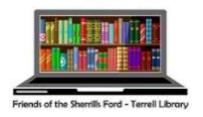


The Friendly News November, 2024



Greetings from the President

Greetings, Friends

Happy fall! As we move into the holiday season, let's remember the things we have to be thankful for: our area was hit but lightly by the hurricane season, and recovery efforts are well underway in western North Carolina. If you have sent supplies or other support to those still recovering, thank you.

The Lake Norman Garden Club has been working hard to improve the landscaping around our library, as you will see in the pages below. For our part, we have funded the project and have been asked to pick out two large planters and two benches to go near the main entrance. If you would like to go shopping, please let me know!

I am thankful for the efforts you have made in our community, whether that's with literacy programs in the schools, representing the FOL and library at the Sherrills Ford Fall Festival and beyond, assembling crafts, or doing the behind-the-scenes paperwork that makes it all possible. We're still in need of a few helpers, not the least of which is a program coordinator. Please consider filling this critical role (and the program calendar below!).

This month, we have an exciting new performance by our own Joyce O'Neal followed closely by our second-quarter business meeting and, before you know it, our family holiday event. See you there!

Cheers, Erica

FOSFTL Calendar for 2024-2025

November 12th Eighth Piano Recital by Joyce O'Neal at 6:30 in the Community Room. December 10th Annual Holiday Event with Santa at the Library. 5:00-8:00 p.m. January 21st Author Event with award-winning author Austin Allran, writer, attorney & elected official. May 10th 2nd Annual Family Fun Day, a repeat of our successful 2024 event. Date to be determined Catawba Land Conservancy program paired with a members-only tour of a "green" home. Date to be determined Researcher/historian Jennifer Marquardt, HACC Murray's Mill Site manager and Collections Assistant will speak on Catawba County history. Date to be determined Celebrated author **Tommy Tomlinson** returns to Rehobeth Church.



Sponsored by Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library in partnership with the Catawba County Library System

Colors and Contrasts

Kay

Bach

Liagt

Chopin

Dello Joio

TCHAIKOVSKY

Rachmaninoff

A return performance by

JOYCE O'NEAL

November 12, 2024 6:30-8:00 PM

Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library 9154 Sherrills Ford Rd Terrell, NC 28682

Joyce's eighth performance at the library will highlight a variety of musical subjects and styles—from the spare to the florid, from the staid to the lush, from the deliciously simple to the elaborately complicated.

Join us for a colorful evening!



In the News...

The Friends of the Library and the LKN Garden Club of Sherrills Ford is partnering to bring a

Pollinator Café to our Sherrills Ford Library in the

Spring of 2025

This outdoor garden area (approx. 2500 sq ft) will showcase a variety of North Carolina native plants that feed, shelter and sustain our local pollinators including butterflies, bees and hummingbirds.

Outdoor seating and interactive educational opportunities will be available for all of our library patrons to enjoy.

If you would like to be a part of this wonderful project or find out more about our clubs, please go to:

SherrillsFordFOL@gmail.com (Friends of Library)

LKNgarden@gmail.com (LKN Garden Club)



Waging War on Weeds

Is it ground cover? Is it a weed? Is it contagious? It might not actually BE a weed, but it sure acts like one! As you can see, it IS ubiquitous!

The Garden Club Beautification Project got underway at the beginning of October, commencing with these ladies ROOTING out the offending plants.

As the fall and winter continues we will surely see lots of activity and improvement.

Doing the digging were: **Donna Smith, Cindy Guldy, Donna Rowland, Milda Trepina** and **Kathy Bradham**.

Thanks to Kathy for the pictures.





The First Grade Literacy Program Begins The 2024-25 School Year

Not Yet, Yeti was the perfect book to kick off our 2024-25 First Grade Literacy program. Readers Beth DeMauro, Emily Huling, and Catherine Webb were "influencers" for 250+ students in 15 classrooms in Sherrills Ford, Catawba, and Balls Creek Elementary Schools! The kids loved the book and the associated craft.

