

Oct 2, 2024

7:00 start- Community Room or zoom

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Attendees: Nancy G, Anita G, Nancy V, Kathy P, Victoria O, Kim D, Mary Fran D, Meghan S, Allie P, Carolyn D, Jerry C, Gladis M, Elizabeth S, Alicia O

President's remarks- Nancy V
Welcome

Nominations: Nancy G
Alicia Ochs- Nomination to the board. See bio attached.
Nomination seconded, all in favor, no opposed. Nomination confirmed.

President remarks continue

Board of Trustees-

Creative Library Concepts presented to the Board a plan for reimaging the library went very well. Additional meetings set to move forward with details, timing and budget. Pricing is discounted through cooperatives. CLC is dedicated only to libraries.

Campaign committee draft - Meghan, Allison, Carolyn, Nina

Final review- send to print by 10/15 for mid to late November receipt
Cheryl and Nancy to finalize the mailing listing (including new homeowners), list is nearly finalized.

Committee Openings: Status

- Rebalance committees for 2025
- Finance chair/co-chair- Bob -interim chair.
- VP or co VPs
- Public Relations co-chairs- (Gladis doing a great job planning for transitions of ownership)

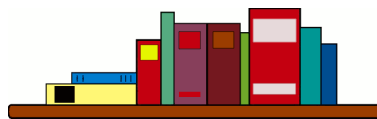
Membership drive- still applicable, especially for finance.

Tonight is Gladis's last meeting – we appreciate all she has done over the years and wish her the best of luck in her career!

Vice President Remarks- Vacant- Need to fill this year, 2 co vice presidents?

Foundation meeting Sept 9

Next meeting: October Tuesday, October 8



Recording Secretary- Nina

September Minutes – no comments, approved.

Correspondence – Nancy G

Letter of thanks from library for purchase of karaoke machine, which will be used at Spelling Bee and other events!

Treasurer's report- Bob Baker

Summary 2024 reports shared during meeting. We are on target to provide annual budgeted contributions to library.

Library Update- Fran

Summer Reading programs supported by Friends netted 3,441 attendees (a lot of which were unique) even in midst of bathroom renovations. Electronic resources continue to gain in popularity and were able to up some numbers. Prices have increased (audiobooks on Libby are much more expensive than CDs, but are in high demand). Library staff is very excited and already using new printer. Fairfield Library welcomed into MAIN (now over 50 libraries participating). MAIN users have 15% discount for tickets to Shakespeare Theater of NJ. As part of CLC planning, piloting moving reference desk to new location in preparation for decisions about new furniture investments. As of this afternoon, bathrooms have officially passed inspection! Excited to focus energy moving forward on exciting innovations now that this big capital project is finally done.

Public Comments: Patrice Cummings, Foundation

Endowment approaching \$800,000. About to write fundraisers, well-attended with good feedback. Mayor pulled raffle tickets on 9/21 for 50/50 but might be this week. Focus over next 6 months is donor development.

Reports by committee chairs-

Finance- Bob

2025 draft budget presented and discussed. Friends to share any questions or suggestions with Bob. We will vote on budget next month,

Programs- Youth- Meghan & Allison

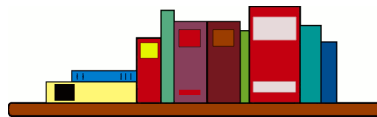
Tiny Art Show- Posting social media reminders for people to turn in their canvases this week, then will be asking people to vote the following 2 weeks.

Timeline

Sun, 10/6 Last day to drop off finished canvas at library

Mon, 10/7 First day of voting

Thurs, 10/24 Last day to vote



Sat, 10/26 Artists' reception in community room (11 am - noon)

Age Categories: 0-3 years, 4-7, 8-12, 13-18, 19+

Prize Categories:

Library Staff Choice

People's Choice

Critic's Choice - Each of these 3 prizes awarded in each age category (total of 15 prizes) +

Best in Show (canvas with the most votes across all categories)

Volunteer Recognition- Victoria

Volunteer recognition- 10/5 All set for the event.



Programs Adult- Jerry

Harpist -October 6- Nancy to bring all snacks.

Gerard & Diane - November 17- may need volunteers

*Jerry and Laurie to send info to Kim and Alicia so we can promote on social media.

Public Relations- Gladis

- PR committee met and made plans for print, social media, an ad in the paper (10/10 for \$150) and signage for the various events.

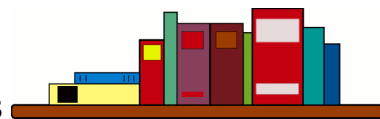
National Friends of the Library week October 20-26

October – all month- Display mini art canvases.

October 17- Thursday night- Support, Sip and Shop 5 - 8pm

Cost: Ad in paper to promote- \$150, & print posterboard at library for sandwich boards (ensure date and time are in large print with logos, avoid smaller text – hard to read driving by)

Rebecca Collection, B Boutique, Apres, Waiting for the Sun (ride and reflect), August, Calla. Others may include Well Bred, Pink Rooster



WE NEED FOOT TRAFFIC And SHOPPERS- please plan to stop by the shops and start some early Christmas shopping.

October 20- Sunday- Spelling Bee – Nancy, Kathey, Victoria, Anita

Pat McMillin- Middle School- she will help and be a judge.

Sweetie Janai- Kumon- she will help and be a judge, maybe donation.

