dignitaries will be invited to read to the children. This was such a popular event with the children last year.

As always, groups such as school, preschool classes and daycare groups are invited to schedule group visits to Tree Fest. **Call Joyce Hendricks at 374-7128.**

Vote tickets will be sold so you can vote for your favorite trees and wreaths. First Place Tree, Second Place Tree and Favorite Wreath will be selected at the end of Tree Fest when the votes are counted.

You Can Help!

Be a "tree sitter". Call Liz Heim 837-1672

- ☑ Bake cookies or contribute other goodies for the reception
  Call Ricki Stringfellow 374-9639
- ☑ Make a donation. Checks should be made out to "Friends of the Selinsgrove Library" and mailed to Friends at P.O. Box 112, Selinsgrove, PA 17870
- ☑ Publish information about Tree Fest in church bulletins and company newsletters.
- ☑ Help with cleanup on Saturday, 12/19 from 9:00 a.m. until noon
- ☑ Talk up our Sixth Annual Tree Fest – tell your friends – invite them to visit. When you visit Tree Fest, buy votes for your favorite tree and wreath.
- ☑ Wondering what you're going to do to decorate for Christmas this year?   Check out our silent auction. You could take home a beautifully decorated tree or wreath for your home!

Proceeds from Tree Fest will support Snyder County Libraries 2010 Summer Reading Program.

Tree Fest contacts: Co-chairs Joyce Hendricks 374-7128 or Liz Heim 837-1672

Quilt Raffle

Peggy Nace won the beautiful quilt raffled at the Selinsgrove Street Fair on September 26th. Congratulations, Peggy, and enjoy the quilt! We have applied to Thrivent for a percentage of matching funds. Thanks to all who supported the quilt raffle by buying tickets or helping sell tickets – your help is very much appreciated!

Friends Annual Meeting

All Friends members are cordially invited to attend the Friends Annual Meeting on Wednesday, December 9, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. There will be a short board meeting which will include ratification of new board members, and presentation of the 2009 year-end report. Thanks to Emily Johnson who has kindly offered the hospitality of her home at 712 University Avenue (374-4147) for our Annual Meeting

An Evening with Local Artists
Fourth Annual Snyder County Libraries Inc.
November 14th- 5:30 - 8:30
Shade Mountain Winery Route 104- Middleburg, PA • 570-837-3644
Ticket Donations $15 at all four Branches
snydercountylibraries.org
Wine Tasting
Art Exhibit
Silent Auction
ends at 8:00
Music
Hors Doevres

An Evening with Local Artists

The 4th annual Wine Tasting, Art Exhibit, and Silent Auction.
November 14th, 2009 5:30-8:30pm

The event will feature a tasting of wines grown locally, at Shade Mountain Winery, and a silent auction featuring such items as a log gazebo, a Brad Shoemaker print, a week long cabin stay at a lake in Canada and much more.

 The artists showcased at the event are: Ralph Aument, demonstrating 18th century woodworking; Sharon Cressinger specializing in multimedia; and Alf Bashore playing the dulcimer.

 Tickets are available for a $15 donation and are available at all four Snyder County Libraries as well as at the door.

Report on Library Funding 2009/2010

At last Pennsylvania has a state budget for 2009/2010! Public library funding has been substantially reduced. The **direct** impact to Snyder County Libraries will be $30,000 less in state funding than in the previous year, a result of cuts to the Public Library Subsidy. There will be **indirect** effects as well resulting from dramatically reduced funding for other library line items that involve services such as POWER Library, Interlibrary Loan, etc. The library is examing various ways to deal with these impacts, including reducing expenses where possible and appropriate, and increasing income through more fund raising events. We hope that our Friends members will support the library in this difficult time.

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"Libraries will get you through times of no money better than money will get you through times of no libraries."
Anne Herbert

Friends … helping to make our library the best that it can be.