

**Friends of Dover Free Library Annual Meeting**  
**Wednesday, July 8, 2009 at 9:30 A.M. in DFL's Community Room**

**Present:** Judy LaFiura, John Flores, Carol Lucas, Pat Bowen (and Nora),  
Marcy McElroy, Cheryl Morrison, Patti Buck

**Acceptance of June 10th Minutes:** The minutes of the June 10th meeting were accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer, Pat Bowen, reported that the federal tax return for the FoDFL needs to be filed for the fiscal year July 1, 2008-June 30, 2009. A 990 post card will be filed as of July 15th; the Friends' organization has five months in which to file.

Pat passed out the July 2008 through June 2009 fiscal year's Profit and Loss statement which showed the total FoDFL income to be \$2620.35 with a net income of -\$1,355.09. This net resulted when the Friends returned the proceeds of the 2008 "Dessert Social", \$842.50, to the Library. Beginning with the 2009 "Dessert with the Author" proceeds will go directly to the Library. A Balance Sheet was also passed out and this reflected that as of July 7th, the Friends have \$2,457.53 in the Merchants Bank account.

Pat also reported that she has a combination fax, scanner, black and white laser, copy machine that she would like to donate to the DFL. It needs a new drum and toner, otherwise it is in perfect working order. The Friends voted to assume the \$200 cost of the drum and toner so that the DFL's present machine may be upgraded.

**Library Director's Report:**

**I.** DFL Director, John Flores, thanked the Friends for their hard work during 2008-2009.

**II.** He reported that the summer book discussion with Richard Wizansky is going well; there are still some books available for the ongoing 2009 discussion groups and he encouraged Friends to spread the word that books may still be checked out at the DFL.

**III.** Children's Librarian, Tamara Hamm's babysitting program was a complete success with 10 in attendance and eight on the waiting list.

**IV.** The Monday night movie was well attended and he hopes for the same when Pulitzer Prize winner, Frank Bass, speaks at the DFL on July 15th.

**V.** This year's "Dessert with the Author" speaker, Thomas A. Middleton, will be interviewed live by Steve West on WKVT 10.90 AM at the end of July. The author's book *The Saber's Edge* is now out and available at the Library.

**VI.** John is currently looking into a program called ACCESS WORLD which gives subscribers full access to newspapers such as the New York Times, The Boston Globe and to other major newspapers around the world. He will report his findings at a later meeting.

**VII.** John said that DFL continues to need more volunteers.

**Future of FoDFL:** While the Friends need more active members, it was decided that the mission/goals of the organization will continue to be pursued. The current Friends' by-laws state that a quorum of five members of the Executive Board is required so that decisions may be legal. The idea to reduce this to three was considered; discussion concerning this and further by-law revision will ensue.

## **Election of Officers and Directors for 2009/2010:**

The electees are:

President- Judy LaFiura

Vice President- Connie Wisse

Treasurer- Pat Bowen

Secretary- Patti Buck

## **Events and Programs:**

**I. Vance Hosford's July 7th Architectural Talk** - Chair, Judy Overton-Jones, was not present to report, but several Friends in attendance spoke to its success. A thank you note will be written to Vance whose presentation of handmade building models was very well-received.

**II. Dover 2010 Bicentennial** - Co-chairs Judy Jones and Mary Beth McGovern were not present to report, but Judy LaFiura attended the June DFL Trustee meeting to ask for the Trustees help in coordinating the Library's Bicentennial float. The co-chairs report was tabled until the next meeting.

**III. Dessert With the Author** - Co-chair, Patti Buck, reported that preparation for this August 6th event is going well. Most of the desserts to be donated by inns, restaurants and individuals have been solicited. Several Friends in attendance at this meeting volunteered for various tasks. "D w/the A" posters and DFL summer calendars of events will be printed and available for distribution. Friends were asked to advertise the event by word of mouth to others in the community. Email blasts will go out toward the end of July, as will a press release written by Janet Kierys.

**IV. Dover Day Book Sale** - Judy LaFiura and Marcy McElroy will have more to report on this at the August meeting.

## **Other Business:**

The idea of creating a "gift of time" campaign was discussed. Those in the community who do not have time to attend FoDFL meetings, but who would like to help the library, might donate a "gift of time" instead. Several other related ideas were put forth. Carol Lucas and Pat Bowen will meet with DFL's volunteer coordinator, Nancie McLean, to determine how this might be organized.

**Adjournment:** This Annual Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

**The next FoDFL meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 12th at 9:30 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Patti Buck, FoDFL Secretary