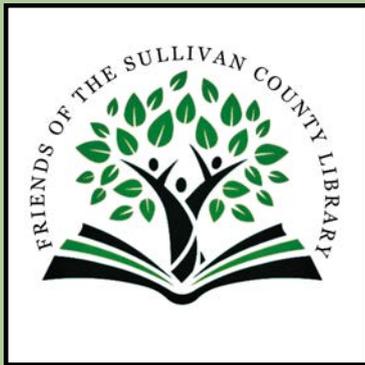


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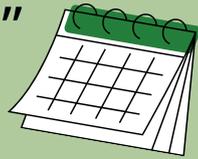


# FRIENDS OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY LIBRARY

## QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

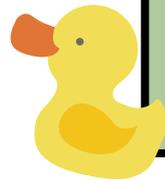
The Friends of the Sullivan County Library is a volunteer 501(c)(3) charitable organization dedicated and committed to providing community support to the Sullivan County Library.

### Friends Annual Meeting and "Best Friend" Celebration



Mark your calendar and join your fellow library lovers for a special summer gathering. The Friends of the Sullivan County Library are taking their 2025 Annual Meeting on the road—to the charming town of Forksville. This year's meeting will be held at Big Mike's Steaks and Hoagies, beside the Forksville covered bridge. Picture this: picnic tables along the beautiful Loyalsock Creek, the scent of cheesesteaks in the air, and a chance to connect with your community—all while supporting the Library.

As a member of the Friends, your participation matters. The meeting will include updates on the Friends' activities, a financial report, a brief review of the bylaws, and the nomination of officers—this year, President and Secretary positions are up for two-year terms. But there's more to celebrate!...  
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### Duck Derby

The Friends of the Sullivan County Library are planning their popular Duck Derby as a fundraiser for the Library. How does it work? Library supporters are asked to adopt a duck by buying a numbered ticket. Prior to the race, rubber ducks will be numbered. The ducks are placed in a creek and the current carries them to the finish line. The lucky adopters of the first ducks to cross the finish line will win prizes.

Last year's Friends' Duck Derby was a very successful fundraiser and entertaining for the spectators lining the creek. The Friends "Quack Pack" have scheduled this year's Duck Derby for Saturday, June 21, at noon. It will again take place in Marsh Run, which is near the park, Sullivan Terrace, and MaryBeth's WestSide Deli in Dushore.

Prizes will go to the top seven finishers....  
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**Calling all chocolate lovers!  
Gertrude Hawk candy bars are  
on sale at the Library as a  
Friends' fundraiser.**

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## Best Friend, cont...

At the heart of the annual meeting is our recognition of the 2025 "Best Friends"—dedicated individuals who have gone above and beyond in support of the Library and the Friends. Come help us cheer them on!

The Friends will provide sandwiches, chips, and a sweet treat.

Date: Thursday, July 17

Time: 6:00 p.m.

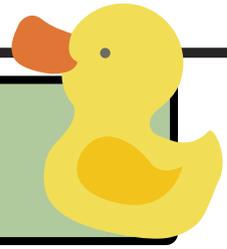
Location: Big Mike's Steaks and Hoagies, Forksville (next to the covered bridge)

Please **RSVP** by text or call to 570-772-9947, so we can keep you updated in case of inclement weather and have enough food!

*Please come! Bring a friend and be part of something meaningful. We can't wait to see you there!*



## Duck Derby continued...



Prizes will go to the top seven finishers. The adopter of the first place duck wins \$300, the second place wins \$200, third place to wins \$100, and cash prizes and gift certificates to other top finishers. These prizes are made possible by generous sponsors of the event: Sperry Logging & Transport LLC; Red's Roofing; County Line Property Worx; Denmon Family Dental; Journey Health & Fitness; Dushore Hardware & Co.; and the Knights of Columbus #12406. Thanks also to the Sullivan Review who provided the tickets for the event. 500 ducks will be sold. Ducks cost \$5.00 each and tickets can be purchased at the Library, the Sullivan Review, Dushore Hardware, or by contacting Stacey Wilcox, Bonnie Barry, or Sally Jensen, event organizers. Library supporters and friends are asked to rush out and adopt a duck for this family friendly event.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

### Kay Homer, President of the Friends of the Sullivan County Library

Welcome to Ted Lowden, a recent addition to our board, serving in an at-large position. Ted lives in Lopez and serves in leadership capacities on the Sullivan County Fire Dept., the Mildred Fire Company, and the White Ash Land Association. Prior to moving to Sullivan County, he was born and raised in South Jersey. During his career he served on many state, local, and national professional associations as well as numerous government boards and commissions. Ted enjoys the outdoors and getting things done. He and his wife, Mary have been avid supporters of the library for many years.



