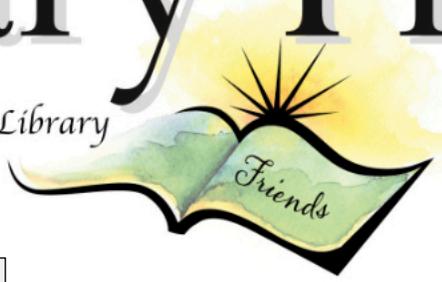


Library Friends

Friends of the Town of Chester Library

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Library Hours

Tuesday-9am to 1pm
Wednesday-9am to 6pm
Thursday-1pm to 6pm
Friday-9am to 6pm
Saturday-9am to 1pm

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Board of Directors

Linda Taverni - Chair
Bob Walp - Vice Chair
Lynne Hagmann -
Corresponding Secretary
Linda Thorsen -
Recording Secretary
Rich McCrum - Treasurer

Directors:
Kathleen Rivers
Sharon Andrews

Meetings are held the 2nd Friday of each month from September to June, at 10am in the library. Everyone is welcome.



Update on the Library Closure

In an effort to keep community members healthy, and to help ease the spread of COVID-19, the Town Board has closed the Town of Chester Municipal Building to all but essential personnel. Therefore, the Library will not re-open until further notice.

If you need to contact the Library you can send email to: library@chesterlibrary.org. You'll find detailed information and many ideas for things to do to keep reading and learning on the [Library website](#). Up-to-date information can be found on our [Facebook page](#) as well.

Overdue fines will not be charged while the Library is closed. The book drop box has been locked, so please keep any materials you have until the Library re-opens.

You can keep abreast of what's happening at the Town level by visiting www.townofchesterny.org.

We hope everyone remains healthy and safe during this crisis!

[Click the purple links throughout the newsletter to learn more!](#)

14th Annual Wine Tasting & Silent Auction Postponed

The Covid-19 outbreak has forced the Friends to postpone our annual wine tasting fundraiser, silent auction and basket raffle. Traditionally the wine tasting is held in Spring. Our hope is to hold it at the [Friends Lake Inn](#) sometime this Fall. There will be a variety of wines to try, which will be available for purchase, along with delicious hors d'oeuvres. We already have many donations for the silent auction, including gift certificates from local businesses and Adirondack gifts and artwork. Several terrific baskets will be on display in the library prior to the event. If you cannot attend, raffle tickets for the baskets can be purchased at the library or from members of the Friends. Look for an announcement of this rescheduled event on the [Library website](#) or [Facebook](#).

Membership

Please consider renewing your membership in the Friends for 2020. Our ability to continue funding projects and giving other support to the Library depends on our members. Your dues support our programs and activities. We are always

seeking individuals who would like to become more involved. Please indicate your interest when returning the membership form on the last page. Or go to our [website to join online](#).

Thanks!

The Internet is Your Friend

During the shut down we may not be able to go to the Library, but we can still keep learning. We've added a set of links to high-quality educational sites to our own website. We hope you'll find interesting things for adults and children. [Click here for the complete list online.](#)

Among the highlights are:

TumbleBook Library, a collection of children's literature featuring videos with reading-along supported by highlighted text.

Story Time from Space, astronauts read books, while weightless, from the International Space Station!

Audible has made hundreds of audio book titles for children and adults completely **free**. A terrific selection of contemporary and classic titles for all ages!

Farmers Market-Call for Volunteers

We are looking forward to another great season at the local **Farmers Market**, which will begin before we know it. The book sales at the market have become an important source of income. Working at our booth is a great way to meet neighbors and visitors and tell them about our wonderful library. We are always in need of volunteers, especially to set up and take down our canopy and tables. We have openings for mornings or afternoons, to set up, take down or help with sales in the booth. If you can help this summer, please indicate that on your membership form.



Winter Book Sale

We had another very successful book sale in February. Many thanks to all of our volunteers and our many supporters who donated materials throughout the year. We had one of the best collections of books, audio books, DVDs, puzzles and games for sale we've ever had. Special thanks also to our shoppers.

Sharon Andrews and Carol Stegen, our book sale committee co-chairs, did an outstanding job preparing for the sale. Our volunteers made the set-up, sale and clean-up go smoothly. As always, we received many nice comments on the quality and organization of our selections.

