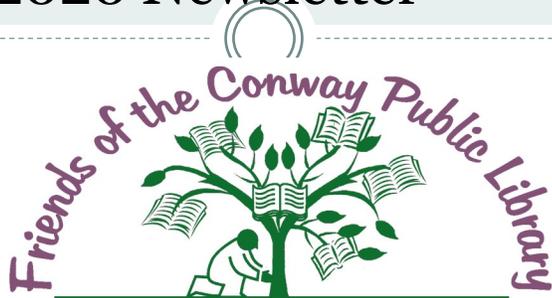


August 2020 Newsletter



The mission of the Friends of the Conway Public Library is to help maintain the educational, cultural, and recreational role of the library and to support all aspects and functions of the library as a vital institution for our diverse community.

A MESSAGE FROM FRIENDS PRESIDENT ANNE SMITH

The Friends of the Conway Public Library are a wonderful group of community volunteers. To be the President of the Friends is a great honor. The last year has been another success for the Friends as we promote early childhood literacy, life long learning, local history, and closing the digital divide.

I would like to send a special thank you to the staff of our library. During this time of the coronavirus the staff has worked diligently to keep our library functioning.

We are very happy to see the building reopened and we look forward to seeing you at the library six feet apart and with a mask on.

FRIENDS PURCHASE “Kanopy” DIGITAL VIDEO STREAMING SERVICE

Newly Added Movies



Thanks to the Friends, the Library now offers access to Kanopy, a video streaming service with a wide range of materials for adults and children. Kanopy offers thousands of movies, documentaries, and educational videos for adults. Kanopy Kids offers thousands of TV shows, movies, and educational programming, including foreign language learning, for children.

DONATE TO THE FRIENDS TODAY!

Your membership dues play a vital role in helping the Friends carry out their mission.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Membership Level:

\$100 Benefactor _____

\$50 Supporting _____

\$30 Family _____

\$20 Individual _____

\$10 Senior _____

(Please make your check payable to “Friends of the Conway Library” and mail to 15 Greenwood Avenue, Conway, NH 03818)



Mike Lynch with graphic novel class participants.

Friends Support Graphic Novel Class For Middle School Students

Last fall the Library received a \$4,000 grant from the NH State Council on the Arts for the purpose of running a 12 week class on how to create graphic novels. The grant would not have been possible without the matching support from the Friends. Professional cartoonist Mike Lynch taught students about the principles, practices, and techniques for creating graphic novels. This class is part of a larger strategic effort to foster great collaboration between the library and our public schools.

UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Melodies and Munchkins. Fridays at 10:30AM in the Park in Sept. Contact Tessa for more information.

Book Discussion Group. *Brain on Fire* is the September selection. Contact Kathy Keene for more information.

Edward Hopper: Sunlight and Solitude Presented by Jane Oneail. October 5th at 6:30 PM on Zoom.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2020: IMAGINE YOUR STORY

The Friends are the primary sponsor of the Library’s annual summer reading program. How does the summer reading program work? Children register with the library and the more they read the more prizes they receive. The Friends sponsorship of programs and prizes plays an important role in the success of the program. In a new twist this year, the SRP is now a for credit course at Kennett High School through a collaboration with the English Department. Students can earn 1/3 of a credit by participating.

The Summer Reading Program plays an important role in helping to support the academic achievement of children and helps to stop the “summer slide,” the phenomena by which students regress academically due to being out of school for so long.

Did you know the Friends pay for our mobile wifi hotspot and our subscription to Bookpage, which costs about \$800 per year?

Did you know the Friends purchased over \$2,000 in books for the library last year?

How Can You Support the Friends?

TD Bank Affinity Program — TD Bank will make an annual contribution to the Friends based on the activity of all participating members’ TD Bank accounts. Visit any one of their locations and ask to have your balances included as part of the Friends Affinity Membership Program.

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