



Friends of the James Blackstone Memorial Library Member Newsletter

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2007 COOKIE SALE GREAT SUCCESS

The Cookie Sale held in December yielded \$1,000.00 even though the weather was inclement and we had to reschedule. But as usual, FRIENDS' volunteers took it in stride and produced another success. Thank you, Polly Fitz, for chairing the event and working so hard.

The following are the names of the callers, bakers, receivers, wrappers and sellers: Alexine Wallace, Harriet White, Cathy Young, Marge Thompson, Linda Torre, Sally Sitnew, Audrey Nelson, Lori Nicholas, Barbara Mattson, Alice L. Lambert, John and Alice Lambert, Barbara Lee, Nancy Lynch, Priscilla Kissick, Betty Johnson, Barbara Johnson, Winifred B. Judge, Polly Fitz, Ann Davis, Mary Davis, Judith DeCaprio, Fran Dombrowski, Berclee Cameron, Angela Carrano, Mary Crowley, Marie Crowley, Joanne Cleary, Mary Cleary, Lisa Cleveland, Marie Crouch, Elizabeth Barnes, Ann Ballard, Beth Behan, Rosemary Booth, Joan Burdick, Michala Brakin, Donna Bozzuto, Jane Bouley, Gusta Abels, Irene Ayres, Joan Armstrong, Daria Ague, Joan Ahern, Mary Ainley, Philamena Acunzo.

BOOK APPRAISAL

Because of popular requests, John Loeb and Curt Wendler have agreed to appraise books on Saturday, April 19, 2008 in the library auditorium from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. John and Curt handle the vintage books at the annual Book Sale. John is also a Trustee of the Library. Curt runs Curt Wendler Rare Books in Old Saybrook. A slight fee will be asked for each book with the proceeds going to the FRIENDS. Bring in a book you've always wondered about to find out if it's worth something.

BOARD OF THE FRIENDS

The following people serve on the FRIENDS' Board. President, Richmond Browne; Vice President, Polly Fitz; Secretary, Harriet White; Treasurer Joan Ahern; Assistant Treasurer, Alice L. Lambert; Director of the JBML, Kathy Reiger. In addition to the officers are Beverly Madeska, Carol Fitzgerald, Irene Ayres, Lee Sullivan, Gerry Reider, Donna Roy, Tom Wilson and Audrey Nelson.

BOOK SALE COLLECTING

Gerry Reider, chair of the Sorters, announced that there will be sorters available to accept your books beginning on Friday, April 11. This begins their work of sorting every Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. She said you can still drop off your books in the bin at the Volunteer Services Center (VSC), 30 Harrison Ave., at any time because the bins are checked and emptied daily. If you're concerned about the books not sold at the Sale, she wants you to know that none are thrown into the landfill. They are donated to a local chapter of Big Brothers/Big Sisters who sell them and use that money to provide activities for the children. Gerri also feels that we are off to a fabulous start this year. If you would like to become a sorter please contact Gerry at 483-1860. I've heard they have lots of fun.

MINI-BOOK SALES

We are discussing with Kathy Reiger, Director of the Blackstone, the possibility of holding another mini-book sale in the Library this spring.