

Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc.
September 20, 2006

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc., is a membership organization, and will hold its annual general membership meeting on **Wednesday, November 8, at 7PM in the Library/Senior Center's Public Meeting Room**. Mark your calendar and come join us to discuss our past accomplishments and future plans.

***Special Program for the Annual Meeting:
"How Your Library is Funded"***

In view of recent budget shortfalls for the operation of your library, and apparent misconceptions about its funding, the Friends will present a program explaining the funding and operation of the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library, of which the Greene Library is a part, and of the costs and funding specific to our local library. This is a chance for you to become an informed citizen, knowledgeable about these funding issues. A "must attend" for library supporters.

**Support Your Local Library—
Join the Friends**

The Friends of the Greene County Library actively supports and enhances library programs, and acts as an advocate for the library and its funding. Your contributions make these efforts possible. *Year 2007 dues are payable now*. Dues payments may either be left at the Circulation Desk or mailed to the Friends at 222 Main Street, Stanardsville VA 22973. The minimum annual membership dues are \$5, although contributions in excess of that are greatly appreciated. The Friends is a section 501c3 organization, and contributions in excess of the \$5 minimum membership dues are tax deductible. Please join us and help us to continue as a vibrant, active organization.

September 20, 2006 Board Meeting

Present were Board members Deborah Willenborg, John Mitchell, Mary Jo Sopelak, Sharon Lumadue, Jackie Pamenter. Absent were Amy Pence-Lanctot and Cindy Dingedine. Also present: Greene Library Branch Manager Ginny Reese, and guests Rosemary Jarman, and Tom Walsh.

Treasurer's Report John reported that the Friends had \$918.09 in its checking account, which would be reduced to \$728.09 after the legal and filing expenses associated with the Friends' annual maintenance of its corporate status were paid.

Library Staff Change Ginny reported that Kathy Bowers had resigned from the library staff. The position had been posted and the posting would close on September 29. Ginny noted that no staff would be reassigned from other branches to compensate for Kathy's absence, since substitute hours were eliminated from the current year's library operating budget.

DVD Shelving Ginny also noted that Steve Rothman had volunteered his services to assemble the new DVD shelving for the library. The Board expressed its thanks to Steve for this service.

Recognition of Libby Carpenter Libby Carpenter's eight years of service to the community as its representative on the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library's Board of Trustees will be recognized at the annual membership meeting on November 8.

Festival of the Book Mary Jo advised that arrangements were being completed for the Greene Library to be the venue for a 2007 Virginia Festival of the Book program. The program will feature Charlottesville author Amy Lee-Tai, whose book "The Place Where Sunflowers Grow" takes a child's perspective on a Japanese American internment camp during World War II. The text of the book is in both Japanese and English, and the volume is beautifully illustrated. The book was inspired by the author's family's internment experience and the artwork of her grandmother, a prominent Japanese American artist. Amy will discuss the inspiration and motivation behind her book, weaving in many topics including the little-known camp art schools. She will do a reading and take questions. Copies of the book will be available for sale following the program.

The program will be held on **Thursday, March 22, 2007 at 7PM in the Library/Senior Center Public Meeting Room.**

Plan to come, this promises to be a most interesting program.

Annual Membership Meeting As noted above, the Board set Wednesday, November 8, as the date for the annual general membership meeting. The Board anticipates that one Director will need to be elected. Directors are elected for two-year terms, and the Board selects its officers—President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer—for the ensuing calendar year, upon the conclusion of the membership meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John Mitchell
Secretary/Treasurer