



The Friendly News

May, 2022



Greetings from the President

Dear Friends,

How heartwarming it was to see the library community room filled with guests who attended the March local authors program and the piano recital we hosted in April! The rapid sell-out of tickets for our upcoming May 17 program with bestselling author **Diane Chamberlain** is further evidence that people are hungry for opportunities to gather again for cultural enrichment programs. And the Friends are eager to deliver!

Speaking of the May 17 program, because we hit our registration cap so quickly, Ms. Chamberlain has graciously agreed to stay in the local area so that we can hold a second program the morning of May 18. See registration details on p. 2 .

Our last gathering of the 2021/22 program year will be our **Annual Meeting and Members Social** on June 28th. We hope to resume our popular “fried chicken and potluck sides” tradition this year. Stay tuned for more details.

As we move into the 2022/23 program year, we are in need of volunteers in several areas:

Our **Program Committee** is looking for some new folks to join this popular committee.

We need someone (or a pair of “someones”) to oversee the **August Ice Cream Social** we host at the conclusion of the library’s Summer Reading Program to celebrate those who successfully meet their reading challenge.

The Holiday Events Committee is in need new leadership. This committee plans the family holiday event at the library (which morphed into the Santa drive-through the past two years), and it also oversees the creation of gift baskets for families in need who have children at Sherrills Ford and Catawba Elementary schools. If you are interested in spearheading one or both of these initiatives, please let us know.

Our **2022/23 membership drive** is underway. Please renew your membership between now and June 30, and spread the word to non-members about all the good work the Friends does to support our local library. Liking us on Facebook and following us on Instagram are simple ways to broaden our reach.

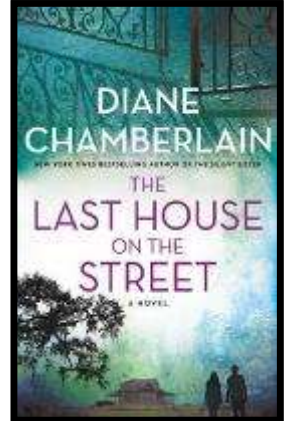
Warmly, Jeanne

***Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library
Presents***



**A Visit with
Bestselling Author
Diane Chamberlain**

Tuesday, May 17, 7:00 PM
Wednesday, May 18, 10.00 AM
Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library
9154 Sherrills Ford Rd, Terrell, NC 28682



Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library is overjoyed to report that the response to our event with Diane Chamberlain has been incredible! Tickets for the Tuesday evening event were snapped up in days. Ms. Chamberlain graciously agreed to provide a second program on Wednesday, May 18th, at 10:00 a.m. Priority registration has been offered to current FOSFTL members and any extra seats will be opened up to the general public. Online registration is through Eventbrite—see the link below; a waiting list will be maintained.

Diane will describe how she came to write this latest book, and will discuss various aspects of her journey as a writer. She will then engage in a Q&A with the audience.

Ms. Chamberlain has published 31 novels (so far!) and is on the best-seller lists of the New York Times, USA Today, and the Sunday Times. Her 31st novel, The Last House on the Street, was published on January 11, 2022.

More about the author can be found at <https://dianechamberlain.com/>

We will partner with **Main Street Books** of Davidson to supply books, available for purchase and signing, at the event. Credit cards or cash accepted.

Get Free Required Tickets at:

<https://aneveningwithauthordianechamberlain.eventbrite.com>

For more information or help with registration,
Email sherrillsfordfol@gmail.com or PM at



@FOSFTL

Presented in partnership with the Catawba County Library System, where many of the author's titles are available in various formats.



Full House for Piano Recital April 11th

ENTITLED "WILD AND CRAZY GUYS"

What sounds dangerously modern after more than a century? Why, piano music by the likes of Kabalevsky and Scriabin, Shostakovich and Khachaturian, Ravel and Scharwenka!

All of those composers, and more well-known ones like Chopin and Brahms were featured in pianist Joyce O'Neal's fourth Sherrills Ford recital on April 11th.

Our ears have gotten somewhat used to "modern" harmonies, but pieces written a century or more ago can still sound "brand new." The works presented ranged from 1817 to 1930, with written and verbal explanations to make listeners comfortable. Joyce thanks the Friends for making these recitals possible.



