

News from the

Friends of the Brick Library



FRIENDS Meetings

are held the first Wednesday of the month, September - June, at 10 a.m., except in December and June when the meetings start at 11 a.m.

Visitors Welcome.

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Dorothy Holtzman

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Deadlines:

Winter 2012 — January 4

Spring 2012 — April 4

Summer 2012 — July 5

Fall 2012 — October 3

Message from the President

Greetings everyone! I hope that you had an enjoyable summer. It was so nice seeing so many of you and all of your enthusiasm at the September and October meetings. Please remember that our meetings are located in the meeting room of the first floor of the library on days indicated to the left.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel our bus trip to Historic Brooklyn scheduled for October 13. However, our hard-working Trip Committee has planned an exciting trip to New York City on Monday, December 5. More info is available in this newsletter.

I express sincere gratitude to Ann Bisignano for becoming our Membership Chairman. I asked for someone to volunteer in the last newsletter and Ann responded. She now has our membership drive for 2012 underway. Please be as generous as possible. We all gain from having an outstanding library like the Brick facility.

Immediately following the November meeting, we are having an interesting

program on the World War II Battle of the Bulge. I thank Mary Roberts for making this presentation possible during the month when Veterans Day is celebrated.

Also in November, we are having a fundraiser at Simko's Grill in Brick. The flyer that you need is included. The one at Applebee's in February was fun and successful. Let's do the same with Simko's.

The December 7 meeting will conclude with our annual festive Holiday Luncheon for a nominal fee. If you don't make your reservation at the November 2 meeting, please call me from Nov 14 to Dec 5 at 732-262-3170 to reserve your spot. You can bring a dessert, salad or another food for others to enjoy.

To everyone, I wish you a nice Thanksgiving, the happiest of holidays in December and a happy, healthy and prosperous 2012.

Warm regards,
Dorothy Holtzman

Trips Chairman Needed

Our recent trips program has provided us with some wonderful adventures in the past couple of years. Who can forget Greenwich Village, The Tenement Museum, and all of the other wonderful places we have visited together? In addition, the trips acted as a painless fundraiser and benefited the Library through the Friends. We need a new chairperson to take over this committee and lead us on new and fun adventures. Please contact Dorothy Holtzman at 732-262-3170 or Pat Merk at 732-840-1040 for more information.

Special Donations in Memory of Dorothy Epstein

by Dorothy Holtzman

Donations totaling almost \$3,500.00 have been received in memory of Dorothy Epstein. The generosity of our members, friends and family of Dorothy was absolutely awesome. I can't thank you enough.



Making Sure Every Child has a book of his or her own!

By Pat Merk

Ocean County Library's 10th annual *Books for Kids* program will distribute books to local non-profit groups in Ocean County during the month of December. Starting in early November new books will be collected at the Brick Library as well as all 21 branches. Many children have never had a book to call their own and this program helps remedy that.

I collect books throughout the year at garage sales, dollar stores and other inexpensive locations to provide books for this program. Please join me if you are able.

Beginning in November new books may be dropped off at the Children's Desk on the first floor of the Brick Library.

Meeting Speakers Welcome

Have an idea for a speaker at a meeting?
Contact Dorothy Holtzman at 732-262-3170.

Program on World War II Battle of the Bulge

By Dorothy Holtzman

In celebration of Veterans Day, the Friends is having a presentation on the famous World War II Battle of the Bulge. It will begin shortly after adjournment of the meeting on **November 2**. Anita Keyser of Red Bank and Edith Nowels of Brielle will tell us about their brother Corporal Horace Marvin "Bud" Thorne, who died during the largest land battle ever fought in the history of the United States Army. He solely disabled a German tank. This Medal of Honor recipient was from Middletown. The Thorne Middle School in that community was named after him. Earlier this year, the Battle of Bulge Monument, that was at recently closed Fort Monmouth for 10 years, was relocated and rededicated at the school. Mel Russen of Point Pleasant will accompany the sisters to tell us about the organization **Wreaths Across America**. Please plan to stay and hear this informative talk.



The Holidays are Coming! Join our Celebration Trip!



