

Friendship

The Quarterly Newsletter of the Friends of the Lincoln Township Public Library

THIRD QUARTER: October, November, December 2018

Finances Compiled Annually by CPA

Membership Cards



You may redeem your card for used books and other items in the *Friends' Treasure Shoppe* through March 31, 2019.

Friends Support Summer Reading

Participants enjoying the 2018 Summer Reading Program included the following: 585 Children; 167 Teens; and 126 Adults. Staff members were assisted by 36 Jr. Friends who donated 835½ hours of service to the program.

Donations and Volunteers Greatly Appreciated

Donations continue to arrive at the Library and Friends and shoppers are very grateful. Volunteers sort on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday to keep the Treasure Shoppe well stocked.

Looking for a Cookbook?



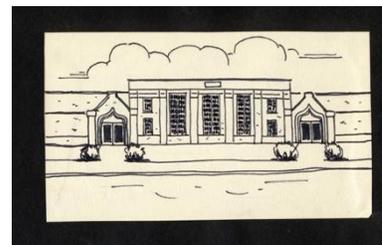
Cookbooks are located on a special \$1.00 cart in the Friends' Treasure Shoppe.

Of Historical Interest:

Friends Recognize Library's SIXTY YEARS OF SERVICE

1959--2019

In 1958, the newly formed Lakeshore School Board agreed to make the gymnasium in the Stevensville High School available to a committee for a library experiment from July 7 to August 27, 1958. The program was a success and created interest in starting a permanent library.



Drawing of Stevensville High School which was located on the east side of St. Joseph Avenue in Stevensville.

Voters approved the establishment of a public library on April 6, 1959. The original "One Room" Library was a temporary 12-foot space in the northeast corner of the Lincoln Township Hall, located on St. Joseph Avenue next to the former Stevensville Village Hall and Fire Station. Volunteers purchased lumber and a desk, built shelving, and arranged about 500 books on the new shelves. The Library opened on Monday, June 8, 1959, and was open Monday through Friday from 1-5 p.m.



Drawing of the Lincoln Township Hall located on St. Joseph Avenue in Stevensville (now the Stevensville Village Hall) which housed the "One Room" Library from 1959-1960.

Friends Executive Board Officers:

Carol Reigle-President, Carol Norbey-Vice President, Cathy Koepple-Treasurer,
Michelle Coberley-Secretary, Linda Higbee-First Director, Suellen Klein-Second Director

Membership Chairperson:

Michelle Coberley

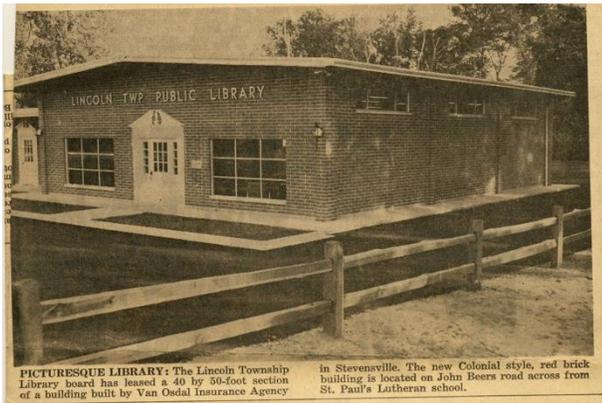
Upcoming Events and Dates:

Mark your calendars for these upcoming dates:

Event	Date	Time	Location
Book Sorting	M, W, F	varies	Storage Area

Of Historical Interest (continued)

Coinciding with the Library's upcoming **sixty years** of service to the community, will be its **forty-fifth** year of service at the current location on John Beers Road. In 1973, voters approved an additional tax for the construction of a new Library. Just prior to the move, the Library had leased the current Pizza Hut building.

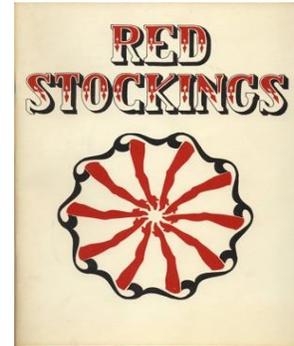


Newspaper clipping of the Library on John Beers Road (the current Pizza Hut Building). The Library served patrons at this site from 1966-1974.

Community support for the building project was substantial and went well beyond the approval of the millage. The Friends of the Library produced "Red Stockings," a variety show held at the Lakeshore High School Auditorium with over 200 local people participating in the cast and administration. The production netted \$6,600 for Library furnishings. In today's dollars, an inflation calculator indicates this would be \$37,481. *Red Stockings* took place forty-five years ago on November 9 and 10, 1973.

While the Library has been at the current site for nearly forty-five years, it has undergone two additions: one in 1983 and a second in 2000 with an increase from 7,000 to 13,000, to 25,000 square feet. The Library is a local treasure!

Program cover from *Red Stockings* (1973). The booklet contains names of local people who participated in the production. The pages of advertising serve as a historical record of local businesses.



Construction of the Library began in the fall of 1973. On July 13, 1974, the Library moved to its present site.

Boutique Book Sale

The Friends will hold the annual Boutique Book Sale starting before Thanksgiving and continuing through December. These are high quality and collectible books that make great gifts. The books will be located on tables between the adult and children departments.

Spartan and Our Family Product Code Labels

Please keep bringing the product code labels to the drop boxes on the Circulation Desk and in Rosetta's House.