



The State of *Friends* July 2021 - June 2022

Membership:

- Active Membership was 125 as of June 30, 2022

Communication:

- Utilized e-mail to keep members informed of news and events
- Continually updated our *Friends'* website with current activities
- Maintained a *Friends'* information board on one of the information kiosks at the Centereach building
- Used the Middle Country Communication Electronic Board to advertise the *Friends* Book Sales and the Garage Sale

Support:

- Donated prize money for the annual Island Idol competition
- Contacted members, via newsletter, email and phone calls to remind them of the Library Budget Vote
- Donated to Mujeres Latinas, Adult Summer Reading Program, Staff Appreciation Day, Middle Country Reads, and International Museum Day

Gifts:

- Awarded two \$500.00 *Friends'* sponsored scholarships for graduating high school seniors
- Donated \$500 to purchase gift books for infants and toddlers getting their first library card

Staff Recognition:

- Contributed funding support for staff recognition events

Fundraisers

Book Sales:

- Raised a total of \$1,575.33 from the continuous lobby and Spring Book Sale; donated unsold items to The Long Island State Veteran's Home, St. Cuthbert's Food Pantry, and St. Gerard Majella Thrift Store

Garage Sale:

- Sponsored the 18th Garage Sale and raised \$643.00

AmazonSmile

- Raised a total of \$94.72 through purchases made by supporters on Amazon

See's Candies

- Raised a total of \$512.75 between two online fundraisers in December 2021 and April 2022

Heritage Book Sales:

- Raised a total of \$30.00 from sales of the *Images of America - Centereach, Selden, and Lake Grove* book

Membership Income:

- Membership income was \$600.00

Budget:

- Anticipated income was \$4,450.00; actual income was \$3,493.08
- Balance carried forward to 2022-2023:
 - Peoples Checking- \$5,110.34
 - Capital One Savings - \$5005.80

Friends' Goals for 2022-2023

- Provide continued financial support to library programs and services
- Continue to implement a ***Friends'*** sponsored scholarship program
- Continue to distribute information about events and activities shared via email and webpage
- Develop additional membership activities
- Continue to offer regular fundraising opportunities
- Increase membership and broaden members' involvement