Remembering Martyn

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing of Martyn Freed, a past president of the Friends of PCPL, who died July 24, 2018, at the age of 87.

Martyn held the office of President of the Friends for five years from 2004 to 2008 and was recognized as Volunteer of the Year in 2009.

He saw the transition of the former Library in the Community House to our new building on E. Hartford Street. Before he was President, Martyn wore many hats. He served as Membership Chair, Publicity Chair, Newsletter Editor and Luncheon Chair (all at the same time) and, eventually, Vice President under Jane Goldstein. His magnetic personality drew many newcomers to join the Friends organization.

Born in England on December 28, 1930, Martyn appeared as a child star in British films. He attended culinary school in his younger days, emigrated to the U.S.A., and drew upon his culinary background to become an executive with the Sara Lee Bakery Corporation in New Jersey.

After his tenure as Friends President, Martyn continued to be active as President of the local chapter of AARP. He possessed a flair for the theatre, and was associated with the American Readers Group. He performed a solo “Cellophane” with the 1ri-State-Chorus.

The PCPL received his generous donation of classic DVD films from his personal collection when our Library was still located in the Community House.

Until recent years, Martyn regularly joined the Library Bus trips to New York City, organizing a theatre and luncheon date with 15 to 20 of his closest friends.

Martyn is survived by two sons, two grandsons, one great granddaughter and a host of close friends.

We remember Martyn’s gregarious personality and generosity as a life well lived. Farewell, dear Friend of the Library.

Volunteers and Staff Members Recognized at Friends Annual Luncheon

About 50 people attended the luncheon on Thursday October 18, 2018, hosted by the Friends for the Library staff and our volunteers. Linda Columbo, Barbara Meyer and Nancy Babcock (left) beautifully decorated the Community Room for all. An assortment of delicious sandwiches and salads was served including a dessert featuring a “Thank You” sheet cake (right), cookies and Marilyn Schultz’s famous tarts. This appreciation luncheon recognizes all the help the Friends receive in order to operate their very successful book room and book sales.
From the Friends President

As we begin 2019, our officers remain the same: President, Marcy Livingston; Vice President, Joyce Clark; Treasurer, Irene DeVito; Secretary, Pat Corcoran; Members at Large, Anne Buehler and Marilyn Schultz. This year the office of Corresponding Secretary has been eliminated and the duties will be assumed by the Secretary.

Once again I am urging our members to step up and fill an officer position. As our organization ages, we need new members to carry on our mission. Please consider working with the Friends to keep our organization active.

On a positive note, this year the Friends were able to donate $13,785. to the Library to help cover needed items to improve library services.

Since the Library is NOT reflected in your property taxes (as in many states), it relies on the state and county for funding. Those funds do not cover all their expenses.

This year is the fifth anniversary of the new Library. We are pleased to announce that over those five years the Friends have donated $56,435, enabling the Library to enhance its resources. In addition, the book room and book sales have brought in $75,344 over five years, including $15,272 for the first ten months of 2018, with November and December income not reflected in that amount.

THANK YOU

The Friends and our intrepid travelers owe a big thank you to Key Foods and Walmart who allow us to park at their facilities for our adventures. Junior Dabashi and his brother-in-law Ali not only allow us to park at Key Foods, but also generously donated 1000 plastic bags for use at our book sales. Thank you both! Rocco Fasulo, the manager of our local Walmart, generously allows us to use their parking lot not only when we have two buses, but also for our overnight trips. Having the use of a secure, well-lit parking lot is a plus when we return after dark. Thank you Rocco! We can all show our appreciation by shopping at their stores.

We encourage you to join the Friends and volunteer your time to support the Library, a valuable resource in Pike County.

Marcy Livingston

From the PCPL Executive Director

Happy New Year to all of the Friends of the Library! I am glad to report on another wonderful year in our Library.

Most notably the Pike County Public Library was nominated for a National Medal of Museum and Library Services by Senator Pat Toomey. We are deeply honored to be recognized for our hard work and partnerships with community members and organizations.

The Dingman Township branch also received a grant from the Greater Pike Community Foundation to partially fund a Community Garden. After the installation of the garden in the Spring of 2019, we are planning to have gardening programs and donations of fresh vegetables and flowers to those in need.

Over the next 12 months, the Library hopes not only to continue to grow a collection of books and other items to fulfill the wants and needs of our patrons, but also create a space for community members and visitors that is welcoming and warm.

The Library's relationship to volunteers such as you is one of our most important partnerships because you fill the gaps that otherwise we could not. Whether it is organizing shelves in the book room, volunteering during a special event or helping to stuff envelopes, we are very appreciative of your help.

Thank you again for your hard work and dedication to the Pike County Public Library. I hope to see you soon!