Take a break and relax with friends while enjoying the light displays of the season. We will have a wonderful full Italian meal with your choice of Veal Marsala, Chicken Parma, or Broiled Salmon for your main course. There will be pasta, salad, dessert and tea and coffee as well! Beautiful Holiday decorations that you did NOT have to do will be providing seasonal warmth at the restaurant.

Then a warm bus trip around the city will show you all the beautiful decorations that accompany the season. Each year is better than the last and how lucky we are to be able to see NYC in its splendiferous best each year!

Reservations are by check either dropped off at the Brick Library or mailed to the Friends there at the return

address of this newsletter. (Indicate Meal Preference on check.)

COST: \$80.00 Includes Tour guide, bus and driver from Classic Tours, Italian meal in Little Italy and transportation spectacular displays of holiday lights in New York City!

WHEN: Monday, December 5 at 12:15 pm

WHERE: Brick Wal-Mart Parking Lot

RETURN: Approx. 8:45 pm
Call Pat Merk at 732-840-1040 for information.

DEADLINE: Thurs., Nov 4.



Business Friends of the Brick Library

Please let our Business Friends know that you are a member of the Friends when you patronize their businesses and that we appreciate their support.

- ★ ADAMSTON VETERINARY CLINIC, 437 Adamston Rd., Brick, 08723, 732-920-1617
 - ★ BAINE CONTRACTING, INC., 358 Kelly Avenue, Brick, 08724, 732-840-4011, Bainecontracting@aol.com
 - ★ BRIARMILL PHARMACY, 1820 Lanes Mill Rd., Brick, 08724, 732-840-1800
 - ★ BROADWAY RAY, LLC, 6 Mallard Dr., Brick, 08724, 732-528-8434
 - ★ LENAPE BUYRITE LIQUORS, 567 Mantoloking Rd., Brick, 08723, 732-477-4249
 - ★ OCEAN FIRST BANK, 321 Chambers Bridge Rd., Brick, 08723, 732-240-4500
 - ★ PANTEN AND ASSOCIATES, P.C., Certified Public Acct., 1845 Highway 88 East, Brick, 08724, 732-840-1600
 - ★ WANG ORTHODONTICS, 525 Route 70, Suite 1-D, Brick, 08723, 732-477-0080
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 - JACK'S LANDSCAPING & LAWN CARE, 315 Pitcairn Rd., Brick, 08723, 732-477-0065
 - WICKER-PLUS IMPORTS, 2034 State Highway 35, Wall, 07719, 732-449-3880

Welcome To Our New Members!

Individual and/or Family:

Eileen Leary, Cecilia Matey, Judy Power, Catherine Sheridan, Robert Wynn

Sponsor: Victoria Aufiero

Fundraiser

Friends of the Brick Library

Cut out & present this flyer to your server at

Simko's Grill

Only at
447 Brick Blvd.
Brick, NJ 08723
(732) 920-5050

***On Wednesday, November 2nd
& Thursday, November 3rd***

*When you purchase a
Lunch, Dinner or Take Out Food,
20% of the bill, before tax,
will be donated to*

Friends of the Brick Library

***-Only one flyer per table needed-
-Gift cards may be purchased-
-No coupons please-***



Become a Member NOW!

Choose Your Type of Membership

- Individual/Family—\$5.00
 Sponsor—\$10.00
 Patron—\$20.00
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Friends of the Brick Library

Return or mail this form and check to:
Brick Branch, Ocean County Library
c/o Friends of the Brick Library
301 Chambers Bridge Road
Brick, NJ 08723

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It's Time—2012 Membership Drive

By Ann Bisignano, Membership Chairman

The main source of income for the Friends of the Brick Library is from our members' dues so your tax deductible dues are very important to our group. For example, our giving supported two children's programs this summer, reaching over 117 children who along with their parents enjoyed these special programs together. Please consider renewing your dues for 2012 now. Any members who have paid 2012 dues by Jan 31, 2012 will be entered into a drawing for one of two gift cards at Barnes & Noble. The drawing will be held at the February 1, 2012 meeting.

If you are unsure of your membership status please contact Pat Merk at 732-840-1040. Also if you are interested in being on our Friends email list (for Friends use only) please send your email address to: plmgeneral@gmail.com. This will be used for notices between Newsletters.

The Friends of the Brick Library
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