Summer Learning Program Registration Begins May 16th

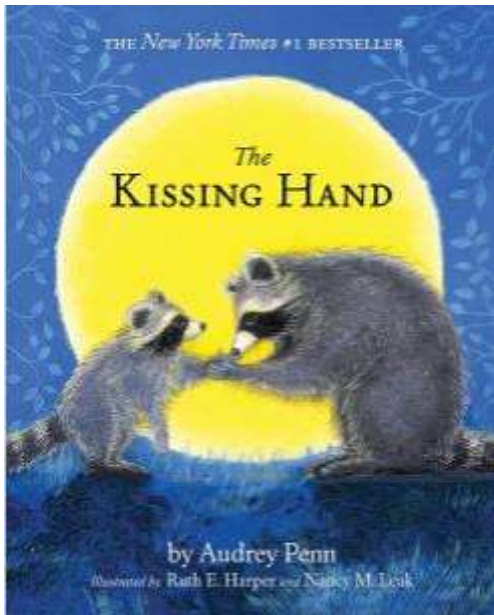
As in past years, the FOSFTL is sponsoring the 2022 Summer Learning Program. This year has an exciting mix of educational, live performances, and STEAM programs—with prizes! Activities for children, teens, and adults will include presentations by the North Carolina Aquarium, the Hickory Music Factory, the Green Bean Players, and Catawba County Parks.

The Summer Learning Program will feature prizes for registered participants based on their reading. Children will get interim awards at the 200, 400 and 600 minute marks to encourage summer-long participation.

Boasting a double focus on reading and hands-on learning opportunities, the library aims to keep learning fresh throughout the summer. Sign up starting May 16th online at catawbacountync.beanstack.org/reader365 or at the library.

Chester Has a Heart

Meet Chester the Raccoon! Our newest free [Friendly Krafts 4 Kids](#) project features a “love”ly raccoon made from all hearts. Chester is a character in Audrey Penn’s books, which include The Kissing Hands, A Pocket Full of Kisses, and A Kiss Goodbye. There are many other books in the series. They are available in print, as an ebook and in Spanish from the Catawba County Library with your patron card.



Chester has many adventures, including starting a new school, welcoming a new sibling, dealing with a bully and moving to a new home. He always finds loving advice from his mom or dad.



For ages 4 and up, glue and a black crayon or marker is all that is needed to complete the project.

To date , well over 200 patrons have participated in taking home the [Friendly Krafts 4 Kids](#) kits.



Children's Books Urgently Needed!

They just seem to disappear as fast as Susan Hunsucker puts them out!

And with summer just around the corner, there will be more

time to read. The more time to read, the more books we need!

So if your shelves are sagging with the weight of books your children have outgrown, lighten their load by lugging them to the library!

Our shelves are stocked with hundreds of the best and most popular authors' works. But they get snapped up fast! With the start of early voting, we want to keep these shelves stuffed to take advantage of that extra traffic!

In summary: thrillers and romance and history and gardening and home repair and —well, you name it! Hurry on in!



Basket Makers Need Makins'

We can use the following supplies: different colors of tissue paper, cook books, gardening books, knitting books, craft books, small clean household or decorative items, pretty 2" wide ribbons.

New baskets are on display at the library (and posted on our social media accounts). Visit the library or check them out on Facebook. If you would like to reserve a basket, tell the staff at the desk the basket ID number. The basket will be held for you for 5 days. Check Facebook often for our basket offerings! Funds raised by both our Basket and Book Sales help support our ongoing literacy and cultural programs.



Good Times Ahead: Our June Social RETURNS

The days are longer, the nights are shorter, masks are optional, and best of all, we no longer must keep everyone at arm's length! And just in time, too, because our annual Social is on the calendar for June 28th.

Remember fried chicken, and home-made desserts? Well, get ready—June will be here before you know it.



FRIENDS OF THE SFT LIBRARY 2021-2022 PROGRAM AND EVENT CALENDAR - PUBLIC INVITED!

Date	Program
May 17, Tue., 7:00 p.m.	An Evening with NYT-Bestselling Author Diane Chamberlain!
May 18, Wed. 10:00 a.m.	Repeat program – NYT-Bestselling Author Diane Chamberlain
June 28, Tue. 6:00 p.m.	Members -Only Summer Social Potluck Dinner and Annual Meeting

Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library, a not-for-profit organization is 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. Facebook.com/FOSFTL or Instagram: sherrillsfordfol



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://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.

