

FOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2011

Membership: 52 Individual Members (as of Dec. 2011)
12 Business members (as of Dec. 2011)

Meetings: March, May, September, November

Second Hand Prose: 'special 2 day sales' were held on February 12-13, and May 7-8.

Weekday evening sales were held in July, October, November, & December.

January FOL meeting cancelled due to snowstorm

February FOL members voice concern over substantial cuts to the Library Budget at Town Meeting Deliberative Session.

March Greater Hudson Chamber of Commerce acknowledged two FOL members who had been nominated, but not selected, as Citizen of the Year: Linda Kipnes and Jane Bowles.

April National Library Week was celebrated in conjunction with Gerry Rice's retirement. Betsey Martel, Children's Librarian, was the lone staff member receiving special service recognition (5 years). An ad was placed in the HLN thanking our 15 business members.
\$200 was donated for prizes for the National Young People's Poetry Contest.

May In conjunction with the Library Staff, FOL held a 'Coupons for a Cause' Fundraiser on May 22, 2011. The Community Room was filled to capacity for the workshop conducted by nationally recognized author, Kathy Spencer. Proceeds of the event will be used by the Friends specifically for library programs, furnishings, or equipment.
At the May meeting monies were allocated for the Summer Reading Program for children/teens (\$200). Coupons for free books at SHP were given out as part of the Adult Summer Reading Program. Members present at the meeting voted to amend the FOL By-Laws thus establishing a 5 member Board of Directors. Officers elected were: Rick Lagueux, President; David Jelley, Vice-President; Paul Sullivan, Treasurer; Judy Mullins, Corresponding Secretary, and Barbara Kurtze, Recording Secretary.

June Leonard A. Smith Memorial Scholarships were awarded to Mikala Coronis (\$500) and Patrick Nager (\$500). Recently elected Library Trustee, Jennifer Chafe, presented the Scholarships at the Lions Club dinner.
Small temporary signs were purchased to post on the HML lawn during SHP hours.

July First weekday evening Second Hand Prose was held on Thursday, July 28 from 6pm-8pm

August

September FOL purchased a SEE Science Center (Manchester, NH) museum pass. A \$500 assessment by the NH State Library Overdrive consortium was paid by FOL.

October Thursday evening openings of Second Hand Prose continued on October 20, November 17, and December 15.

November FOL members helped put up holiday decorations in the library.

December Santa visited the Library on December 4, 2011. FOL contributed money for film for the Fuji instamatic photos. Home made cookies were made and served by FOL members. Over 200 coloring sheet bookmarks listing FOL business members were distributed to each child who visited Santa. Several FOL members served as Santa's helpers.

FOL sponsored Pete Duquette who sold Read the Trees T shirts at the GFWC Craft Fair on December 4, 2011. Several woodwork items made by Jerry Mullins were also sold.

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Fundraising:

- Second Hand Prose: to benefit scholarship, building fund, NLW
- Sun-catchers and Tote bags
- Pete Duquette's 'Read the Trees' T shirts
- Jerry Mullins woodwork items
- GFWC Jr. Woman's Craft Fair
- Ongoing book sale at the Library
- Membership dues