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Friends of the Selinsgrove Community Library*
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Upcoming Events:

Nov./Dec. – 2011 Crocks
White Christmas

Dec. – Tree Fest 2011

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!

Memorial Donations:

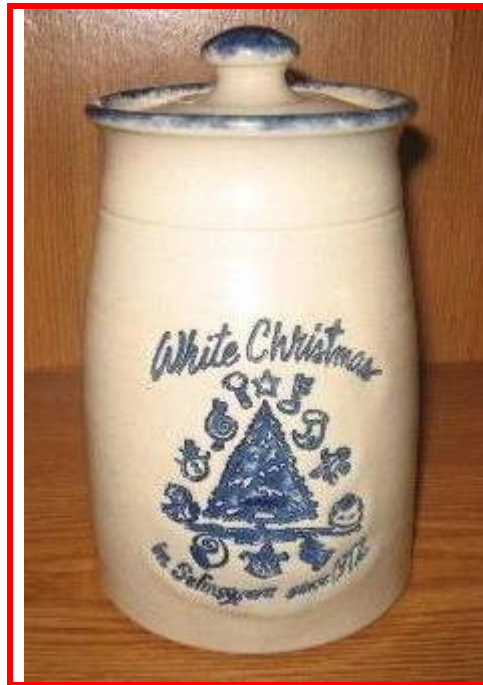
Bruce and Emily Johnson, in memory of Grace Housley's mother and father.
Bruce and Emily Johnson, in memory of Richard Grubb.
Gregory and Traci Sierer, in memory of Philip Apple.
Middleburg Elementary Teachers and Staff, in memory of Philip Apple.

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

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2011 Crock – White Christmas



Order blanks for these beautiful crocks are available at library branches and the Friends website

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Pickup dates at the Selinsgrove Community Library temporary headquarters (former Jackson Penn school building, Route 204, Selinsgrove) will be established shortly for approximately mid-November.

This is the first lidded crock we've offered. This year's handmade piece features a wonderful winter design. The evergreen Christmas tree is surrounded by pictures of the original handmade decorations of the early years of White Christmas celebrations, initiated in 1972. These decorations were handmade by senior citizens of the town and adorned the many trees along Market Street. This crock will bring back memories! The numbered, limited edition crock, priced at only \$40, is handcrafted, glazed pottery, featuring the artwork of Rod Ries and crafted and fired by Bjuno Pottery in Lancaster County.

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

Tree Fest of Children's Books 2011

Our Eighth Annual Tree Fest will be held in the Social Hall of All Saints Episcopal Church. This beautiful venue will again be overflowing with creatively decorated trees and wreaths as visitors celebrate this much-loved community event promoting childhood literacy. Each tree/wreath is decorated to the theme of a children's book.

Friends Contributions:

County storymobile*
New shelving for children's area
CD collection
Matching funds to receive award winning children's books from Libri Foundation 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, '08, '09, '10, 2011*
Puppet theatre and puppets
Read aloud program
Book shelving
Book cart
TV cart
Laminator
Matching funding allowing enhanced preschool programs, resources, upgrades to Family Place
Add-ons to new library Polaris system
Major additions to adult, young adult, children's and reference collections
Family event storyteller
Tumblebooks
MP3Players for circulation
Ellison Die Machine & Dies
Early Literacy Station-bilingual computer for preschool and elementary school children
Shelving for periodical storage & newspaper storage
Sponsored refreshments for various library events including open houses
Primary early readers
Parent magic books and DVDs
Laptop Computer and Desk DS games

* funded in part by Friends

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New Features of Tree Fest for 2011

- Judges Choice Certificate for best tree and best wreath
- Opening Reception Entertainment – Priscilla Conrad and students
- Certificate for each school class participating in Tree Fest
- Kathy M. Miller, author of the Chippy Chipmunk books (one of the featured trees at Tree Fest 2011) will sign books on **Sunday, 12/4 from 2 to 5 p.m.**
- KJ Wagner will entertain on **Friday, 12/9 from 6 to 8 p.m.**

We're inviting everyone to our **Tree Fest Opening Reception on Friday, 12/2 (7 to 9 p.m.)** Come enjoy some terrific food and browse the wonderful trees while being entertained by Priscilla Conrad and her students! See which tree and wreath the judges chose! Please join us at All Saints Church, 129 N. Market St., Selinsgrove. Parking on the street and in the back lot.

Tree Fest 2011 Schedule:

Friday 12/2 - 7 to 9 p.m. **Opening Reception - all are invited! - Entertainment by Priscilla Conrad and students**

Saturday 12/3 - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday 12/4 - 2 to 5 p.m. – **Kathy M. Miller to sign books**

Tuesday 12/6 - 5 to 10 p.m. (**Late Shoppers Night**)

Thursday 12/8 - 2 to 8 p.m.

