

Book Collecting

And the collecting continues...

Yes—you've heard it before. But it doesn't hurt to repeat how important our book collecting is to our fundraising goals. We're at the Book Shed behind the Hockessin Fire House and ready to receive your books on the second Saturday of each month.

Every dollar earned goes directly to support the Hockessin Library.

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Visit Our Web Site:

www.friendsofthehockessinlibrary.org

Library Hours of Operation

Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday

10am-9pm

Thursday-Closed

Friday-Saturday 10am-5pm

Sunday 1pm-5pm

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Our Reading Garden and library collection welcome all users!



Did You Catch the Buzz in Yorklyn?



If you came to the Friends Annual Meeting in May, you heard all about the Auburn Valley Master Plan. This plan shows the concepts for the public-private partnership that will revitalize Yorklyn with shops, restaurants and the expansion of park property to include portions of the former NVF mill sites. The Marshall Brothers Paper Mill will become a museum and there will be a trail system that connects all portions of the property and trails that will lead to other places like the Ashland Nature Center. To see the concept maps for the property, visit www.yorklyn.org.

The Auburn Valley Master Plan, prepared in 2011 for Delaware's Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's (DNREC) Division of Parks and Recreation, serves as the basis for the design and redevelopment of a former industrial site in Yorklyn, Del. The site went through several transitions as an active gristmill, sawmill, and papermill. When the National Vulcanized Fibre (NVF) Company mill closed in 2009, DNREC pursued discussions with developers and investors. A working group was formed to secure and gather information about the site. The master plan sets forth a vision to allow for mixed-use redevelopment of the property while preserving the scenic viewshed of the historic Auburn Heights mansion, addressing site contamination and flooding issues, providing quality recreation opportunities, and improving transportation in the area. The plan presents several options to renovate some of the historic buildings to accommodate commercial/retail businesses, provide new opportunities for the area to be revitalized into a vibrant community with an abundance of green space and respect for the surrounding area.

Visitors to Delaware State Park's newest attraction will see what life was like at the dawn of the automotive age. Auburn Heights Preserve features a furnished mansion completed in 1897 as well as the Marshall Steam Museum with the largest collection of operating steam cars in the world.

Dan Citron, Auburn Heights Interpreter and Director, treated FOHL Annual Meeting attendees to an in-depth preview of the exciting plans for this local historic site.



*Auburn Heights
Director Dan Citron*

Yes, this was the FOHL 2015 Annual Meeting. President David Goldsworthy presented an overview of the Friends 2014/2015 activities along with a financial overview. Book Sale collections continue in preparation for the 2016 Book Sale.

Musings from the President

I was recently watching a recording of the Simon and Garfunkel concert held in Central Park in 1981. I really enjoyed the entire performance, and the last song particularly struck me – The Sound of Silence – what a great song it is. I know they were not thinking about The Friends of the Hockessin Library when they wrote it. But I was struck by the fact that my request for volunteers to help with our book collecting efforts has been met with nothing but silence from you all.

However, we are continuing to successfully sort and store all the books which are donated every month. Thank you to all the

dedicated volunteers that are making that happen. Pictures were posted on our Facebook page after the latest drop off. Please check them out. They show the shed before and after the drop off. It will give you an idea about just how many books we receive each month.

Summer will soon be over; the Library continues to be a hive of activity. Enjoy our Reading Garden which is looking particularly attractive at the moment.

David Goldsworthy, President

READ

New Castle County Reads!

2015's book has been chosen. Get ready for

The Last Days Of Ptolemy Grey by Walter Mosley.



Director's Desk

New at the Library

We have expanded our new book section and our walk-in section. New books may be checked out for three weeks and walk-ins do not accrue holds so they are always available to anyone who walks in for seven days.

Did You Know?

Hockessin Library has a collection of books written in traditional Chinese language. Some of the topics are cooking, culture, and history. We will be having two programs this fall, one is the 2015 Taiwan Film Festival presented by Hanlin Chinese Culture Association. The fall festival will be held on two consecutive Saturdays, September 26 and October 3. The other program is sponsored by the University of Delaware and will feature Chinese music and musical instruments.

