April 26 – 29, 2019

23rd Annual Used Book Sale

Join us at the South County Park Fairgrounds, The Grange Building, Route 179, Lambertville, NJ 08530.

**Friday, April 26** - Preview Sale Hours: 1 – 4:30 PM (Application is enclosed with this mailing.)

**Saturday, April 27** - Early Bird Admission Hours: 8 – 10AM

Early Bird Admission is FREE to FOHCL members presenting 2019 membership cards. All others age 18 years and over pay $20 for Early Bird Admission.

Free Public Admission Hours: 10AM – 5PM

**Sunday, April 28** - Half-price Day Hours: 10AM – 3PM

Nonprofit, Educator and Volunteer Gleaning Hours: 3:30 – 5PM

**Monday, April 29** - Bag Sale Hours: 9 AM – 2 PM. We provide the bags, $5 each.

**DONATIONS**

Book Donation Drives will be held on two consecutive Saturdays, April 13 and 20, at the Fairgrounds. Charitable donation forms are available at the book donation drives, during all volunteer sorting hours, and at the Libraries. Donation Drop-off Hours:

9 AM – 2 PM

*Gates open and close promptly at the designated times.*

Please bring large quantities to the Book Donation Drives, if possible. Donations to North County branch library are unlimited BUT donations at the HQ Library and South County (Ringoes) Branch Libraries are limited to 1-2 bags/boxes due to limited space. Donations accepted during business hours **April 15 – 18**. Please note that Libraries are closed on Good Friday, April 19.

**Acceptable DONATIONS** - In boxes with lids, if possible:

- Hardback & Paperback Books for Adults and Children
- DVDs, CDs, Audiobooks on CD, Video Games & Sheet Music

We will not accept, because we cannot sell:

- LPs/Vinyl
- Former Library Books
- *Reader's Digest* Condensed Books
- Textbooks
- Catalogs & Magazines (including *National Geographic*)
- Torn, soiled, moldy, mildewed or badly worn items

- Cassette Tapes of any kind
- Encyclopedias
- Advanced Reader Copies
- Computer & Business Books (published before 2010)

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VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP and
NEW AND RENEWING MEMBERSHIP

Volunteers are needed for sale setup from Wednesday, April 10 through cleanup Wednesday, May 1. Yellow Volunteer Opportunities forms are available at library circulation desks. Submit a completed form for each individual volunteer. Please make a copy of your volunteer times for your reference. We depend on you fulfilling your shifts!

Be sure to either newly join or renew your FOHCL membership for 2019-20. Membership forms and return envelopes are also available at the libraries. Volunteer high schoolers and undergraduate college students wanting to earn community service hours will be given honorary 2019 memberships.

Special Note to all Volunteers: Please bring your donations ON or preferably BEFORE Saturday, April 20. No donations will be accepted after April 20.

PRICES

Hardbacks, large/trade paperbacks and children’s hardback books are $2.00. Mass market paperbacks and children’s soft cover books are 50¢. Special items will be individually priced and found either on the sale floor or in the Special Collections Boutique. All books will be sorted into fiction categories, non-fiction categories and children’s categories.

Our Book Sale would not be possible without our wonderful volunteers. Please visit the Hunterdon County Library website – click on the FOHCL page to download a Volunteer Form and a Membership Form. We NEED you and we have plenty to keep you busy!

ANNUAL PREVIEW SALE

Our Annual Preview Sale is back to one session this year. An additional 30 minutes have been added to the session time: 1-4:30 PM on Friday, April 26, 2019. This year 65 FOHCL members can purchase tickets at $65 per person. You will find the details on the Preview Application Sheet available at library circulation desks. Attendees may browse at their leisure through all our books during the Preview Sale before our Book Sale officially begins. We welcome both new and returning Preview attendees.

GLEANING INFORMATION

FOHCL is pleased to welcome Nonprofit Organizations and Educators to attend Gleaning on Sunday afternoon, April 28, 2019, from 3:30 – 5 PM. There is no charge to glean and the books your organization gleanes are free! Just bring your own boxes/bags for packing.

If you are interested or know a nonprofit organization or an educator who would be interested in gleaning, email fohclgleaning@gmail.com to receive the registration guidelines and registration form in advance. Registration at the door may delay your entry to the sale floor.

All book sale volunteers are also invited to glean on Sunday afternoon during gleaning hours.

