

Friends of the Library



January 16, 2020

Welcome to the new year! It was great to see so many Friends at our Annual Meeting on December 2. Enjoy these highlights from our meeting, exciting news about the big winter book sale, and information about the 3rd Annual Winter Reading Challenge. It's a great time of year to curl up with a good book (or eBook) and take the challenge.

Sincerely,
Candace Schmidt, Friends President

Annual Meeting Recap

In the past fiscal year, Friends of the Library fundraising allowed CRRL to:

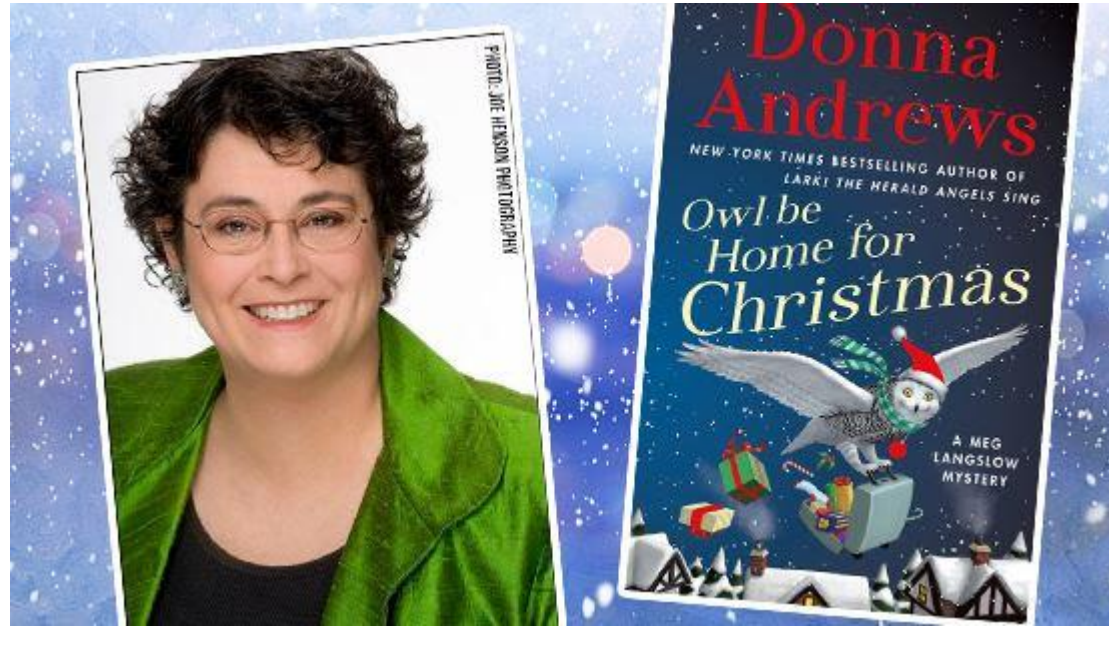
- Provide special events treasured by our community, such as the 34rd Annual Music on the Steps, the Uniquely Spotsylvania Art Show and the Fun Fests celebrating a successful season of summer reading celebrations. These Fun Fests were extra-special this year, celebrating CRRL's 50th anniversary!
- Print the quarterly @ Your Library magazine and the yearly Curriculum Connections booklet, which helps area teachers start the school year with a handy booklet of CRRL resources.
- Empower staff with unique training opportunities such as state and national conferences and CRRL's annual Staff Day.



None of this would be possible without YOU: Your membership, your commitment and your time. Thank you for all that you do to fulfill our mission to focus public attention on the library, promote the use of the library's resources and services, support library services and facilities, and fundraise--all for the Central Rappahannock Regional Library!

Many thanks to our featured author, Donna Andrews!

Donna Andrews, author of 26 books in her popular *Meg Langslow Mystery* series, discussed *Owl Be Home for Christmas*, the latest in her series which has won both the Agatha and Anthony awards. Donna is also a member of Sisters in Crime, Mystery Writers of America, and the Private Investigators and Security Association. You can read about Donna's adventures in caving, surviving PI school, and more at donnaandrews.com.



2020 Executive Committee

The slate of officers for the 2020 Executive Committee were affirmed:

- President: Candace Schmidt
- Vice-President: Stephanie Lyles
- Treasurer: Ann Beals

Winter Bookshop Book Sale



In just a few weeks we'll be opening the warehouse doors for our first sale of the year!

Friday, January 31, 5:30-7:30 - Members Only First Look! (Not a friend? You can join at the door!)

Saturday, February 1 and Monday, February 3, 10:00-2:00 - all items 1/2 price

Tuesday, February 4, 10:00-2:00 - 1/2 price in the Bookshop and \$1.00/bag in the warehouse

The **Friends of the Library Center and Bookshop** is located at **125 Olde Greenwich Drive, Suite 150, Fredericksburg, 22408**, and is open Monday-Friday, 10:00-2:00. This bookshop is the biggest in the entire library system, featuring thousands of gently used books, movies, and audiobooks at bargain prices.

Are You Ready for the Challenge?



The Winter Reading Challenge is ON! Read four or more books to earn a limited-edition travel mug. Share your book selfies on our Book Chat Facebook group, use the app for easier tracking, and complete online missions for a chance at prizes. And don't miss the Winter Reading Challenge Socials.

Sign up at librarypoint.org/winter.

Volunteers make it work! The Bookshop is doing great thanks to the work of our dedicated volunteers. If you are interested in helping out, please email [Candace Schmidt](mailto:Candace.Schmidt@crrl.org).