The Fall Happenings guide is available online at Hockessin Library website and a print copy is available while supplies last in the Library. The guide contains all the program, classes, and events that are held around the County for September, October, and November.

What Do I Read Next? Staff Picks

Here's what staff members of New Castle County Libraries are reading and recommending. The Readers' Advisory Committee updates these lists every month to keep you in suggestions for great reads.

Kitchens of the Great Midwest

Author: J. Ryan Stradal

The Guest Cat

Author: Takashi Hiraide

The Anchoress

Author: Robin Cadwallader

Modern Romance

Author: Aziz Ansari

Missoula

Author: Jon Krakauer

You May Also Like:

The Last Time They Met by Anita Shreve

Norwegian Wood by Haruki Murakami

A Paris Affair by Tatiana de Rosnay

The Lake by Banana Yoshimoto

On Being "Friends"

You have seen the initials FOHL. Do you know to what they refer?
 Foolish Old Hot Ladies or Fuzzy Orange-Headed Lemurs?
 Do they refer to animals, trolls, gnomes, people who are rarely seen?
 Someone helping the library, could that be what they mean?
 They are, indeed, the Friends of this library who promise their support
 And accomplishing their mission they will never fall short.

Children and adult reading programs held in the summer and all year
 Count on the Friends to make materials and incentives appear.
 Specialty, oversized books; Great Courses DVD's; periodicals, oh, my
 Are also among the items that the Friends like to buy.
 A wooden digital frame for County news, two free standing book cases,
 Red Christmas poinsettias brought smiles to patron's faces.
 Co-hosting a December party, paying Delaware Library Association dues
 Were designed to chase away any staff member's blues.
 Storage room paint, waterproof boxes for archives and statue insurance
 May lack glamour and flair but give the manager reassurance.

Assisting the library to respond to the needs of the Hockessin community
 Constitutes part of the Friends mission and is a perfect opportunity
 To become better known, to reach out, to promote a great resource
 And engage the local residents in a mutual discourse.
 Dues for the library to join the Hockessin Business Association were paid,
 Support for the Hockessin Fourth of July celebration was displayed
 And educational programming at Auburn Heights found a patron
 After a riveting Annual Meeting talk by Preserve Interpreter, Dan Citron.

In and around the library or the special community that is called Hockessin
 The Friends are active, supportive and welcome you to join them when
 They gather to raise funding, to be enlightened or to volunteer their time.
 And now endth this little, educational rhyme.

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Volunteering in the Community

Sara Sakarwala is from Girl Scout troop 965. She and her team members are working on a project to earn a Girl Scout silver award, the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn. This award gives girls the chance to show that they are leaders who are organized, determined, and dedicated to improving their community.

The project that these team members chose was a book drive—organized to collect children's books that are in good condition. They then must make a bookcase and set it up with books at a children's hospital or clinic waiting room. The Hockessin Friends has helped us tremendously with their generous donation of books for the children to read. The team has decided to donate the books to Nemours/Alfred I. DuPont Hospital for Children.

Doing this project was really exciting and fun and we also learned many things such as team work and leadership.

Love Your Library Cookbooks

The goal of New Castle County's Love Your Library Campaign is to raise funds to purchase and keep library resources current and updated. As a part of the "Love Your Library" campaign, the library community gathered local heart-warming recipes from each of our ten libraries for our Love Your Library Cookbook. Hockessin contributions are devoted to Entrees.

Be a Friend! Renew Today

Is your Friends membership current? Check the mailing label above your name to see when your membership renewal is due. To continue receiving *Friends Focus*, just clip this coupon and mail it to:

Friends of the Hockessin Library
 PO Box 55
 Hockessin, DE 19707

(or drop it at the library) with your payment.

Yes, I'd like to join the Friends or renew my membership! Enclosed is a check for:

- \$10.00 Individual Member (1 yr.) \$20.00 Family (1 yr.) \$100.00 Lifetime
 \$40.00 Member/Family (5 yr.) \$25.00 Sponsor/Organization \$ _____ Other (Gift)

Name: Phone:

Address:

City/State/Zip

Please check your areas of interest if you would like to volunteer:

- Membership Book Sale Fund Raising Programs Hospitality
 Telephone Publicity Board Other