Rose Chiocchi
**SPRING 2019 FRIENDS BUS TRIPS**

**TRIP GUIDELINES**
We'd love for you to join us on our trips. In order to secure your reservation, send your check to the Trip Coordinator:
Christine Cohen
P.O. Box 706
Milford PA

Make your check payable to: Friends of PCPL. Be sure to include the name(s) and phone numbers of every person you are paying for. Please write the month or name of the trip in the memo line of your check. Do not drop off payments at the library, please! Reservations are honored in the order that payments arrive, so be sure to send your checks in without delay. And remember — I cannot confirm your reservation if you don’t include your phone or email information! If you have any questions or suggestions for future trips, we’d love to hear from you. You can send an email to: chrisco@ptd.net. You can call or text from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at 570-233-0322. Thank you for your support, and remember that proceeds from each trip raise money for the Friends of the Pike County Public Library.

**WED. MARCH 20**
**HUNTERDON HILLS PLAYHOUSE**
Come celebrate the first day of Spring by joining us for an all new show, designed especially for the HH Playhouse: TAKE ME AWAY! One bus will leave Key Foods at 9:30 a.m. Upon arrival, a host of lively street performers will greet you and set the scene as if you are on the bustling streets of jolly Covent Garden, London, as Sherlock Holmes and his trusted sidekick, Dr. Watson, embark on a hilarious musical quest to solve the age-old mystery of….love! Cost is $105 per person and includes lunch, a dazzling all-you-can-eat dessert buffet, and travel. There is on-site shopping for baked goods, jewelry and apparel that you can enjoy too. Refund date: March 13.

**WED. APRIL 17 NEW YORK CITY ON YOUR OWN – ONE BUS ONLY!**
One bus will depart Key Foods at 8 a.m. sharp and take us to Midtown. See a show! Dine on Restaurant Row! Go shopping, and take in the many wonderful sites within walking distance of our drop-off on 8th and 51st. Bus departs the city from same location at 5:30 p.m. Cost is $35 per person. Refund date: April 16.

**TUES. – THURS. MAY 14 -16**
**NEWPORT & PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND**
Come see some of the most famous mansions in American history and some of the finest waterfront locations in our landscape. Venture with us to Rhode Island where we will dine at waterfront restaurants. Lodge at the historic beachfront Newport Beach Hotel, and partake in the shopping and sights including DePasquale Square and its own “Little Italy” on historic Federal Hill, the Breakers Mansion (birthplace of Gloria Vanderbilt) and the Newport Grand Slots Casino. A step-on guide will join us for 10-Mile Drive, including Hammersmith Farm famous as the “Summer White House” of the Kennedy Administration. We’ll enjoy a guided tour of historical Providence, RI. Cost is $525 per person for DOUBLE occupancy; $595 per person SINGLE. Price includes 2 breakfasts, 2 group lunches and dinner on the waterfront. The hotel is on the beach and has a pool, hot tub, and fire pit for our enjoyment. A deposit of $100 per person secures reservation. Full amount is DUE by April 2 or you risk forfeiting your reservation! Bus will depart from Walmart on 6 and 209. Time T.B.D.

Full itinerary provided in weeks before trip.

**TUES. JUNE 25**
**WINTERTHUR /THE CROWN EXHIBIT**
One bus will depart Key Foods at 8 a.m. We’ll stop for lunch at the lovely Brandywine Prime Inn, and then arrive at Winterthur Mansion and Museum in Delaware. We start with a tram ride around their famous gardens and arrive at the front door for a guided tour of the house. After the tour you’ll have time on your own for the various galleries, which include a special exhibit of over 40 gowns, crowns and costumes from The Crown (based on the reign of Queen Elizabeth I). Famous for its collection of American art, Winterthur’s unparalleled collection of nearly 90,000 objects dates from 1630 to 1860, and includes paintings, glass, furniture and textiles. Cost is $99 per person and includes a terrific lunch, travel, driver’s tip and all museum tickets. Refund date is June 18.

**WED. JULY 10 PHILADELPHIA**
**MUSEUM OF ART OR ON YOUR OWN**
Venture to the heart of the City of Brotherly Love, our nation’s first capital. We’ll be delivered to the Museum of Art where you can peruse masterpieces, sculpture, antique furniture and relics or venture down the famous steps of that museum to Benjamin Franklin Parkway, a vista of parks, restaurants, cathedrals, and nearby sights such as the Rodin Museum and The Barnes Collection. One bus will depart Key Foods at 8:00 am. We’ll return for home at the drop-off location at 4:30 pm. Cost is $45 per person for the round trip and includes driver’s tip. Museum tickets must be acquired on your own. Refund date is July 3.
Scenes from our Two-Day Trip to Pennsylvania’s Grand Canyon
October 3 - 4, 2018

1. From left: Dave Wood, Ernie Curtis, Cyndi Wood and Sharon Curtis pose for the camera before dining at the Herdic House on their way to Pennsylvania’s Grand Canyon.

