Ringwood Public Library Friends Meeting
2/8/18
Next Meeting: 3/8/18

Called to order  7:35 pm
Attendees: Jessica Einreinhof, Lisa Petri, Carole Baligh, Marge Gavan, Susan Rakosi Rosenbloom, Gail Lubot, Janine Graham

Approval of minutes 1/11/18
Lisa Petri moved to approve the minutes (1/11/18) as amended. Jessica seconded the motion and the motion passed. Susan Rakosi Rosenbloom abstained

Treasurers Report: Carole Baligh: As of 1/1/18 there is $32,843.66. There is $32,104.39 in the account as of 2/8/18. There is a $15 unexplained deposit 1/3/18 and a $155 unexplained deposit 1/25/18. A check to Bill H. for $400 was cashed which covered the first arduino class. Another check for $466.66 covers the new class.

Old Business
Bill H. agreed to Python and Minecraft class, starting April 10th, 8 weeks, 6-7:30 at the library. Jessica has not solidified summer program.

Maggie's Dine to donate on 1/31/18. Jessica will ask Anne S. how much money was donated. Do we need better advertisement?

Stuffed animal sleepover brought in $123 for 25 people. People suggested it needs better publicity and perhaps it can be advertised at story time.

Jessica will talk to director to see how the facebook page is being used especially in regards to setting up event reminders for publicity. Lisa will print out 11x17 poster for Friends activities to put in lobby.

Friends bulletin board fundraiser. Lisa will work on book plate donations ($25) for February.

New Business

Future programs
Shakespeare program Hudson Valley production, 90 minutes, $2000, adult event; maybe on a Sunday. Will there be a fee for attending? They also have a children's workshop for $375-635 per day.
Summer Reading program- Ringwood school teacher Ms. Romano has a plan for a summer program at the library. Cost $2000, grades 3-5, 8 weeks, 2x a week for 1 hour, Tuesday or Thursday, 20 kids per class. The goal is to engage reluctant readers and work more closely with school system. How do you get the reluctant reader to come to the library? Incentive to read certain number of books. Who’s read the most? How about a scholastic BOGO fair?

**Fundraisers**

Club SippyCup, 2/24/18, 11-12:30. Jessica needs help with food and setting up at 10am. We will be asking for a 5$ donation. Needs more publicity.

Dine to Donate, 3/13/18, Pizza One, Janine finished flyer but needs publicity.

St. Patrick’s Day Pre-Parade, 3/24, 10am. The Friends need baked goods and face-painters.

Escape the library, mystery room, 4/14/18, committee meeting. Geared for children to adults. 8 people per section, 3 sections during the 45 minutes, $15 per person.

5 sessions: 5:30, 6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30-10:15

Here is the plan:

3:00- setup downstairs where participants register and get situated. Includes food and drink donations.

4:00 library closes and we set-up clues upstairs.

5:30-6:15- first group starts with 3 sections: easy mystery in children’s section with story about a book monster destroying books. Middle section of library near circ desk will be a mid-level difficulty. Mid-level is a story of a librarian requesting overdue books to be returned. Adult section will have a rare book theme.

High SocieTea- Possible fundraiser with a “take Mom to tea” theme for Mother’s Day? May 5th (Sat, 3-6) or May 20th (Sun 11-2); max 50 people, we can charge $28 per person. Jessica will find out what the menu would be for a cost of $24.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Rakosi Rosenbloom, Acting Secretary (in place of Eileen Manley)