**"Enchanted Afternoon" Tea Hostesses**

Our **Spring Tea** was a enchanting afternoon with over 140 in attendance! Please read over our "thank you" (next page.) We couldn't do this event without the support of many, many **individuals** and **businesses**.



## **“Enchanted Afternoon” Tea**

**Basket donors...** *We had 40 lovely donations for kids and adults!*

- Carol Anne Gindele
- Peter Ferulli
- Teri Klem
- Germaine Donahue
- Homer Funeral Home
- Sheila Riemann
- Second Hand Rose
- Dan & Donna Curry
- Hail's Family Farm
- The Rail Car/Sally Jensen
- Dushore Pharmacy
- Dushore Beverage
- Melanie Lambert
- Sharon Orlovski
- Knit & Stitch Knit
- Sullivan County Library
- Terry Houseknecht/Adventure Realty
- Lavonne Black
- Master Gardeners of Bradford and Sullivan County
- Jolly Trolley
- Mary Beth's Westside Deli
- Twin Spruce Tourist Home
- Sinclair's Hardware
- Twice is Nice Thrift Store
- Certex USA/Anthony Desanto
- Michele and Leon Kurland



**Hostesses:** Mary Lou Klem, *chair*

- Sue Roy
- Charli Murray
- Carol Wells
- Alan Miller
- Andrea Phebus
- Sue Mullen
- Sarah Parrish
- Katrina Wilkins
- Deb Krakoski
- Kay Evelyn Krakoski
- Dora McCarty
- Sandy Paulsworth
- Anastasia McMahon Farrell
- Melanie Lambert
- Lois Block and Sue Hamilton



**Food prep crew:**

Kay Evelyn Krakoski and Deb Krakoski, *chairs*

- Donna Curry
- Jackie Fasset
- Cindy Woodley
- Candy Rexer (baking)
- Angie Rexer (baking)
- Ruth Hild (cookies)



**Help at event:**

**Help with set-up/transport**

- Frank Barry
- Leo Lambert
- Anthony Desanto
- Krissy Desanto
- Pat Arcaro
- Carol Ann Gindele
- Claire Krakoski
- Tina Kirkpatrick
- Sandy Rigby
- Bethany Lambert
- Wendy Davenport
- Adelene McDaniels
- Amy Homer
- Germaine Donahue
- Pat Arcaro
- Donna Glaudel
- Connie Hoover



**Planning committee:**

Michele Kurland, *chair*

- Kay Homer
- Kay Evelyn Krakoski
- Deb Krakoski
- Sandy Rigby
- Krissy Desanto
- Sally Jensen
- Melanie Lambert



**Vendors, activities, door prize donations:**

- Franklin's Smalltown Flowers
- Master Gardeners of Bradford and Sullivan County --tea cup fairy gardens
- Sue Mullen--fascinators & tea set
- Cindy Templeton--Mary Kay Cosmetics
- Backwoods Beauty--Kayla Lambert
- Paul Todd--stained glass creations
- Sullivan County Loan Closet-Diane Bombero

**Kitchen help:**

- Denise Lambert
- Mark & Karen Evangelisti
- Nan Farrell
- Kathy Coffman
- Krissy Desanto

**Special Thanks to**

- The Sullivan Review
- Homer Funeral Home
- Iddings Insurance
- Franklin's Small Town Flowers
- IHM Parish
- Mary Beth's Westside Deli
- Francis McCarty Insurance
- Rocky Forest Real Estate
- Lusch Acres Vacation Homes
- Dushore Agway (centerpiece door prizes)
- Second Hand Rose
- CA LInens



# THANK YOU!

June 2025

## FROM THE LIBRARY

**Alan Miller, Library Director  
of the Sullivan County Library**

Well, spring is upon us and summer is coming up quickly, and you know what that means,.. Summer Reading for children! This year we have tons of activities for children around the theme "**Color Our World.**" Activities begin on June 10th and can be found on the library's webpage, Facebook page, and the Library Corner in the Sully.

**COLOR  
OUR  
WORLD**

**We have a summer reading challenge for patrons of all ages...children, teens and ADULTS! Stop in to find out about the "Color Our World" challenge.**

Over the past several months, there have been some great adult programs the library sponsored or helped with. There was a **ukulele workshop** held at the Sullivan Terrace by the Music Club. We also had **Tech Tuesday** with the help of Josh Fry and students from Red Rock. At Tech Tuesday, seniors received help with their electronic gizmos or learned about the digital offerings of the Library. *(Let us know if you'd like to know about future Tech Tuesdays.)* The library also sponsored the ever-popular **Midday Movie Matinee** and **Mahjong** Wednesdays. The Music Club also held a **woodwind concert** on May 20th. The Library offered **square dancing** instruction, creating **pysanka** eggs, and **tying flies**. It has been a great spring!



