

# Book Donation Guidelines



Only donations in good shape without damage or mildew will be accepted. Donated items are offered for sale in the Friends Bookroom and/or at community book sales.

We currently accept hardcover and paperback books written for all ages and genres. In addition, we also accept DVDs, music CDs, and audio books. We do not accept textbooks, outdated reference books, VHS or cassette tapes, and magazines.

Accepted donations are limited to one box or bag of books per person per day. Larger donations can be arranged by contacting the Milford Branch library for more information.

## Bookroom Report

Friends Meeting, January 22, 2024

For a full year, until this past October, the Friends were unable to accept book donations for the Book Room and for book sales.

During that time, the Friends relied on the generous donations from our own Book Room volunteers, as well as book donations transported down weekly from the Dingman Twp Branch by our bookworms, so that we could keep our book room shelves stocked as best we could.

The efforts to keep the Book Room going paid off. As of December 22nd, sales in the Friends Book Room totaled \$12,295 and the book sales held on the library porch earned another \$679.

As many of you may know, the space allocated to the Friends for storing donated books has been significantly reduced due to the construction of the children's library. But I believe we should not only be able to keep the Book Room stocked, but also be able to accumulate enough books to have smaller book sales a few times a year.

I am hoping to have our first book sale on the Library front porch over Memorial Day Weekend. In the meantime, we are currently offering a 2 for \$1 sale on selected books in the Book Room to help stimulate sales and keep our inventory in our storage area moving.

- Given By Kathy Crawley, Book Room Chairperson



## 2024 Meeting Dates

January 22nd -  
April 8th -  
July 8th -  
October 21st -

Milford Branch  
@ 10:30am

## About the Friends

For over 43 years, the members of the Friends of the Pike County Public Library have actively worked to enrich library resources through funds from memberships, gifts and fundraising events. To date, the Friends of PCPL have raised over a quarter of a million dollars for much needed equipment for the Pike County Library, and most recently gifted a generous donation to be used toward construction and equipment costs for the new Children's Library located at the Milford Branch.

In addition to membership drives and fundraising events, including community book sales and bus trips, Friends of PCPL volunteers sort and shelve donated books and staff the desk in the Jane R. Goldstein Bookroom located at the Milford Branch.

The Friends Bookroom is open during regular library hours, and all proceeds from the sale of donated items directly benefit The Pike County Public Library. Donated items for re-sale are also currently accepted at the Dingman Township Branch.

## Honoring Pat Corcoran

.....And a grand time was had by all. The Friends finally got around to paying tribute to Pat Corcoran for the years of dedicated work that she has given to the library. From the time the "Bookworms" worked in the basement of the Community House (and moving all those books to the American Legion on the '01 Rd. for the sales) to today in a very nice new library with an actual Children's Library on another floor she has served the library. She was an important force in seeing that there was a Book Sale room in the new library. That room today provides thousands of dollars a year to the library with the availability of gently used books for sale to a wide variety of patrons.

So 50 or so of her friends gathered on October 4th at the Erie Hotel to tell her how much they thought of her. Kevin Crawley presented her with a token of our appreciation, Joyce Clark & Chris Cohen sang to her and everyone else applauded her. In her talk in giving thanks, Pat said she has "tried to give back to this library in some small way for all that the many libraries have done to enrich my long life." I think she has succeeded.



## Announcements



**Press Release:** Art Show

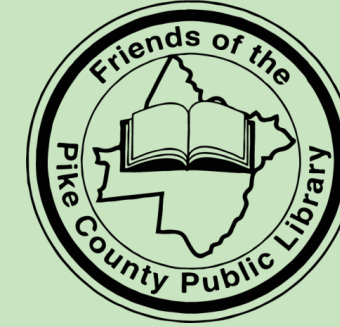
**Artist:** Phyllis Chekanian

**Location:** The Office/Gallery at Chant Realtors LV  
631 Rte 739 Lords Valley, PA 18428

**Date:** January 1st - March 27th, 2024

**Artist Reception:** Saturday, January 13, 2024 5-7pm

**Contact:** Joan Polishook, Gallery Curator  
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# WINTER 2024 NEWSLETTER

## Welcome Back Friends

To our 45th year of serving the Pike County Public Libraries and Communities.

A New Year with renewed hopes for a very happy and prosperous year. To that end we are working toward improving communication with our members, as well as increasing our membership by ensuring that residents of all Pike County know that the Friends are here and working to make things better for the County Libraries and Communities.

The Friends held our first general meeting for 2024 this past Monday the 22nd and despite weather conditions, the meeting was well attended. It is our intention to hold more meetings including general, committee, or working groups focused on specific programs and goals. For the past several months everyone on the Friends Board has been diligently working to revive and improve the Newsletter, Bus Trips, Fundraising and Events, and Membership Growth.

The operations of the BookStore and Book Sales have not only survived the construction-imposed challenges and other limitations, but funds raised from the sales of donated books have never been greater. Thoughtful book management and planning have enabled us, with the help of our 'hands on' volunteers - attending the customers, as well as sorting, handling, and physically moving books, setting up for book sales and more - have reduced waste and cost to the Library in real dollars, but also reduces the time and effort donated by all of the Friends.

Members of the Friends of PCPL already give so much; I would hesitate to ask for more. Help is always welcome in any of the activities we have always been involved with and those with knowledge or experience can only make our efforts better. We also are developing some new programs to increase our outreach to the community and would love to have persons interested join with us, working to strengthen ties to Pike County businesses through a Merchant Partner program. An outreach to the Pike County Schools will hopefully benefit the Library through increased fundraising opportunities and increasing awareness of the Friends.

An extra hand or fresh perspective is always welcome in all of these programs, so please let us know if you might like to be a part of any of them or share your ideas. If your schedule or other involvements prevent you from attending or participating in committees or groups we would appreciate it if you would continue to share your thoughts and opinions with us.

You can always reach us through the [Friends@pcpl.org](mailto:Friends@pcpl.org) or [Kcbirchwood@gmail.com](mailto:Kcbirchwood@gmail.com)

Thank you for your time and your help,  
And thank you for being a FRIEND.

For the Friends' Board,  
Kevin Crawley  
President



**Former Presidents**  
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# Thank You For Being a Friend!



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