

Friends of the Little Egg Harbor Branch NEWSLETTER

Summer 2023

Friends Fundraisers

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Message from the Board

The Board of the Friends wishes to thank everyone who has paid dues to become a member of the Friends. While there is no obligation to volunteer your time, we are looking to gather your ideas to increase participation, come up with new fundraising events, look into programming for the Library, and educate the public about what we do. Please feel free to contact any of the Board members by attending a monthly meeting.

August - 8/31 @ 6 pm
September - 9/27 @ 6 pm
October - 10/25 @ 6pm



Friends Fall Fundraiser:
FACE 2 FACE
TRIBUTE TO
ELTON JOHN
AND BILLY JOEL
at the Stafford Township Performing Arts Center

★ ★ ★ On Sale Join the Friends of the Little Egg Harbor Branch for an evening of good music and fun at the Stafford Township Performing Arts Center. The band Face 2 Face consists of Ronnie Smith, starring as Elton John, and Mike Santoro as Billy Joel. Together they have played across the nation, including such venues as The House of Blues and The Fillmore.

Aug. 7
Cash or Check
Program Date
Nov. 18
7:30 PM
All Ages Welcome

Tickets are \$60 per person, cash or check only. On sale starting August 7th at the Little Egg Harbor Library. For more information call 609-294-1197. Sponsored by the Friends of the Little Egg Harbor Branch.

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Fall Book Sale

The fall book sale will be taking place Saturday, **November 25th - Saturday, December 2nd**. Michelle will be contacting members who have previously indicated they wish to volunteer.

If you are unsure whether you indicated to volunteer and would like to do so, please call the Little Egg Harbor Library at (609) 294-1197.

Fall Bake Sale

(During the Book Sale)

Our bake sale during the book sale was a wonderful success. Please reach out to our Vice President, Deb VanTronk at (609) 618-0504. She will be coordinating volunteers wishing to bake treats for the November sale.

Past Friends Sponsored Programs

Thanks to your support the Friends funded the following programs:

4/21 - Tween Art Club

To celebrate Earth Day, tweens made their own seed balls.

4/28 - Make Your Own Poetry Journal

Attendees learned some basic bookbinding techniques and created their own journal for National Poetry Month.

7/8 - Mommy & Me Yoga

The parent/guardian/mother were led through gentle stretches with their baby incorporated for both a bonding and relaxing time.

7/20 - Family Bingo

Players of all ages were invited to try their luck playing the classic game of Bingo.

7/25 - Your Future Zoo Career

Ocean County 4-H Program Associate, Amelia Valente, taught participants how to prepare for a career working with wild animals.

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Upcoming Programs

August Programs

8/7 @ 2 pm

Strictly 60's Band

8/18 @ 2 pm

Adult Gaming - Canasta

8/22 @ 2pm

DIY Dog Toys

8/24 @ 6:30 pm

Adults vs. Teens Summer Smash
Tournament

8/31 @ 6 pm

Friends of the Library Meeting

September Programs

9/7, 9/14, 9/21, 9/28 @ 10 am

Job Searching Workshop for the
Mature Worker

9/13 @ 6:30pm

DASH and the Mediterranean Diet

9/14 @ 3pm

Shore to Age Well: Medication
Management and Alternatives

9/15 @ 2 pm

Adult Gaming - Canasta

September Programs

9/19 @ 10 am

Meet the Mayor & Deputy Mayor

9/13 @ 6:30pm

DASH and the Mediterranean Diet

9/21 @ 7pm

Flamenco Guitar Performance

9/26 @ 2 pm

Blending Fun with Amy - Fall
Soups

9/27 @ 6 pm

Friends of the Library Meeting

Membership dues remain the same: Individual...\$5.00, Family...\$10.00, and Benefactor...\$25.00 or more. Membership donations, along with Book Sale proceeds, enable our Friends group to fund over \$5000 for programs, materials, and supplies for our library. Thanks to all our members for your outstanding efforts! If you haven't joined yet, a membership form is provided below. You can drop it off at the circulation desk at the library or mail to: Friends of Little Egg Harbor Library; PO Box 1582; Little Egg Harbor, NJ 080087

Membership Form:

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS (if applicable) _____

Friend \$5 Family \$10 Benefactor \$25 or more

I would like to volunteer to assist the Friends Group with book sales, mailings, hospitality functions.



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In Memoriam



We mourn the passing of Tommy Williams, the Treasurer of the Friends, and husband of our Principal Library Assistant, Maggie Williams, who left us too soon on July 19, 2023. Tommy was a retired LEH Police Department Lieutenant, and was well known for his community service and devotion to his family. Though some of the newer Board members did not know him for long, we all appreciated his dedication to the Friends and his willingness to keep up with our meetings even during his illness. He was one of a kind and our hearts go out to his family, friends, and community.



We also wish to recognize the passing in May 2023 of Joyce Salow. Joyce organized the original Friends of the LEH Branch and was its first President. In lieu of flowers the family requested donations to the Friends. If you wish to make a donation in her memory, the Board will make sure the family is informed of your generosity.