

Present: Carla Tishler, Barbara Young, Martha Walsh, Hope Godino, Sarah James, Pam Hagan, Lorraine Jurdi, Dorothy Cieslewicz, Jennie Medlock, Hilary Ireland, Ute Tellini

1. Treasurer's Narrative financial report for the month of March 2023

On March 1, 2023, the bank account opening balance \$2,406.88

Receipts: \$0.00

Expenses: State of New Hampshire annual registration \$75.00

On March 31, 2023, the bank account closing balance \$2,331.88

Anticipated expense: none

2. Recent activities: The cribbage group met on April 8th. On April 1st Sarah and Evelyn had fun staffing a craft and info table at the Farmers Market in Stratham. Also on April 1st Lorraine, Doreen and Kathy helped the library staff with some kids crafts as part of the Exeter Lit Fest. The kids had a great time and Hope was very appreciative of the Friends' help.

3. Upcoming activities:

Cribbage: next meeting on Saturday, May 13th, 10-noon in the library

Library Craft Fair: Scheduled for Saturday, May 6th from 10 to 2 at the library. Quite a few vendors have signed up so spread the word! There are posters advertising the event available at the library circulation desk. If you know of places to post some please stop by the desk and pick some up. The Friends will be running a raffle of items the crafters donate. Carla and Jenny can make it. They could use some help if anyone else is free, any time between 9 and 2. Hope will ask the librarians to make a poster for the raffle. Sarah will get the raffle tickets, "float" money for change and a money box to carla. We are not sure how many prizes will be raffled at this point, but will figure it out that day. We plan to draw the winners after the fair has concluded, possibly on May 10th, and call the winners to pick up their prizes.

Sea Dog Fund Raiser: Scheduled for Wednesday, May 17th from 5 to 8 at Sea Dog Brewery. We have had quite a few wonderful items donated for our raffle! Sarah is collecting things and we will meet at her house (70 Court St in Exeter) on Wednesday, May 10th at 4:30 to group them into baskets. More info to come at our next meeting. As for the craft fair there are posters advertising the event available at the library circulation desk. If you know of places to post some please stop by the desk and pick some up.

4. Charitable gaming: Hilary and Carla will be meeting soon with a representative from another organization that already participates in this program. They'll get more info and start the paperwork.

5. Officers: Dottie Cieslewicz will resign as treasurer after the June meeting due to other commitments. Hilary and Carla will ask Roy Tellini to step into this role. Dottie

noted that she has filed all the 2022 tax forms and that the new treasurer will need to set up a new account when the time comes to do next year's taxes. Thank you Dottie! We still need a secretary - please respond to this email if you think you could do this job. Sarah will continue to serve as "scribe" as needed.

6. Library Garden: The town tidied up the garden and it is looking great! Sarah and Ginny will organize a garden day in late April / early May. At that time we'll look it over and decide what (if anything) we want to do this year, whether it is adding things, thinning things out or a combination. New gardeners are always welcome!

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 9th at 6:30 pm in the library. Hope to see you there!