Story Hour  
guest reader



Looking good at  
Story Hour!



Tying flies

Looking ahead, get ready to learn **Pickleball** and participate in monthly **Master Gardener programs**. There are **StoryWalk** installations planned around the County and special activities to help celebrate June Dairy Month. Information on these programs is available on the library's webpage, Facebook page, and the Library Corner in the Sullivan Review. We look forward to seeing you at these events.

Lastly, don't forget to stop in and check out all the new book titles we're getting along with entertaining DVDs and books on CD.



Check out the bird  
photography of Rick  
Leibert on display at  
the Library



Mini golf in  
the Library for  
Dr Seuss's  
birthday

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FROM THE LIBRARY, CONTINUED



Pysanka egg class

Square dancing was a very popular program!



Stop by and check out the new seed library and gardening programs!



Book Bingo at SCES... Thanks Kiwanis!!

Proclaim your support of the Sullivan County Library with apparel or a book bag with the logo of the Friends of the Sullivan County Library. Scan the QR code or go to <https://friendsofthelibrary.deco-apparel.com/> to see the "store" set up with Styers Customs in Dushore.

The Friends of the Sullivan County Library would like to recognize the following individuals that have made memorial donations.

Donation of stock was made by Iain Campbell in memory of his wife, Peggy Ann, designated to benefit the children who use the Library.

Donation was made by Cheryl Brooks in memory of Bob Brooks.

Donation was made by Clement & Sandra Filippelli in memory of Beverly Kann.

Donation was made by Noreen Maher in memory of Richard Vrabel.

The Friends gratefully acknowledge these donations and will apply the donations to their on-going support of the Sullivan County Library.

MEMORIALS MADE TO FRIENDS OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY LIBRARY



Although not designated as memorials, Donna Ambosius and Jim Curtin & Hlee Vang made generous donations to the Friends. Thank you!

June 2025



Lycoming County  
**UNITED WAY**

*Thank you to the Lycoming County United Way  
serving Sullivan County Program Partner*

The Friends of the Sullivan County Library applies for and receives grants each year from the United Way of Lycoming County serving Sullivan County. This partnership enables the Library to offer programming for kids and adults. The Friends appreciate the support of the United Way.

## IMPORTANT DATES

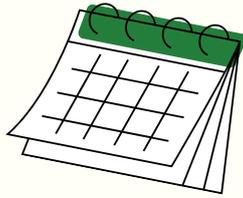
**Regular meetings** of the Friends Executive Board are scheduled for the first Tuesday of alternate months.

2025 meetings are scheduled for:

August 5

October 7

December 2



Any Friend of the Library is welcome and encouraged to attend these Board meetings, typically held at the Library at 6:00.

### ***Other dates to remember:***

***Duck Derby: June 21***

***Annual membership meeting: July 17***

***Murder Mystery: TBA Oct.***



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Sullivan County Library**

### ***Executive Board of the Friends of the Sullivan County Library***

**Kay Homer, president**  
**Barbara Falci, vice president**  
**Bonnie Barry, treasurer**  
**Sarah Parrish, secretary**  
**Sally Jensen**  
**Melanie Lambert**  
**Ted Lowden**  
**Missy Reisenlieter**  
**Stacey Wilcox**

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**Dushore PA 18614**

A Wish List has been established on Amazon by the Friends of the Sullivan County Library for materials requested by Library staff for programming needs at the Library or items the Friends could use. To view the Wish List, go to: <https://a.co/3zvUP1r>



## BROKERAGE ACCOUNT

if you wish to make a donation in the form of stock, perhaps for tax advantages, the Friends have 501(c)(3) status and an established brokerage account to accept donations of this nature. For more information on donating stock, contact us at **friends.sc.library@gmail.com** or at:

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**PO Box 485**  
**Dushore PA 18614**

## FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION...

*Community Foundation for the  
Twin Tiers Endowment*

An endowment is established with the Community Foundation of the Twin Tiers (CFTT) for the Friends of the Sullivan County Library. This endowment provides for a return each year which can be used for the operation of the Library or reinvested.

If you are **estate planning**, this is a great way to support the long-term viability of the Library. You can help this fund grow by contacting the CFTT at [info@twintierscf.org](mailto:info@twintierscf.org) or by mail at:  
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