2. Chris Allen and Pat and Ken Corcoran get ready to board a wagon ride to the bottom of the Grand Canyon to view the scenic wonders including steep canyons, waterfalls and wildlife.

3. Friends enjoy the two-hour covered wagon narrated ride in amazingly comfortable padded seats.


5. A view of Pennsylvania’s Grand Canyon from above.

November 14, 2018 —
Friends Visit Sands Casino &
Shoppes, Bethlehem

1. Sharon Curtis posing with her Winning Machine. She won over $2,000. She gave us permission to post this picture in the newsletter.

2. Lynn Sampel, Jeanne Stockmal and Kay Crandall enjoy some tea at the Food Court of the Sands Casino.

3. From left: Rosemary Loos, Halyna Manfredo, Holly Malinchak, Betty Mathews after a day of shopping and winning at the casino.

4. Sally Wrenshall, Mimi Tanzos and Joyce Clark at the Hotel Bethlehem.

5. From left: Trip Coordinator Chris Cohen, Maureen Burke, husband Tom Burke and Will Reeve get ready to board the bus back to Milford after a fun day in Bethlehem.
BOOK DONATIONS

While we appreciate all donations, we must set some limitations on what we accept.

1. Hard cover and paperback books, audio books, DVD’s in good, saleable condition.
2. No textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines or VHS/cassette tapes.
3. No outdated material (travel, health, financial)
4. No damaged, yellowed, written in or mildewed books.

We accept 1 box or bag per day per person. To make a large donation contact us at FRIENDS@pcpl.org to arrange a time to bring in your donation.

We go through all books while you are present and return those we cannot accept. We are not able to dispose of any books not accepted.

No donations will be accepted the week of a scheduled book sale.

Please Mark Your Calendar Now

Friends of PCPL Board Meetings
2nd Monday in April & July 2019 and January 2019

2nd Tuesday in October 2019
Community Room in the Library 10 a.m.

Donations
We are only able to accept books in good, saleable condition for our Bookstore.
No textbooks, encyclopedias, outdated material, magazines or VHS tapes. One bag or box per person per day.

Volunteers Needed
The Friends are looking for volunteers to work in our Bookstore and to help sort and stack books. If you have a couple of hours a week to help out, please let us know by calling Linda Columbo at 570-832-4436.

What the Friends Say About Our Trips
Under our new trip coordinator, Christine Cohen, the Friends plan exciting day and overnight trips to interesting places to entertain us and broaden our horizons. Friends get a two-week advantage to book a trip before the general public is notified. If you are not a member or your membership has lapsed, membership forms are available in this newsletter, at the Library or on line at PCPL.org. See what our travelers have to say and consider joining us on our adventures.

Betty Mathews: “Interesting places, good food and great company.”

Sharon Curtis: “Fun, educational and good times with others.”

Teri Pyrzynski: “Phil and I have enjoyed several Friends’ trips since Chris started as leader. She has done a great job with detail and caring.”

Barbara Betz: “I have great adventures with the Friends while making new friends.”

Mike and Rita Donlon: “We were on two trips this year organized by Chris. Food and lodging outstanding, and we look forward to 2019 to see what Chris has lined up for us.”

Halyna Manfredo: “I have totally enjoyed our new leader Christine Cohen’s trips! Christine’s excitement exudes enthusiasm when she announces our future destinations. Every overnight trip is jam-packed with education, food, laughs and, of course, shopping. Keep smiling, Christine, it’s contagious!”

CHANGES TO FRIENDS OF PCPL CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

On October 9, 2019, the Friends voted to eliminate the office of Corresponding Secretary and merge it with the Recording Secretary for one office of Secretary.

Article V, Committees, Section 1
The Executive Committee b) shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and two members at large.

This was necessary due to the difficulty of obtaining volunteers to fill our Officer positions. Effective January 1, 2019, the officers will consist of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer with two Members at Large. We urge you to consider becoming an officer in the future.
FRIENDS ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FORM

Date__________________________

Please check appropriate boxes:

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Dues are from January 1 through December 31. Your contribution is tax deductible.

The number after your name on the mailing label represents the last year your dues were paid.

Only active members who have paid dues for the current year and the preceding year will receive our award-winning
newsletter, which is published twice a year in January and July. The membership application form on this page can also
be obtained on line (PCPL.org) or by visiting one of our Library branches. It is important to provide both summer and
winter addresses, if applicable. Please also provide your current email address and indicate whether you wish to receive
your newsletter by postal mail or by e-mail.

For further information, please Email the Friends at Friends@pcpl.org.
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Winterthur/The Crown Exhibit

Turn to page 3 for details of our visit to Winterthur/The Crown Exhibit on Tuesday, June 25. Famous for its collection of American art, Winterthur’s collection of nearly 90,000 objects dates from 1630 to 1860 and includes paintings, glass, furniture and textiles.