BOOK SALE CONTACT for
GENERAL INFORMATION

HCL Reference Desk for Questions: 908-788-1434
Mailing Address: FOHCL, 314 State Route 12, Building #3, Flemington, NJ 08822
Website: www.hclibrary.us/friends/booksale.htm
Email: fohclfriends@gmail.com

Shout Out to the Friends!

Here’s what a Friends member and library patron said about a recent exhibit at a museum in the Friends’ Museum Pass Program. The program offers library patrons free admission to several museums. To learn more about the program, visit the Library’s website at www.hclibrary.us and select the Services tab.

“I visited the Hunterdon Art Museum last week. I did it on the spur of the moment and the ticket was available at HCL Headquarters. The exhibit was very enjoyable and the lace was amazing.”
As I close in finishing one full year working here at Hunterdon County Library I have been reflecting back at what we have accomplished in 2018 and looking forward to our plans for 2019.

2018 had many highlights including moving all of Non Fiction to the same level at Headquarters but I believe the biggest accomplishment was the move of the South County Library back to East Amwell. The planning, preparation and work that went into the move was considerable, and of course it would have been much less successful without the support of FOHCL. The financial support to hire professional library movers as well as replacing the carpeting helped make the move the success it was. Since the grand opening, the staff at South County have heard from many excited library users about how much having the library back in their community means to them.

2019 is looking to be an exciting year as well. We will continue to redesign the spaces at Headquarters and North County as we try to design a flexible library space for the varied needs of our residents. We are also planning on embarking on strategic planning this year. We will be reaching out to FOHCL members to see if they would like to participate in a focus group as we plan the future of our library.

Next up is the opening of the North County Branch on Sundays, 1-5 for the first time in branch history. We are starting this initiative in March 2019 and the staff and library administration are excited about this new opportunity to serve our community.

As always, I want to thank you all for your support of our library. Your support can be seen in so many ways, from carpet in South County, to the extremely popular music programs to the 3D printing project for 4H Robotics Club. We all look forward to working with FOHCL in 2019.

~ James K. Kehbler ~

2019 Meeting Dates

For your information: Board meetings and general membership meetings for 2019 are listed below. If you have comments or ideas about the Friends, please feel free to contact a board member at fohclfriends@gmail.com

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Friends Say Farewell to Long Time FOHCL Volunteers

FOHCL is sorry to report the passing of another one of its founding members. Kenneth I. Jagel, Jr., passed away in January 2019. Ken and his wife Millie were founding members of FOHCL. Ken was always a supportive presence at the Book Sales and many other activities of FOHCL, particularly when Millie was very active with FOHCL and serving as Co-President with Bill Newitt.

Ken served on the Hunterdon County Library Commission from 1995 to 2012 including several years as Chair of the Commission. The planning and construction of the North County Branch Library, which was dedicated in 1999, happened during his tenure. He was heavily involved in the renovation of the Route 12 Headquarters Library which was completed in March 2006. He was also at the helm and involved in the Library Director search and interview process that resulted in the hiring of Mark Titus in 2005 (who retired as Director in 2017). Ken retired from the Commission in 2012, when he and Millie moved to a retirement community in Pennsylvania. Our best wishes go out to Millie and her family.

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FOHCL is also sorry to report that Linda Ann Weibel Beck has passed away. Linda was a willing, cheerful, long-time FOHCL member (over 20 years) and volunteer at the Annual Used Book Sale. She helped wherever she saw a need: routinely showing up for the first day of set up and the last day of clean up and most days in between. She swept the floor and wiped down the tables whether it was at the Armory or the Grange at South County Park, both before the sale and after the sale was over. She transported donations in bags and boxes from the Route 12 Headquarters Library in her trusty van and then re-filled it, often daily, with cardboard, plastic bottles and anything else recyclable to take to the recycle center because she felt nothing should go to landfill if at all possible.

Above all, Linda took on the challenge of categorizing the Children’s Area at the Book Sale many years ago. The Children’s Area began as boxes on the floor of the Hunterdon County Library and then on the Flemington National Guard Armory drill floor. Next, it took over the entire Rifle Range in the Armory Building A. Now it resides in the back corner of The Grange. She saw herself as an aid to the Preview Sale buyers who specialized in reselling children’s books. She recruited volunteer helpers each year and together they created a welcoming Children’s Area. Her vision for sale days was to create a space for children themselves to browse and to buy.

Linda was the mother of Andy Beck, our FOHCL volunteer who ably assists in managing traffic and parking and driving our rental truck. He also helps at set up and clean up and many days in between, just as his mom did, even while working full time.

