



## Friends of RADL

### March 2021 Newsletter

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**Hello, Friends! Yes, you are correct. Our Membership Meetings remain paused . . .**

#### **One Year Ago Today . . .**

- was our last Membership Meeting, first Tuesday of the month,
- many of our members were in Florida that day,
- we had 91 members, having just picked up 5 at the Wine & Craft Beer Tasting,
- Ruth Mutchler reported on the Wine & Craft Beer Tasting and the group cheered her tremendous leadership, for the third year, bless you Ruth,
- we approved a *Houghton Lake Resorter* ad to thank Fifth Street Wines, Fred's and the community for supporting the Wine & Craft Beer Tasting,
- volunteers were lined up for the Battle of the Books Elimination Battle at RADL the following Saturday,
- Ann Jordan and Connie Allen suggested the Friends should form a team to challenge the BOB readers, for fun, at the elimination party next year,
- Sue Glover outlined plans for a committee to gather ideas for possible spending to be done by Friends in support of RADL, and
- can you remember what you ordered for lunch that day? (I had soup, I think. Because I almost always had soup! - LB)

#### **Membership & Treasurer's Report**

Membership chairperson, Lisa Sutton, reports we currently have 88 paid members. During a shutdown and pandemic. 88 members! Isn't that amazing?

The Treasurer's Report is attached. Two expenditures were made for annual dues to the Higgins Lake Roscommon Chamber of Commerce and fee for insurance with Auto Owner's Insurance, as authorized by the Standing Rules in the Bylaws.

#### **Family Fare Receipts**

**Yippie! The \$1,000 check arrived!** As reflected in the Treasurer's Report, a check from SpartanNash has been deposited. Last year, we collected, counted and submitted \$150,000 in Family Fare receipts to earn the \$1,000 donation. Normally there would be a check presentation at our Roscommon Family Fare. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the check was mailed directly to the Friends. **Thank you to our Roscommon Family Fare for participating in this program. Thank you to all of you who saved and counted receipts!**

## **Yes - We are still collecting receipts.**

- We collected the last set in less than a year, even during a shutdown,
- Mary Lou Jennette did the January count. Thank you! Since October, we have **\$88,000** in receipts. Fantastic! Sue and Kerensa Huffman are counting now.
- So, keep stuffing the box in the vestibule at RADL.
- **Please note - your “Yes” card (not the store’s) must be used at time of purchase to receive the “Direct Your Dollars” credit and the entire receipt is needed and should be turned in. Purchases may be made at any SpartanNash store.**

## **Amazon Smile Donations**

As reflected in the Treasurer’s report, in February we received **\$30.71** as a donation from the Amazon Smile program. Easy money! You can sign up online at your Amazon account.

## **RADL News**

Hours: **RADL** Tuesday-Friday, 10am-5pm Saturday, 10am-3pm **Lyon Branch** Tuesday - Friday, 10am - 3pm

**It’s Dr. Seuss Week at RADL!** Keep an eye on Facebook or the library’s website for funny Seussisms all week. When visiting RADL, enjoy **The Story Walk** featuring everyone’s favorite, The Cat in the Hat!

Plans for the **RADL Battle** (in lieu of Battle of the Books this year) continue. The staff selected some great books to challenge the readers.

**Wanted at RADL:** The staff uses antibacterial wipes everyday to keep the library sparkling and sanitized. Donations of canisters of wipes, any brand, any size, would be greatly appreciated. If you can help, just drop them off at the library. Thank you, the staff appreciates how you’ve been bringing in the canisters.

## **Hemingway Film**

Friend Rita Battocletti shares news of a new Ken Burns film debuting in April on PBS. Ken Burns and Lynn Novick’s three-part, six-hour documentary series, HEMINGWAY, examines the visionary work and turbulent life of one of the greatest and most influential American writers – Ernest Hemingway. Intimate and insightful, the series weaves together Hemingway’s biography with excerpts from his fiction, non-fiction and personal correspondence – a structure that nods to Hemingway’s own creative process of drawing inspiration from lived experience. The film penetrates the mythology surrounding Hemingway – cultivated by his larger than life exploits, public bravado, and occasional tall-tale – to reveal a deeply troubled and ultimately tragic figure. His story is told with the help of interviews with literary scholars, celebrated writers including Edna O’Brien, Mario Vargas Llosa, Abraham Verghese, and Tobias Wolff, and Hemingway’s son, Patrick. Six years in the making, HEMINGWAY is a treasure trove of rarely seen photographs and archival footage. ***Hemingway premieres April 5-7 on PBS. (6 hours) Find out more at <https://kenburns.com/films/hemingway/>*** Thank you, Rita!

Friends of RADL Officers & Committee Leaders President - Linda Brick, Vice President - Heidi Luebke, Secretary - Sue Glover, Treasurer - Lisa Sutton, Trustees -Steve Remenar & Linda Udy. Leadership Committee Leaders: Membership - Lisa Sutton, Publicity - Linda Brick, Landscape - Joyce Ballard (All “boo-boo’s are mine! Sorry. :) Linda)