Cost- Prizes, food (maybe have sponsorship from Kumon) **\$400**

Current Sign ups: currently up to 10 (last year we had 8 attend and 11 register)

October 22- Tuesday Tai Chi with Gang 6:30-7:30 Tues Oct 22 - Laurie

Sign Ups: just open 10/1

ALSO doing friendship bracelet making session at 4:30 (will be out in time for Tai Chi)

October 23- Wednesday- Diane Lang Positive Aging **\$350 Gladis**

Life expectancy has improved during the past couple of decades. Most of us will look forward to twenty or more years in retirement. How we choose to address our aging bodies and minds during this time will be up to us. Our beliefs on aging play a huge role in our happiness and health. In this workshop we will learn: -Ways to thrive at any age and gain perspective on the aging process. -The truths and myths of aging. -Cultivate a positive approach to our future years and see the new possibilities that this stage of life can bring

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October 24 Thursday- Wine Tasting? Nancy, Patrick, **OTHERs for day of?**

\$30 per person, sponsor  **PREMIER PATH**
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Nancy & Patrick –fee based, only 6 wines (instead of 8), raffle for bottles used in centerpiece.
Using our paypal to accept registration fee.

Sign Ups: just opened 10/1 (up to 8 people already paid)

October 25 Friday- Miss Jolie for a fun creative Halloween program 3:30

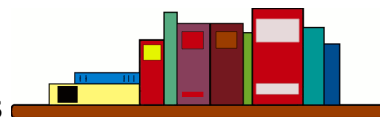
October 26 Saturday – Arts Reception: Prizes, food/drinks, fun activities 11 to 12

All month: I love the library board to be created for love notes to be attached- Nina

Fundraising- Carolyn/Jerry

Reforming efforts, new members

Mini Golf early decision review- Nancy



October confirm returning hole sponsor, Mainstreet Bernardsville Key Stone Sponsor \$1,500-
 we need to define how we will handle this for all printing and communications: Overall
 banner? hang? Name/logo above/below "A Hole Lot of Fun" on score cards and signs?
Nina can help with some design ideas for banners and posters.
Nina to put together new spreadsheet for tracking comms and updates – will share with
group this month (include businesses from Support, Shop and Sip)
December meeting will be just mini golf.



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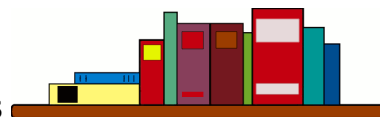
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Old Business/New Business- None.

Next Board of Directors: Nov 2- 6:30

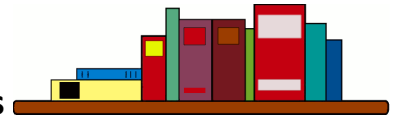
Friends of the Bernardsville Public Library Key Dates 2024

Meetings December Mini Golf 12/4
Concerts: 2025 schedule to be determined
Annual Campaign: November 2024
National Friends of the Library Week: October 20-26, 2024

Meeting agenda topic key dates:

1. **October**
 - Finance- Budget 2025 finalized
 - Campaign letter sent
 - Friends' week celebration
 - Nominating committee- officers and committee chairs for 2025 finalized
2. **November**
 - Annual meeting
 - Budget approval
 - Committee chairs
 - Officers

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Attach to Oct meeting agenda: minutes, early action for mini golf, Alica bio

2024 Committee Assignments

Finance Includes tax letters	Fundraising includes campaign	Nominating	Programs Youth	Programs Adult	Public Relations Vacant 11/1	Volunteer
Bob Baker- (acting chair)	Carolyn Duff (Co Chair)	Nancy Goguen	Meghan Scott Co Chair	Jerry Clark Chair	Vacancy (Co Chair)	Victoria Oliveira Co Chair
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Maria Parrella – Tax letters	Kathleen Doran	Kathleen Doran	Elizabeth Stryker	Laurie Fetten	Nina Alstrom	Nina Alstrom
Nancy Goguen	Alicia Ochs		Kathy Peachey	Cheryl Maddaluna	Bob Baker	Kathy Peachey
	Patrick York				Kim Donaghy	
					Laurie Fetten	
					Anita Gandhi	
					Alicia Ochs	
					Victoria Oliveira	
					Elizabeth Stryker	

1. Campaign Task Force: Meghan Scott, Allison Porter, Carolyn Duff, Nina Alstrom
2. New Homeowner letters: Cheryl Maddaluna
3. Tax Letters- Marai Parrella
4. Attend Foundation: Cheryl Maddaluna

Issues

1. No vice presidents
2. Finance chair
3. Fundraising chair

Hanging banner

Possibly

Retractable banners



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Fun Mini Golf

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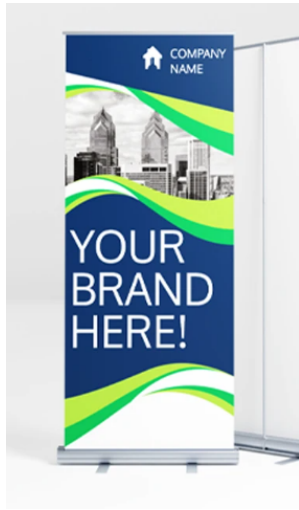
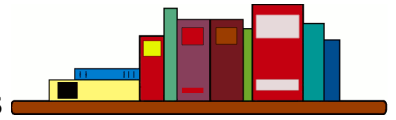
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