

FRIENDS OF CANAAN TOWN LIBRARY
MINUTES FROM APRIL 14, 2008 MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Amy Thurber, Town Librarian at 6:30pm. Those in attendance were Lola Baldwin, Pat Danielson, Joe Frazier, Sharry Keller, Nancy Loomis, and Amy Thurber.

Amy discussed the offer by the Friends of Canaan Village for a group to provide coffee and/or tea for sale at the Canaan Farmers' Market. The market begins on Sunday, May 25 and will continue every Sunday through September 12 from 10am to 1pm. The group present decided this was an undertaking we are unable to take on at the present time but may be something we would consider for the summer of 2009.

The group decided to adopt the sample by-laws with the removal of the statement that the vice president would become the president-elect the following year. Volunteers for officers are Nancy Loomis as treasurer and Pat Danielson as secretary. Pat Danielson volunteered to take on the presidency and continue as secretary until one is found. There were several suggestions of people that may be interested in the unfilled positions. Pat will follow up with those names.

We discussed ways to raise money for the group to purchase two flags for the library. One will be a flag with the international symbol for library and the other will be a flag with the word "open" on it. It was decided to have a bake sale/white elephant sale on the day of the Townwide Yard Sale, Saturday, May 10. The library staff and trustees will hold a used book sale in front of the library entrance so we will be on the other side of the entrance to the downstairs meeting room. Members will provide the following supplies. Nancy will take care of the coffee and tea supplies as well as the pots needed. Sharry, Pat and Nancy will provide card tables. Pat will provide sugar substitutes and card table chairs. Joe will provide a tent in case of inclement weather. Nancy will bring petty cash. Joe, Pat, and Nancy will bring several outdoor power cords. We will need to be present from 8am to 2:30pm.

A donation of \$70 was made by the Basement Bookies, the book club that meets in the library. That will tide us over until more money is raised. A bank account will be opened at the Canaan Branch of Mascoma Savings Bank as soon as Nancy receives the \$70.

It was decided to have a plant sale on Saturday, June 14 in front of the library entrance. Several members of the group will be dividing plants so there will be no cost for this. There are other people in town that will also provide plants. Plans to finalize this will be made at the May 12 meeting.

We discussed the topic of a sign to be placed in front of the library to announce various programs. It needs to be seen from both directions. Pat reported on a company that provides these signs. A sign to suit our needs would cost \$149.95 with an extra sign face costing \$49 each. Extra markers cost \$27 since they can be erased but will not run

in the wet weather. Joe discussed his investigation of the possibility of building a sandwich board sign and will work on this and bring us a sample. Pat will purchase the markers to try with the board Joe tests.

The Canaan Artisans will be approached concerning this possibility of designing a logo for the group.

Pat will research contact information for the other non profit groups in town so we can send them a letter announcing our group's formation as well as contact information.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted by Pat Danielson