

FRIENDS' FOOTNOTES

July 2026



President's Letter

Happy July and it is certainly a hot one!

I hope everyone had a nice, relaxing 4th of July weekend. We all needed the rest after our Memorial Day book sale and Wine for Pine Library event. Now that we're all rested up, it's time to spring into action for our last book sale of 2026, on Labor Day weekend. Debbie Tamiotti and Nancy Hubbs have graciously agreed to chair this event. As Anne mentioned earlier, the sign-up sheet is in the library. I hope you'll all be able to stop in to add your name to the list. This is our "bag" sale and we're hoping to sell lots of books. Please start saving your grocery bags, plastic or paper, as we will certainly need them.

Our June meeting was so much fun! Betsy is SO good at lining up our guest speakers and she didn't disappoint us. Lynn Wolf was very entertaining and her gift of art is truly incredible. Besides the wonderful stories, she shared examples of her beautiful work. Lynn has a unique gift of bringing so much personality to her drawings and capturing the essence of her custom pet portraits. Lynn's work is sold at the Farmer's Market in Pine, Espresso Chocolate in Pine or you may visit her when you're in Sedona at the Sedona Artist's Market, near the Harkins Theatre.

I am so thrilled to announce we had 4 new members join our group at the June meeting. I won't call them each out in this newsletter, but we really are happy to have them join our group! If you haven't yet joined, please come to our next meeting on July 27th. Our guest speaker is one of our favorite local writers, Gail Kittleson. Please bring a friend and come to see what Gail has been up to. We will meet in the Activity Room at 1:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served and all are welcome.

Again, please stop in the library to sign up for our Labor Day book sale, September 4th - 6th. Any and all help will be greatly appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you all on July 27th. Until then, please stay safe and happy!

Teresa Sweeney



Meeting Minutes June 22, 2026

President Teresa Sweeney called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice President Betsy Porter introduced Lynn Wolf, animal portrait artist from Sedona, Arizona. She displayed many beautiful pets and wildlife in watercolor paintings. Lynn started with family pet dogs and was encouraged to continue her art and sell it. One of her first clients was a lady who ran a wildlife rescue and these paintings were sold at a fundraiser auction that allowed her business to expand. Lynn shared several humorous and endearing stories of pet paintings she has done. She likes to meet the pet so she can capture their personality in their portrait. She explained her methods of painting.

Old Business:

Helen Palmer made a motion to approve the April 27, 2026 minutes as written In the May Library Friends newsletter. Barbara Leuw seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report:

April 2026 financials were beginning balance \$11, 278.08, deposits \$281.00, expenses \$0, ending balance \$11,559.08. May 2026 financials were beginning balance \$11,559.08, deposits \$2,029.00, expenses \$2,400.00, ending balance \$11,88.08. May figures included deposits and expenses of Wine for Pine Library. Memorial Day book sale profit of \$1,462. Wine for Pine profit was \$7,612. Sharon Balentine made a motion to approve the April 2026 and May 2026 Treasurer's report. Helen Palmer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Wine for Pine Library Event was discussed with positive feedback and consensus by the group that we shall do the event again next year. President Teresa Sweeney thanked all donors, Friends, Board, employees and volunteers for all their hard work and commitment for making the event a success. Special thanks to the Lodge at 5600 as the new venue and support.

New Business:

The library has new laminate flooring in the reception and office area paid for by a donation. Ann has requested Friends pay for three new floor protectors for desk areas at a cost of \$80.97. Barb Leuw motioned we approve the expense and Betsy Porter seconded. Motion approved.

Discussed written "Thank You" to Lodge at 5600 which had not been done. Linda Botsko volunteered to write and send that and future official "Thank You" to contributors. Carol Trimble had sent a thank you to the Gila County Sheriff's Posse with a \$150 donation as they were and in past been very helpful. Betsy Porter sent a thank you to the Bishop of the LDS church for the use of their parking lot.

We had four new members join today and one last month.

Carol Trimble will be sending out the membership renewal letters in the coming week.

We are still looking for a Secretary of Friends.

Reminder No 4th of July Book Sale. The library has signs, on Facebook, and website posted this.

Next meeting is July 27th with speaker author Gail Kittleson. No August meeting. Labor Day Book Sale and sign up sheet will be in the library.

Meeting adjourned at 2:44pm.

Members to keep in our thoughts and prayers:

If you know of someone to add to our concern list, please contact

Ann Pendleton or Diane Buechner at 928-476-3678



Library Directors Report: by Ann Pendleton

Hope this finds everyone reading a great book or listening to a fun audiobook. The library has lots of great choices for check-out!

If you know a Friend of the Pine Library who is not receiving our emails or newsletters, please ask them to check their **Spam** or **Junk** folder. Sometimes email providers mistakenly filter our messages, even if they have always been delivered successfully.