

Friends Focus



The Newsletter of Collingswood Friends of the Library

Winter 2019

Treasurer's Report



Friends had a great year in 2018 thanks to our members who faithfully support FOL and the Collingswood Public Library, as well as patrons and neighbors who support Friends. On-going book sales, memberships and donations continue to fund our contributions to the library and raise awareness throughout the community. In 2018, we received an extremely generous anonymous donation that allowed Friends to share the costs of carpeting the second floor of the library. And, thanks to MKM Foundation for a 3-year grant that supports our ever-increasing museum memberships. Following is a listing of some of the donations and activities sponsored by Friends of the Library in 2018:

Inside Friends Focus

Upcoming Programs at the Library	2
History of Romantic Films	2
Director's Message	3

- Purchased books and magazines for children and adults
- Awarded FOL scholarships to high school and middle school students
- Purchased museum memberships for patrons and family members for local museums.
- Purchased DVDs, board and video games
- Published periodic newsletters
- Hosted Free Comic Book Day in May
- Sponsored programs to supplement the Summer Programs at the library and provided prizes for summer program contests for children and adults
- Participated in the Book Festival to raise awareness of Friends of the Library and donated books through the Book Festival
- Sponsored web hosting for library's web site and fax service for the library
- Purchased computer equipment and software, supplies, furniture and other equipment for the library and staff
- Sponsored *Collingswood Reads* book club
- Shared costs for carpeting the second floor of the library



Friends continues to work with the Director and the Board of Trustees to support the library and make it the place you want to be!

Upcoming Programs at the Library



Check the *Event Calendar* at www.collingswoodlib.org for dates, times, and information for the following programs:

Ready to Read for ages 3-5 years old

Building Blocks for ages 18-35 months

Lego and Lego, Jr. Clubs

Read to a Dog for K-5th Grade

Dungeons & Dragons for grades 7-12

Crafternoon for Teens

Collingswood Reads Book Club for Adults

**Special Adult Program February 13th,
7-8:15 pm in the Community Room**

A History of Romantic Films

Join us as we ponder star-crossed lovers, quirky pairings, and "happily-ever-afters" throughout film history. Our discussion will be hosted by **Keith Forrest, Professor of Communication**. We'll have trivia, snacks, and a reveal of our "Greatest Romantic Film" survey results.



Director’s Message

Dear Friends,

After embarking upon a patron satisfaction survey this past summer and fall, we’re pleased to share some highlights. As educators, we thought it best to *show* rather than *tell* you about the results. The overall feedback? You love the library, and you’d like MORE. We can work with that!

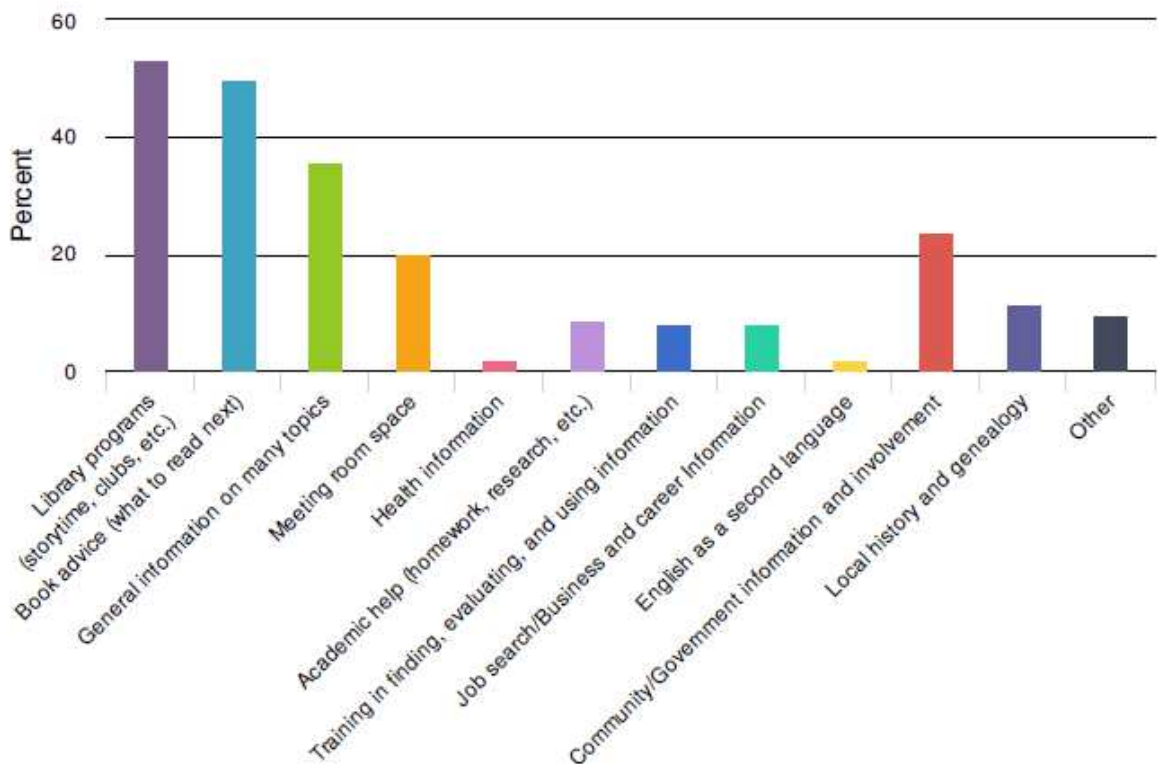
*Cheers,
Carissa*

What is the one thing you like most about the Library?

If you had to describe the Collingswood Public Library in one word, what would it be?



The library information services/areas of instruction that you *need* or *value* most are...



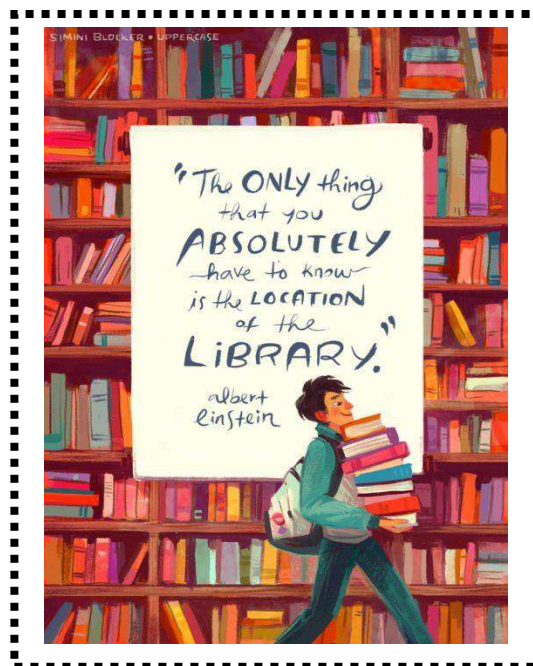
President’s Message will return in the Spring newsletter.

**This newsletter is published by
Collingswood Friends of the Library**

President – Anita Schoeffling
Treasurer/Membership - Ann Woodcock
Newsletter Contributors:
Dot Garabedian, Gabriella Graziul
Carissa Schanely, Anita Schoeffling,
Ann Woodcock

Friends meet on the Second Monday of the
month at 5:30 pm in the Director's office.

All members are welcome to attend.



*771 Haddon Avenue
Collingswood, NJ 08108*