

# Friends of EKPL (FoEKPL) News

by Nikki Cutler, FoEKPL Board Member

As the new year begins, we want to thank everyone for their generous support of the East Kingston Public Library in 2024 and ask that you consider continuing your support into 2025.

- The **Friends Membership Drive** is our most important fundraising period. The support we receive during this drive allows us to budget and plan for the year ahead and support the library's ability to offer the kinds of programming and opportunities that enrich the lives of our East Kingston community. If you have already sent in your 2025 Membership donation -**THANK YOU!** If not, please consider renewing, or joining us. Membership forms are available in the library or via email [friendsofekpl@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofekpl@gmail.com).
- Welcome **Susan Sheesley!** We want to extend a warm welcome to our newest board member! Susan has joined us as our new Treasurer, and we're very excited to have her. Keeping track of finances is no easy task, and we greatly appreciate her taking on this role and being a part of our group.
- **Friends Quarterly Meeting.** Our next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 18th at 5p** at the library. Please come join us and learn about how you can get involved. For anyone wanting to attend but can't make it in person there will be a Zoom link available.
- **UBS Highlights.** Another wonderful way to continue to support the library is by visiting the **UBS (Used Book Store) at the Pound School** and checking out their great selection of books. Open Fridays 10a-5p and Saturdays 10a-1p, they're always getting new donations in so you never know what gems you'll find! Highlights for January include:
  - Books on kayaking and mountaineering
  - Large donation of CDs and DVDs for all ages
  - Books by some favorite authors, including: Sara Woods, Frances & Richard Lockridge, Thornton Burgess, Joseph & Freeman Lincoln, and Carolyn Keene
- **Winter Social.** We'd like to invite everyone to our very first one of these, as a way to say thank you for supporting the Friends and the library and to bring our community together. And who doesn't want to mingle and eat cookies when it's freezing out?! This event will be held at the library on **Saturday, February 15th** from **1-3p**. Planning is still underway, but there will be a cookie swap, delicious snacks and drinks, and several raffles for kids as well as teens and adults. Bring the whole family!

Happy New Year from the FoEKPL Board!

(Aine Cronin, Stacy Friedman, Susan Sheesley, Carol Powers, and Nikki Cutler)

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