June 2, 2011
Friends of the Library Luncheon/Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Glenda Carbaugh, Kathy Dobda, Jane Dougan, Barb Florjancic, Richard Fox, Terri Greer, Frank Klaus, Joel Lieske, Georgia Lesh-Laurie, Fran Mentch, Tina Sell, Glendeen Shuga, Barbara Strauss, Glenda Thornton (Library Director), Barbara Walker, Michael Wells (Friends President)

Noon--lunch; Michael Wells convened the meeting at 12:20 pm

Agenda was reviewed:
1. Fundraising ideas
2. Scholars & Artists Reception
3. Octavofest
4. Annual Local Authors book talk
5. Ideas for book discussions
6. Other

Fundraising Ideas
Terri Greer, who coordinates the Friends book sale, suggested raising the prices of the books sold in the Friends Book Sale. After some discussion, the Friends agreed that the price of softcover books would be raised from .50 to $1 and the price of hardbound books would be raised from $1 to $2 effective June 30, 2011. Barb Florjancic suggested that the Friends sell the 2012 Book Lover’s calendar (for sale by the ALTAFF: A division of the American Library Association from the American Library Association). The Friends agreed to purchase the 24-copy minimum at a cost of $63. Calendars will be sold for $12.99 at the Library’s User Services desk and by individual Friends members.

Scholars & Artists Reception
Glenda Thornton, Director of the Library, announced that the speaker for the Scholars & Artist Reception will be Professor Mark Tebeau, Professor of History at CSU. He will discuss his grant on teaching History—and his use of digital images (October 28, 2011 at 3:00).

Octavofest
Glenda Thornton announced that the Library will participate in Ocatovfest for a second year. Octavofest: Celebrating the Book and Paper Arts, was created by Art Books Cleveland, an organization dedicated to advancing the appreciation of the book and paper arts throughout NE Ohio. This year the Library will focus on maps and map making—Bill Barrow, Special Collections Librarian will give a special presentation on the topic in October 2011. Friends members will be notified of all Octavofest events.

Annual local author program
Paula McLain will visit the Library in mid April to discuss her novel, The Paris Wife, which captures a remarkable period of time and a love affair between two unforgettable people: Ernest Hemingway and his wife Hadley. Suggested reading accompaniment: Ernest Hemingway’s memoir, A Moveable Feast.

Ideas for book discussions to be led by Richard Fox
After reviewing a number of suggested books, the group decided on the following books/dates for book discussions to be led by CPL’s Richard Fox:

- Let the Great World Spin by Colum McCann: Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at 3:00
- The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot: Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 3:00
- In the Garden of Beasts by Erik Larson: February 15, 2012 at 3:00
- World and Town by Gish Jen: March 14, 2012 at 3:00
- The Paris Wife by Paula McLain and A Moveable Feast by Ernest Hemingway: April 4, 2012 at 3:00

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.