After our 2018 Book Sale ended, Linda was diagnosed with cancer. Many book sale volunteers got to see her at our October dinner where Linda herself shared the news of her diagnosis with other FOHCL volunteers. She passed away in late December 2018. We will miss her very much at the 2019 Book Sale. And we think that many of our Book Sale customers, of all ages, will too. Our best wishes go out to her husband Larry and to Andy and to the whole family.

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Farewell, cont.

Mary Fedorko, another longtime member of FOHCL passed away in January 2019. Hers was always a cheerful face at the book sale and other FOHCL activities. She regularly wrote letters to the editors of local papers to praise the book sale and other community activities. Mary had many interests in addition to FOHCL: she was an active member of her local book group and took college classes into her eighties. From her obituary: “Perhaps her greatest delight was serving as a hostess for over 100 Hunterdon County Adult Education tours across the United States and in Europe. Her role allowed her to travel widely, learning eagerly about the places she visited and the people she met. Mary is predeceased by her beloved husband of sixty-eight years, Nick Fedorko.” Our best wishes go out to the Fedorko family.

~Jean Allured~

President’s Message

Looking back, 2018 was a productive year for the Friends. We continued our financial support of popular programs such as the Fred Miller concerts, movie series, and Maker’s Day. Last year also saw the expansion of several programs. The Friends increased our funding for the Library’s e-book collection so more patrons could enjoy them. We added three new museums to our Museum Pass Program: Hunterdon Art Museum (Clinton), Morven Museum & Garden (Princeton) and Eastern State Penitentiary Historical Site (Philadelphia). Lastly, we increased our grants to our seven affiliated libraries. The libraries use the funds to further their mission.

The Friends also supported new offerings, such as the start-up for a new youth services enrichment program, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics). The program is scheduled to begin this year.

This year promises to be another exciting year. The Friends will host a fun, social event called “Oscars at the Library” on February 23. The Event Planning Committee, Tiffany Althoff, Pam Bailey, Sally Dougan, and I look forward to seeing you there! Please see the article in this newsletter for details.

The Book Sale committee has been busy planning and preparing for our annual Used Book Sale in the spring. I know several members who have a unique way of marking the date of our book sale. They know it’s time for the sale when their stack of books from the previous year’s sale is almost gone. If you haven’t volunteered at the sale, it is a wonderful opportunity to meet other members and contribute to our major fundraiser (and County tradition). There is more information about the sale in this newsletter.

The Board will be holding a strategy meeting this month to explore how we can improve our services and programs to patrons and Friends members. I will tell you more about our progress in upcoming newsletters. The Board welcomes your suggestions and ideas. If you enjoyed a particular Friends-sponsored event or service, please tell us. You can contact the Board at fohclfriends@gmail.com.

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**FRIENDS Present “Oscars at the Library”**

The Friends will host “Oscars at the Library” on Saturday, February 23, at the North County Branch Library, 65 Halstead Street, Clinton. The event begins at 2:00 p.m.

Join us for a celebration of movies and the books that inspired them. We will have an Oscar contest, Red Carpet Photo Booth, and other fun activities. There will also be prizes and light refreshments.

All are welcome (members and nonmembers). Registration is not required, but appreciated to help us plan. You may register for the event on the Library’s Calendar of Events (www.hclibrary.us). Drop-ins are welcome!

In case of inclement weather, we will follow the NCB library’s closure policies.

Snow date: March 9 at the Headquarters Library, Route 12, 314 State Route 12, Flemington.

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**Friends Fund NCB Library’s Winter Music Series**

The Friends of the Hunterdon County Library are excited to fund the North County Branch Library’s Winter Music Series, which promises to be a capacity crowd event.

Elvis was in the building on January 12 to launch the popular series. Bob McArthur provided an entertaining and energetic tribute to Elvis, performing songs representing Presley’s entire career. Following the program, Bob greeted audience members, many of whom asked to have their picture taken with him.

There were several audience members who had attended an Elvis concert, including Cynthia Coppola-Beyea, a member of the Friends. Cynthia had a special memory of Elvis as she saw the humanitarian side of the entertainer. Elvis held a special concert in 1961 to raise funds for the USS Arizona Memorial in Pearl Harbor. According to Cynthia, in addition to performing free, Elvis also purchased 200 tickets so hospital staff and service members could attend as his guest.

Cynthia remembers that Elvis was “sensational, down-to-earth, joking with the audience.” He also shared his love for America. Elvis’s generosity inspired Cynthia beyond the concert. She and a benefactor created the Hunterdon County Viet Nam Veterans Memorial in Flemington.

