



FRIENDS OF HARDEEVILLE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Quarterly Newsletter
January-March 2025



Volunteer for FOHCL

Currently, we are trying to fill the following open positions:

*A volunteer to audit the financial records for 2024-2025

**Recruitment Chair* – responsible for recruiting new members and organizing membership drives.

**Public Relations Chair* – responsible for publishing a quarterly member newsletter, maintaining social media (FaceBook), and keeping the FOHCL website updated.

**Fundraising/Sponsorship Chair* – responsible for facilitating various sponsorship and fundraising opportunities. Establish methods for residents and businesses to sponsor or donate towards various events.

**Events Management Chair* – responsible for managing an event and/or for providing FOHSL presence at community and Library events.

**Volunteer Coordinator Chair* – consults with member volunteers and direct them to the appropriate committees.

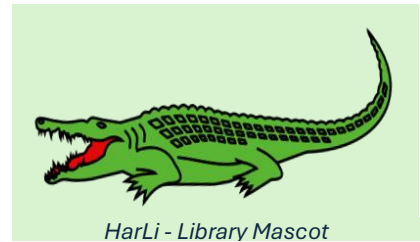
President's Message:

Happy New Year to all! This is the season to reflect on the past and what we hope for in the future. Approximately 18 months ago an interest meeting was held at the Hardeeville Community Library to see if there were enough volunteers to look into forming a Friends of the Library group. From that initial group of volunteers our Friends of Hardeeville Community Library planned for and launched the Friends group. This core group had no idea what to expect for our first year of existence and I am pleased to say the results have exceeded our dreams. I would like to take a moment to thank each person that contributed their thoughts and ideas: Beth, Dolores, Brigid, Robin, Carol, Sybil, Cathie, Sheridan, Jan, Laurie, Lauri, Julie A., Julie M., Donna, Karen, Glenice, and anyone else I might have missed. From that first meeting we have grown to over 50+ members!!!

A special thank you to Dolores Kornely for being the first Treasurer and for Lauri Via for who recently assumed the position.

There are open positions that we really need filled to continue our growth (see "Volunteer for FOHCL" section). If you are interested in a position but aren't sure what it involves just drop FOHCL an email and we'll be glad to give you more information.

Carolyn Crosby
President FOHCL



Did You Know?

The Hardeeville Community Library has exclusive items available for use and/or check out.

3-D printer – ask at the front desk for instructions. This printer is available for use in the library.

Document magnifier – need to view a larger version of a book or document? Ask about the magnifier – in library use only.

State Park Passes – check out up to 2 pass to use for FREE entry when visiting one of our state parks/beaches!

Blood Pressure Cuffs – use in library or check out. *Note: Library staff are not medically trained and cannot provide medical advice.*

Digital Apps – There is a new SCLends app available from your App store. Explore books and resources, place a hold, etc. Look for the free app below!



Hoopla, Ancestry and Heritage Hub are also available. Future newsletters will address all apps.

Remember to join our Facebook page (Friends of Hardeeville Community Library).

Need to contact us, email at FriendsofHCLibrary@gmail.com or by mail: PO Box 1837 Hardeeville, SC 29927



FOHCL News:

New Member Perk

Every new member receives a FOHCL tote bag and bookmark as part of their membership. Memberships are July-June each year. If you haven't received your bag, please email us at the address below and we'll get you a bag!

FriendsofFHCLLibrary@gmail.com

Please continue to tell your friends and family about FOHCL. We are excited to have 56 members to date as we continue to grow!

FOHCL future events

Wednesday, Feb 12 @ 2:30

3rd quarter general meeting. Meeting will be in the Community Room at the Hardeeville Library. All members are welcome to attend. We will be selecting ideas for spending the funds we have raised this year for the library. We are concentrating on the children and teen areas.

Author Talk

Look for an updated schedule about author talks in the next newsletter.

BOOK SALE WAS A SUCCESS!!!

Our first book sale was a huge success. We had over 4,000 books/DVD/Audio Books donated to sell. We sold 1,225 books and all the DVDs (644).

Our sale also directly benefited the library's circulation. We donated 99 current books from the book sale to put into circulation (approx. \$2,475 realized in savings). All remaining books will be sold or donated to another charitable organization.

The total amount raised at the book sale was \$1,753.27!!



Book Sale by the numbers:

160 volunteer hours over 6 days (including sale days and set-up/take down days)

140 "customers" over the 3 days

15 new members signed up during the sale.

How/where to invest our donations?

We are working with Ms. Thomas-Burroughs at the library to decide on enhancements that would impact the children and teen areas. If you see other a specific needs FOHCL can address, please let us know.

**VOLUNTEER
WITH US!**

Volunteer Highlights

A huge thank you to all the Book Sale Volunteers:

Carolyn & John Crosby, Karen Sheetz, Joy Nelson, Lauri Via, Brigid Schneider, Ann Marie Smigelski, Beth Miller, Peg Harvey, Janie Bradish, Barbara Merkel, Candida Pisoni, Cathie DeGonia, Conne Boltz, Dede Kruse, Sybil Mitchell, Helen Schneider, Michele Curth and Donna Ward, Book Sale Chairman.

We couldn't have been successful without you!

Membership updates:

Membership total: **56 members**

All donations small and large are welcome!

Other donations/contributions:

A huge thank you to Accurate Litho Print Shop in Bluffton for helping with all our publications, bookmarks and brochures.

Book Sale donations:

Food:
Carolyn Crosby
Donna Ward
Beth Miller
Minto – water

Book Storage Space –Terri Lewis,
Michele Curth and Cleo Dioletis

Tablecloths & Poster lamination –
Donna Ward

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