Reminder: the Book Room is closed until the Municipal Center re-opens. It is usually open on Friday mornings from 9 to 11 for donations and browsing. During the

summer, when the Farmers Market is in session, it will also be open Wednesday mornings from 9-11. Please remember we can accept only gently used adult and children's books, music CDs, DVDs and audiobooks on CD when we re-open.



Visitors browsing in the Book Sale Room on the 2nd floor of the Municipal Center

Lecture Series

The Friends are working on a new set of lectures for our ever popular lecture series. Last year's line up included presentations about chipmunks, early skiing in North Creek, and old Military Roads in the Adirondacks. We would love to hear of any suggestions you may have.

Please plan to join us again this Fall for some more fascinating speakers. Check the website this summer for a list.

About Type: Ligatures

Our word *ligature* derives from the Latin *ligatus*, meaning to tie or bind. In typography, a ligature is a series of letters joined together to form a single unit. Today our computers automatically insert the most common ligatures where they are needed. Originally though, any set of letters cast on a single piece of type was called a ligature. Here are some examples from the typeface **Centaur**:

Qu ff fl ffl fi æ œ



A Qu ligature cast on a single piece of type.

A partial character set of Centaur:

aA, bB, cC, dDa, eE, fF, gG, hH, iI, jJ, kK, lL, mM, nN, oO, pP, qQ, rR, sS, tT, uU, vV, Ww, xX, yY, zZ ? , . : ; ! - - I 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0, Qu, ff, fl, ffl, fi, ffi, æ, œ

Meet the Friends of the Library Board Members



Clockwise from the back:
 Bob Walp–Vice Chair, Rich McCrum–Treasurer, Sharon Andrews–Director, Kathleen Rivers–Director, Linda Thorsen–Recording Secretary, Linda Taverni–Chair, Lynne Haggmann–Corresponding Secretary

Sharon Andrews, Director

Sharon and her husband Gary moved to Chestertown in 2014 after owning a summer home here for 11 years. Before retiring, Sharon worked in the field of IT, managing software projects in Manhattan and NJ. She also taught in the School of Business at Montclair State University for 30 years.

Soon after moving here, Sharon became the monitor of the library book club, volunteered in the book room and at the Farmers Market, and joined the Board of the Friends. Three years ago Sharon became Chair of the Friends book sales. Sharon and the book room team work all year sorting, cleaning and storing donated books and preparing for the biannual book sales and the Friends weekly book sale at the Farmers Market. Last year Sharon coordinated the move of the book room from its former home near the library to its new location in Room # 201 in the Municipal Center.

Bob Walp, Vice Chair

Bob moved to Chestertown in 1978, where he met his wife Trudy. At the time Bob worked as a carpenter and Trudy as a music teacher at North Warren Central School. They were married in 1980.

Bob continued to work as a carpenter and building contractor in the area for many years. Eventually Bob went back to school and earned a Master of Fine Arts Degree in Book Arts from The University of Alabama School of Library and Information Studies. There he learned to bind books, make paper, and print from hand set metal type.

Bob edits and publishes the Newsletter, manages the website, and curates the [Book Arts Collection](#). In his spare time he makes maple syrup, gardens, practices target archery tai chi, and prints and binds small editions of contemporary poetry.

Thank you for all you do for our organization!

Join the Friends of the Library Annual Membership—July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

Thank you to all our members who supported the Friends of the Town of Chester Library this past year. Your commitment helped our library provide current best selling books, newspapers, magazines, DVDs for all ages, computer and internet access, children's programs, special events and much more. As a Friends member you are playing an important role in supporting a vital community resource. We look forward to your continued membership in our organization and we welcome our new members!

Print and mail this membership form or submit your membership online at:
<http://www.chesterfriends.org/membership.html>

Annual Membership Form -July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

Name(s) _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Local Address _____

Mailing Address _____

individual \$10 _____ Household \$15 _____ Special Friend \$25 _____ Donation \$ _____

Your privacy is important to us. We will never share your information with any other organization.

Interested in volunteering? Please indicate how you might be willing to help:

Book Sales _____ Farmers Market _____ Programs _____ Fund Raising _____

Please return with your check payable to: Friends of the TOC Library, PO Box 451, Chestertown, NY 12817

Thank You!