



Fall 2011 Newsletter

Friends Announces Changes to Membership

At the April, 2011 reorganization and business meeting, the Friends of the Woodbury Public Library (FWPL) voted to adjust membership levels for the first time since its 1989 founding. These changes reflect donation trends observed during the past few years as well as the higher costs to support the purchase of specialty materials, programs and equipment. They are as follows:

◇ Senior Citizen	\$ 5.00
◇ Individual	\$ 10.00
◇ Family	\$ 25.00
◇ Book/CD Dedication	\$ 35.00
◇ Supporter	\$ 50.00
◇ Patron	\$100.00

The new levels will take effect with your membership renewal for the coming year and are reflected on the new membership cards. Your continued support for 22 years is greatly appreciated.

2009–2010

Patrons & Sponsors

Many thanks to our patrons:

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And to our sponsors:

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"The richest person in the world - in fact all the riches in the world - couldn't provide you with anything like the endless, incredible loot available at your local library."

~Malcolm Forbes

Looking Ahead: Needs for 2012

The Friends of the Woodbury Public Library supports a variety of events and items to enrich the library experience. Your continued membership makes this possible.

This year we would like to help purchase a new reading rug for the children's activity room so that they are not sitting on the cold tile floor during story hour. Such a rug has long been on the library's "wish list." Also on the list is a new children's educational software system.

Please return your membership card and help us!

Our Winners!

To start off summer 2010, FWPL held a raffle with some great prizes. The winners were:

- 1st place Hazel Skinner - Kindle e-reader
- 2nd place Bonnie Dann - Phillies tickets
- 3rd place Kimberly Heughan - basket of children's books
- 4th place Doug Adams - set of Twilight book series

For 2011, we sponsored an Adult Summer Reading Program. Our grand prize winner, Jennifer Murphy, won a Color Nook e-reader.

Congratulations to all our winners!

How Your 2010 Donations Were Used

Last year your contributions helped us to freshen library equipment and furniture, sponsor programs and enable the library to join a network providing free e-books and audio books for you to download to your iPods, MP3 players, and e-readers. Here is what member donations provided:

Chair reupholstering.

After years of hard use, the chairs needed to be redone and you provided the funding. All nine easy chairs were restored and reupholstered. (Thanks also go to our own FWPL member, decorator Kay Blinebury, for supplying her expertise and helping us choose an attractive durable fabric.)



Before



After

New answering machine.

Minor as it may seem, getting an answering machine that actually works was major to the library staff.

Network connection providing downloadable audio books and eBooks

An ever-increasing use of devices such as iPods, MP3 players, smart phones and a variety of e-readers have created a demand for access to electronic books. The established library budget could not absorb this cost, but the FWPL believed the service was important. It paid for the first year's subscription. Now all library card holders can download audiobooks and e-books directly to their electronic devices.

To participate in this service, use your library card at www.woodburylibrary.org. On the left hand column click on the box that says "Download" and follow the instructions. Each downloaded book lasts two weeks but if you haven't finished reading or listening to it you can re-download the book at the end of that time.

After-school art program for children.

This has become an annual after-school program that is anticipated and enjoyed by the city's children. Matching funds are provided by the Gloucester County Cultural & Heritage Commission.



Matching funds for adult programs.

A grant given by the Gloucester County Cultural & Heritage Commission required matching funds to pay for two programs: "Unlacing the Victorian Woman" and an evening about 19th century New Jersey photographers and their work. Both programs were enjoyed by the attendees.



New computer workstation for two people.

Woodbury's public computer access is a vital and heavily used service, important to students and adults alike. Patrons use these computers to do homework, perform job searches, conduct research and stay in touch with friends and family.

New fax machine for public use.

The public fax machine has been well received and is very popular.



THANK YOU!
***For funding all these projects. You
and all library patrons now benefit
from them every day.***