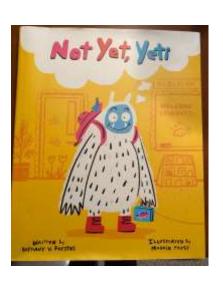
The children could relate to Yeti's first-day-of-school experience. Yeti met new friends and was anxious about trying new things. Yet, Yeti overcame his fears with the encouragement of his classmates and his teacher's words of wisdom, "Take a deep breath and try again." Wise words for any age!

Each student created a Yeti face using paper plates and cotton balls with the help of the teacher and our volunteer. (FOSFTL supplies the craft materials.) A copy of the book is donated to each classroom and each student receives a personal bookmark to remember the book and our visit.

If you are interested in helping with this program, please contact our coordinators: Emily Huling sellstrat@aol.com or Charlene Callahan charcallct@gmail.com.









November Friendly Krafts-4-Kids: Time to Rake!

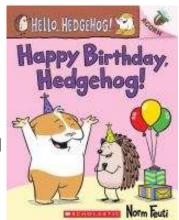
Inspired by the thousands of leaves in my driveway, I give you November's project: decorate you own hedgehog using leaves from your own garden! (And driveway, and lawn, and front porch, back porch, roof, steps, car...) Pick pointy ones, round ones, orange ones, or mix them all up!



This Kraft could be accompanied by Hedgehog Needs a Hug, by Jen Betton, or Happy Birthday, Hedgehog, by Norm Feuti, or by any other hedgehog book available from the Catawba County Library System. (Yes, there are more!)

Supplies needed are scissors glue, markers and, of course, leaves!

Sue Green's project kits will be available on Friday afternoon, November 1st, in the library lobby near the Book Sale.







Advocacy/Community Outreach Program Moves Ahead

From Emily Huling, Committee Chair

The Advocacy Committee sees our growing SF-T population as an invitation to US, the FOSFTL, to make ourselves known, and to advertise the resources available at our library. Hence, a new trifold pamphlet was created by member Joyce O'Neal and was distributed for

the first time at the Sherrills Ford

Elementary School Family Fun Day on October 26th.

Sabine Detzel, Catherine Webb and Shelley Orr manned the table, and distributed the library's promotional handouts and our new pamphlets.

Joyce O'Neal will continue her visits to agents located in the new housing

developments. The ones already contacted were eager to distribute our pamphlets, as the library is an asset to the community and a "talking point" for sales.



Join us for a festive holiday celebration at the library!

This joyful event is perfect for families and friends.

We can't wait to celebrate the holiday season with you.

Registration will open November 21st through Eventbrite, where you can register each child (Newborn to age 12). Info how to access Eventbrite to follow. Library Community Room 9154 Sherrills Ford Road Terrell, NC Hosted by the Friends of the Library Free and open to the public Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library

HELP +WANTED

We need FOL members to fill important roles in our organization:

Program Committee Chair

Program Committee Members

2nd Grade Literacy Program Readers

Family Holiday Event Helpers

Interested? Email Erica Batten at ebattenobserver@gmail.com or call 828-334-7801

Section 2012 Friends of the Sherils Ford - Terrel Library And Annual Control of the Sherils Ford - Terrel Library Annual Control of the Sherils Ford - Terrel Library

You Can Follow Us on Facebook and Instagram

We currently post pictures and information about our events on both platforms. You do not need a Facebook account to keep current.



https://www.facebook.com/FOSFTL/

We are listed on Instagram as: sherrillsfordfol

Search for **Friends of Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library** on Facebook and if you're on Instagram, we are **sherrillsfordfol**. Please LIKE and share posts! Feel free to send a message if you would like a photo of you at the library or a Friends Event posted to either site. Ellen Janzen Dewey is the Administrator and initiator of our social media sites.

Newsletter Submissions: Please e-mail **news and photo submissions, and community announcements** to Joyce O'Neal, newsletter editor, by the fourth Tuesday of the month: joyceoneal417@gmail.com.

Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library 2023-2024

Officers: Board of Directors:

President — Erica Batten Joanie Gardner

Vice-president: — Lisa Yakovenko Pat Elston

Secretary — Charlene Callahan Jeanne Lebens
Treasurer — Joe Lebens Sheryl Schuhose

Lynne Nelson

Erica Batten

Publicity — Ellen Dewey Library Staff:

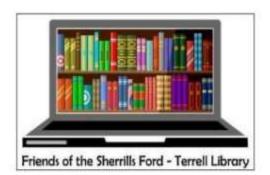
Membership — Sabine Detzel Library Services Manager — Shelley Orr

Programs — We're looking!! Librarian — Melissa Housel

Newsletter — Joyce O'Neal Library Services Specialist — Kacy Steiger

Library Assistants — Lindsay Lewis, Katherine Sisak

Location: Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library, 9154 Sherrills Ford Road, Terrell, NC 28682 Phone: (828) 466-6827



2024 - 2025 Membership Form July 1 - June 30

Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library

Consider following us on Facebook or Instagram to keep current on planned activities

http://www.facebook.com/FOSFTL or



@sherrillsfordfol

Who are we?

 The Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library is a local non-profit 501(c) (3) organization comprised of members of the community. We are dedicated to supporting the mission of the Catawba County Library System, encouraging reading, expanding literacy, providing cultural opportunities, and inspiring a passion for life-long learning in our community.

Terrell, NC 28682

What do we do?

- Support Library Programs such as the Summer Reading Program for adults and children
- Provide Community Programs throughout the year that offer broad learning opportunities for all ages
- Facilitate Literacy Programs at Sherrills Ford and Catawba Elementary
- Advocate for the Library by offering support and resources to fill needs not covered by their budget

What do you get?

- Besides the enjoyment of supporting community literacy initiatives and cultural events, your annual membership includes:
- "The Friendly News" periodic newsletters which keep you up to date on activities, events, and volunteer opportunities
- Priority Access to unique, fun, and enriching programs
- Many opportunities to Get Involved (see other side of this form for a complete list)

How do you sign up? We would love to have you join "The Friends" and we can't wait to meet you. Being part of this organization is an excellent way to support your community. Simply choose your donation level and fill out the below information. Donations above our annual \$10 Family Membership cost fund the bulk of our programs! We intentionally keep our Membership cost low and affordable. Revenues from Membership cover roughly 25% of our annual operating budget, so we very much appreciate and rely on donations beyond the basic membership cost. While most of our funds are used for our Sherrills Ford-Terrell community, a portion of our donations may be used periodically to support the Catawba County Library Endowment to ensure consistent and critical financial support beyond that provided annually by our state and local governments. Annual Renewal – Thank You** \$10 Family Membership Cost ☐ \$50 Sponsor Donation* ☐ New Membership – Welcome! *Please consider submitting your S100 Patron Donation* donation for possible Gift Matching, if □ Other Donation Amount \$ your Company offers the opportunity. Checks made payable to: Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library **Annual Membership July 1 - June 30. (as you wish used on our FOSFTL nametag) Name: Address: Zip Code: Phone: (E-mail: You can drop off the membership form and check while at the library or send by mail to: 9154 Sherrills Ford Road

get ba	ck to you. Teens may be eligible for school volunteer requirements.
	Officer Role − President, Vice-President, Treasurer or Secretary (2-year term) □ Nominating Committee to help us recruit talented Officer and Board Members
	Fundraising Committee to help us create a strategic approach to fundraising Book Bonanza Committee helps us ensure ongoing supply of books
	<u>Holiday and Special Event Support</u> helps with our events such as our children's holiday party
П	<u>Literacy Program</u> supports our program in the First and Second Grades by helping select books, assemble reading packets, or reading in one of our classrooms
	<u>Membership Committee</u> helps with outreach for renewal/new members through advertising and staffing event tables with information
	<u>Program Committee</u> partners with the library to generate and implement programs
	Refreshment Team organizes and provides refreshments for our events
	Roadies Team helps set up and clean up events
	<u>Publicity Committee</u> helps coordinate and expand how we publicize our work
	<u>Art Show Committee</u> will coordinate the dates for display with each school and the library calendar. The artwork will need to be collected from the school, library display set up and return the artwork to each school at the end.
	<u>Little Free Library Committee</u> helps facilitate a new venture with Little Free Libraries throughout our community
	<u>Friendly Krafts 4 Kids Committee</u> creates, organizes and stocks the "Take and Make" literacy-based kits for younger patrons of the library

If you are interested in any of the Volunteer Opportunities below, put a check next to them, and we will