Friends of the Tewksbury Public Library
June Board Meeting 6/3 @ 7 pm

Agenda

Attendance

Acceptance of:

- Minutes
- Treasurers Report

Director's Report – Diane Giarrusso

Trustee Report if Available

Old Business:

Dine Out for a Week 2026

Janis and I visited the previous sponsors and added two new restaurants to replace the restaurants that didn't have physical cards. It was nice that the restaurants from last year agreed to be part of the fundraiser again. Tickets are available online https://www.friendstplibrary.org/eat-free-for-a-week

Al Fresca's
T J Callahan's
Longs
Pera
Origin Thai Bistro
Cafe Sicilia Vietalian (new)
Luna Rossa (new)

2026 Book Donation Event Dates: All Saturdays @ 9:30 am– 12:30 pm

September 19 & November 7

Friends Book & Bake Sale May 16 (9:30 a -12:30 p) (Was in conjunction with the Garden Club Plant Sale)

This was a successful day with everything sold! The Blind Date with a Books were gone in less than 2 hours.
Thanks to everyone who baked/donated

Val from Storybook Oven
Liz R
Maureen C
Diane G
Jan Z
Deepti D
Rose O
Donna H

And to the volunteers who worked the event: Doret, Barbara and Ronnie. We can't do these fundraisers without you.

Dine Out at Mac's Ice Cream May 19

We received $97.42 which Susan rounded up to $100

Musical Bingo – 11/14

Lauren has secured ND Productions for the event and I secured the Elks Tewksbury/Wilmington Lodge for the hall. I attended the Elks Board meeting and did a short presentation regarding the Friends fundraising efforts. The Elks generously donated the hall to the Friends this year after one of their members offered to donate the payment for the Friends. Discuss ticket price.

Possible Fund Raising Events

Other fund raising ideas?

Friends Awareness Program

Continue to create awareness on what the Friends do for the library. We work with Robert Hayes to find out what in-person events are scheduled for large turnouts. Our goal is to have a monthly presence at these events

Friends' Monthly Meeting Information

Past minutes, current meeting agenda and Director's Report can be found on the Friends' website under the tab "About Us". This is the link About Us.
The current agenda and meeting minutes are available on the Friends' website. Zoom invites will be included on this page as well. Interested folks may also email the Friends for the Zoom invite.
Meeting reminders will be posted in the library and Friends emails.
Note: Attendance at meetings has been sparse. Therefore other than our Annual Meeting, in-person meetings will be discontinued until further notice.

Corning's 175th Anniversary

The Friends are looking to have a joint book donation drive with Corning for our fall drive.

New Business:

Dine Out – Wicked Cheesy

Waiting on confirmation from Wicked Cheesy Dine out Fundraiser for June

Summer Concerts

We have the dates for the June's Summer Concerts. These concerts are an important part of our summer fundraising and we are looking for volunteers to help with raffle sales. You can either email the Friends at friendstplibrary@gmail.com or go to our Signup Genius link https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49ABAC2EA4FFC16-64367743-summer#/

Friends Meetings

We will suspend our monthly meetings for July & August and will resume on September 2.

Proposed Fundraisers for 2026

Blind Date a Book Sales TBD

January
Membership Drive

February
Love Your Library Promotion – Request online donations
Blind Date with a Book

March
Dine Out (1) Vic's Waffle House

April
Wine Tasting @ Oakdale
"Dine Out Free for a Week" (DOFW) Raffle

May
Mac's Ice Cream
Friends Bake Sale & Blind Date Book Sale to coincide with Garden Club Event

June
Concert Raffle Sales

Dine Out (2) – Wicked Cheesy

July
Concert Raffle Sales

August
Concert Raffle Sales

September
Dine Out (3)?
Meadowlands Ice Cream?

October
Blind Date w/Book

November
Musical Bingo
Dine Out (4)?
Countdown to Christmas?

December
Countdown to Christmas

2026 PROPOSED CALENDAR

JANUARY 1/7 FOTPL Meeting @ 7 pm Zoom Start of Membership Drive	**FEBRUARY** National Love Your Library Month: Love Your Library Fund Drive 2/4 FOTPL Meeting @ 7 pm Zoom Blind Date w/Book Sales: 2/12 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Winter Market – Tewksbury Senior Center 2/21 Book Donation Event	**MARCH** 3/4 FOTPL Meeting @ 7 pm Zoom 3/30 Dine Out at Vic's Waffle House @ 4pm – 7p with 50/50 raffle
APRIL 4/1 FOTPL Meeting @ 7 pm Zoom 4/25 Annual Board Meeting @ 10 am 4/28 Wine Tasting @ One Stop Liquors/Oakdale	**MAY** 5/2 Book Donation Event 5/13 FOTPL Meeting @ 7 pm Zoom 5/16 Friends Bake Sale Date coincides with Garden Club Event: 9:30 – 12:30 pm 5/19 Mac's Ice Cream Dine Out	**JUNE** 6/4 FOTPL Meeting @ 7 pm Zoom 6/15 Summer Concert 6/22 Summer Concert TBD Dine Out at Wicked Cheesy 6/29 Summer Concert
JULY FOTPL Meeting Suspended Summer Concerts starting @ 6:30 pm	**AUGUST** FOTPL Meeting Suspended Summer Concerts starting @ 6:00 pm	**SEPTEMBER** 9/2 FOTPL Meeting @ 7 pm Zoom 9/10 Community Market (Blind Date w/Book sales) 9/19 Book Donation Event
OCTOBER 10/1 FOTPL Meeting @ 7 pm Zoom 10/24 Blind Date w/Book Sale & onsite tickets for Musical Bingo	**NOVEMBER** 11/4 FOTPL Meeting @ 7 pm Zoom 11/7 Book Donation Event 11/14 Musical Bingo Fundraiser @ Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks Lodge @ 7 pm	**DECEMBER** 12/1 Giving Tuesday 12/2 FOTPL Meeting @ 7 pm Zoom