The series also includes a Jazz concert by Kazzrie Jaxen and Don Messina on February 2, and romantic oldies and Motown by Jaime and Nancy DeJesus on February 16. According to Dana Neubauer, NCB Librarian and Adult Programs Coordinator, the Jaime and Nancy DeJesus’s concert is already filled. However, there is good news for those who missed the Elvis concert. There was such an enthusiastic response that Dana booked an encore Elvis concert in the spring.

Dana explained that she schedules the NCB’s Winter Music Series on Saturdays to “accommodate daytime driving and offer patrons something special during the winter weekends.”

You can register using the Events Calendar at www.hclibrary.us or call (908) 730-6135.

~Ann Marie Queeney~
Honoring J. William “Bill” Newitt

Bill Newitt was a founding member of FOHCL in 1996, serving over the years as Vice President, Co-President as well as Book Sale Co-Chair. He was appointed by the Board of Chosen Freeholders to the Hunterdon County Library Commission in 2008 where he served until his passing in 2018.

Bill’s family asked that in lieu of flowers donations be sent to The Friends of the Hunterdon County Library. We appreciate that very much. Donations totaling nearly $800 were received. In consultation with Bill’s family and in light of Bill’s love of airplanes and his long-term volunteering at the FOHCL Annual Book Sale, we have chosen to purchase the following items:

- A beautiful triptych of the Wright Brothers Flyer
- A collage of traffic-directing items that Bill used for many years while volunteering at FOHCL’s Annual Used Book Sale
- A biplane weathervane (see photo below)

These first three items will be hung on the second floor at the Headquarters Library on Route 12 in Flemington, NJ.

Six books related to flying have been added to the Hunterdon County Library collection in Bill’s name. They are:

- Unforgettable. My 10 Best Flights, by Lane Wallace
- Fate is the Hunter. A Pilot’s Memoir, by Ernest K. Gann
- No Parachute. A Fighter Pilot in World War I, by Arthur Gould Lee
- Fly Girls. How Five Daring Women Defied All Odds and made Aviation History, by Keith O’Brien
- Frozen in Time. An Epic Story of Survival and a Modern Quest for Lost Heroes of World War II, by Mitchell Zuckoff
- A Higher Call. An Incredible True Story of Combat and Chivalry in the War-Torn Skies of World War II, by Adam Makos with Larry Alexander

Finally, we will be donating extra funds to a library program Bill loved: the Hunterdon County Library Maker’s Day (an all-day, all age, statewide program with hands-on activities using science, technology, electronics and mathematics) offered at both the North County and South County Branches.

These items will be installed in the coming months. We hope you will stop by the Hunterdon County Library next spring to see them.

Resolutions remembering Bill have been unanimously passed both by the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Hunterdon County Library Commission in November 2018. In addition, President of FOHCL Ann Marie Queeney paid tribute to Bill at the Friends’ General Meeting on October 24, 2018. Bill is missed by all who knew and appreciated him so much.

~Jean Allured~
President’s Message, cont.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge our newsletter editor, Karen Mitchell. Karen does a super job of providing members and patrons with an attractive, informative newsletter. As always, thank you for your support as a Friends member and volunteer. You make the Friends’ many contributions to our Library possible.

~Ann Marie Queeney ~

Upcoming Events
Sponsored by the Friends of Hunterdon County Library

Movie Night, First Man
Thursday, February 21, 6 pm
Headquarters Library

“Oscars at the Library”
Saturday, February 23, 2 pm
North County Branch Library

FOHCL Book Club
Thursday, February 28th, 7 pm
It Can’t Happen Here, by Sinclair Lewis
Headquarters Library

Questions?: fohclfriends@gmail.com

Further details, updates, event registration (when required) and additional events can be found at the Library Events webpage, www.hclibrary.us. You may also register for events by calling the library where the event is scheduled:

Headquarters (HQ), 908-788-1434, or North County Branch (NCB), 908-730-6135.

FOHCL Membership Application

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Are you a:

☐ New Member  ☐ Renewing Member

Method of Payment:

☐ Check enclosed. Make check payable to FOHCL.

If you can help with a committee, please check those matching your interest. The committee chairperson will contact you.

☐ Book Sale  ☐ Program/Hospitality

☐ Membership  ☐ Newsletter/Publicity

☐ Outreach  ☐ Textbook Scholarship

Please mail this application to:

Friends of the Hunterdon County Library, 314 State Route 12, Building # 3, Flemington, NJ 08822