Friday 12/9 - 2 to 8 p.m. **KJ Wagner entertains from 6 to 8 p.m.**

Saturday 12/10 - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday 12/11 - 2 to 5 p.m.

Thursday 12/15 - 2 to 8 p.m.

Friday 12/16 (last day) - 2 to 8 p.m. - **winners advised at 9 p.m.**

Admission is free!

The library will hold Story Hour at Tree Fest at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 12/7 and Wednesday 12/14. Local dignitaries will read to the children. The children love this event!

Groups from schools, preschools and daycares 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 at 374-1082

- Make a donation to Tree Fest. Checks should be made out to "Friends of the Selinsgrove Library" and mailed to P.O. Box 112, Selinsgrove, PA 17870. Please write "Tree Fest" on the memo line.
- Publish information about Tree Fest in church bulletins and company newsletters. Talk up our Eighth Annual Tree Fest – tell your friends; invite them to visit.
- Help with cleanup on Saturday, 12/17 from 9:00 to 11 a.m.
- Buy vote tickets for your favorite trees and wreaths.
- Wondering what you're going to do to decorate for Christmas this year? You could take home:

- a beautifully decorated, completely original tree or wreath if

Awareness Raising Events:

Gettysburg Bus Trip
Tree Fest of Children's Books
2004 - 2011

Information:

Website
Newsletters

All thanks to your generous support!

Friends Board:

Officers:

Pres. – Joyce Hendricks
V.P. – Pat Reiland-Hess
Sec. – Grace Housley
Tres. – Ricki Stringfellow &
Carol Felix (Co-Treas.)

Joyce Bilger
Barbara Feldmann
Anne Gates
Janis Gemberling
Patty Gaugler
Elizabeth Heim
Emily Johnson
Charles McCuen
Linda Wieder
Lynn Askew, Library Board
Liaison (ex officio)
Jennifer Johnston, Library
Liaison (ex officio)

Board Meetings:

2nd Wednesday of the month
at 4:30 p.m. at the library.
No meeting in July or August
Annual Members' Meeting
held in conjunction with
December meeting.

*"Be careful about reading
health books. You may die
of a misprint."*
Mark Twain

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- you win the Silent Auction for selected trees and wreaths a beautiful Tiny Tree – a miniature tree decorated in the same theme as the larger trees and wreaths. These Tiny Trees are sold for \$15 each and proved very popular last year!

Proceeds from Tree Fest will support Snyder County Libraries' 2012 Summer Reading Program

Putting Contest

A new fundraiser for Friends! We were invited to manage the putting contest at the Selinsgrove Area Community Foundation/Rotary Club golf tournament in September; in return we were able to keep the funds raised from the putting contest. Many thanks to Greg Felty at the Country Club for his generous donation of a prize for the winner of the contest, and to all the golfers who participated.

Quilt Raffle

Congratulations to Diane Beaver, who won the beautiful quilt raffled at the Market Street Festival on September 24th. Enjoy the quilt! There was a lot of competition for this quilt. This was our most successful quilt raffle in years; we had to change to a larger box to hold all the tickets! Thanks to all who supported the quilt raffle by buying tickets or helping sell tickets – your help is very much appreciated!

Fall Yard Sale

We were thrilled at the outpouring of support, donations, help, baked goods and shoppers that combined to make this first yard sale such a success. We are deeply grateful to each and every one of you. This was a brand new endeavor for us, something that we put together very quickly to substitute for a book sale. The VFW Post 6631 pavilion was a perfect location to hold the event and the weather was wonderful. We cleared just over \$1650 which will be combined with earnings from other Friends fundraisers to help provide services, programs, activities and collections for the Selinsgrove library and the branches.

Friends Annual Meeting

All Friends members are cordially invited to attend the Friends Annual Meeting – location to be announced -on Wednesday, December 14, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. There will be a short board meeting which will include election of officers, and presentation of the 2011 year-end report.

6th Annual Art & Wine Evening and Silent Auction (Library Fundraiser)

Saturday November 19, 2011 - 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Shade Mountain Winery
Route 104
Middleburg, PA
570-837-3644

Tickets are \$15 in advance, available at all Snyder County Library branches or \$20 at the door.

Thanks to all our Friends members – you are such good friends to the library!

Friends of Selinsgrove
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cradle of democracy on
earth as the Free Public
Library, this republic of
letters, where neither
rank, office, nor wealth
receives the slightest
consideration.”***
Andrew Carnegie

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