Remember to Smile on FOSFTL When Shopping on Amazon!

The Friends are on the "favorite non-profit" list at Amazon.com, so if you shop on Amazon, we hope you will **SMILE** on us! 1. Log in to your Amazon.com account 2. Go your Account profile, find "Your Amazon Smile" 3. Select "Friends of Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library" Next time you shop, use www.smile.amazon.com

To see more of what is happening at SFT—by the week—and throughout the Catawba County Library System, visit :

<https://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/library/about/friends-of-the-library>

OR: Search in your browser for Catawba County Library/This Week @ Your Library.

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 2021-2022

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



Friends of the Sherrills Ford - Terrell Library

2022-2023 Membership Form

Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library

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.

WHAT DO WE DO?

- **Support Library Programs** such as the *Summer Reading Program* for adults and children and *The Hickory Ballet* program
- **Provide Community Programs** throughout the year that offer broad learning opportunities for all ages. Examples include: author readings, the annual children's holiday party with Santa, a "Cook the Books" recipe tasting, the History of Sherrills Ford and Terrell presentation featuring local residents, CPR/AED training. We will also sponsor the Summer Reading Ice Cream Party for finalists and present Student Art Shows in the library showcases.
- **Facilitate Literacy Programs** at Sherrills Ford & Catawba Elementary where we read with 1st and 2nd grade classes.
- **Advocate for the Library** by offering support and resources to fill needs not covered by their budget. Recent examples include purchasing a large-format printer and a laminator for the local branch.

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.
- Engage and socialize with a **Great Group of People**.
- Many opportunities to **Get Involved** (see other side for a complete list)
- Periodic Members-Only gatherings

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, fill out the back of this sheet, and either drop it off at the library or mail it to us.

Consider following us on Facebook (Facebook.com/FOSFTL) and Instagram (sherrillsfordfol) to keep current on planned activities!

Or email us at:

SherrillsFordFOL@gmail.com

Circle One: **Renewal** (Thank you!) or **New Membership** (Welcome!)

_____ \$ 10 Family Membership Cost

Donations above our \$10 Membership Cost fund the bulk of our programs! We intentionally keep our Family 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 the overwhelming majority 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.

_____ \$50 Sponsor Donation

_____ \$100 Patron Donation

_____ Other Amount Donation

Please enclose a check for the **July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023 membership year**, payable to:

Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library.

Drop off at the library or mail to:

FOSFTL

9154 Sherrills Ford Road

Terrell, NC 28682

For Renewing Members please let us know if any of your contact information needs to be updated. If not, ensure your name is on the form and write "No Changes" below. For **New Members**, please do fill in the information below so we can add you to our friends list.

Name(s)-as you wish used on our nametag(s)

Address _____

_____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

If you are interested in any of these **Volunteer Opportunities** put a check next to them, and we will get back to you. (Teens may be eligible for school volunteer requirements).

- ☐ **Officer Role**—President, Vice-President, Treasurer or Secretary (2 year term)
 - ☐ **Nominating Committee**—help us recruit talented Officers & Board Members
- ☐ **Fundraising Committee** – to help us create a strategic approach to fundraising
 - ☐ **Book Bonanza**—help ensure ongoing supply of books for this fundraiser
 - ☐ **Gift Basket Committee**—help assemble gift baskets with others 2-4 times per year
- ☐ **Holiday/Special Event Support**—help with one of our special events such as our children's holiday party where a team of volunteers help children at activity stations, enjoy snacks and meet Santa!
- ☐ **Literacy Program**—support our program in 1st/2nd grades by helping select books, assemble reading packets or reading in one of our classrooms
- ☐ **Membership Committee**—help with outreach for members, greet or/and staff our table at events
- ☐ **Program Committee** – to help generate program ideas and implement those selected
 - ☐ **Refreshment Team** – to organize or provide refreshments for one of our events
 - ☐ **"Roadies" Team** – to help set up or clean up at one of our events
- ☐ **Publicity** – help us coordinate and expand how we publicize our work