

## Letter from the President

2021 has been an interesting year of starts and stops and starts again. Although Covid stopped many of our activities, we were still able to do some good things in 2021.

The book sales at Delaware will be forever changed because we have revamped the garage at Delaware and turned it into more of a bookstore and less of a warehouse of boxes. We have shelves with books on them. People can browse looking up rather than looking down. The Delaware book sale was our first book sale in over a year. It is good to be back.

2021 was a banner year for authors. We hosted Annie Lyons, author of **The Brilliant Life of Eudora Honeysett**; Fiona Davis, New York Times best selling author of many books including **The Lions of Fifth Avenue**; Kate Quinn and Martha Hall Kelly – Kate is a New York Times best-selling author of several books including **The Rose Code**, and Martha is a best-selling author with her latest book **Sunflower Sisters**. The year was capped by a three author visit by Connie Berry, Robin Yocum and Andrew Welsh-Huggins. All are local authors and all are mystery writers. We also ventured into a new venue by hosting Connie, Robin and Andrew at Ill Mannered Brewery in Powell – Authors and Ales. I am sure that we will do more authors at different event venues.

Although major fundraisers were not on the calendar for 2021, we still managed to raise money through our Spring and Holiday flower sales, our children's book sale at Powell Street Market, and our lobby book sales. And we hosted our first Members' picnic at Orange Library. George Needham talked and dedicated the Gazebo at Orange, which was paid for by a patron donation and a donation from Friends of the Library. We will have more member events in 2022.

Covid has curtailed some of our other activities until 2022. Our Young Writers Workshop did not happen (*continued on page 2*)

## Ending 2021 on a high note!

We interrupt our previously scheduled news to tell you about some recent large donations:

- 📖 Mrs. George Morrison donated \$20,000 to the Friends to start a music program at DCDL.
- 📖 Beanbag Books donated 750+ books to the Friends, cleaning out some inventory during remodeling.

In future newsletters, we will follow up with details about these generous donations and how they will be used.

## Friends of DCDL INDOOR Book Sale

### Location

Orange Branch

Lobby and Meeting room

7171 Gooding Blvd

### Date/Time

January 29, 2022

9am to 3 pm

Books brighten a dark winter day!



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## Friends of DCDL

### “Tea@Two” Virtual Author Visit

Sara Nisha Adams

joins us from London to discuss her heartwarming debut novel

**The Reading List**, exploring the power of books and libraries to bring people together



**Who:** Sara Nisha Adams, author of *The Reading List*

**Where:** Joining us from London via Zoom

**When:** Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 2 pm

**Tickets:** \$15, or \$10 for Friends of DCDL members. Available at <https://saranishaadams2021.eventbrite.com> starting 1/3/22.

**Books:** Purchase at local retailer Beanbag Books in Delaware

**Bonus:** Purchase treat box from Fresh Start Café to enjoy during Tea@Two! \$10 for treats, delivery available for \$5.



## Welcome, Friends!

We welcome the following New Members:

Lisa Anichowski	Jeannine Ashton
Emily Dietz	Wende Graves
Jean Guenn	Marni Molina
Monica Torrence	Debbie Towarnicky
Karen Waselko	Larry Wickliff

## Out and About

Karen Cowan and George Needham presented to the Dublin AM Rotary on Dec. 10, answering questions about the Friends and DCDL. Contact Karen at the email below if your group would be interested in having them speak at a meeting.

Linda Silverstein and Karen Cowan helped out at the Powell/Delaware Chamber holiday celebrations. The Friends are active Chamber participants, helping to spread the word about the Library's services and the work we do as Friends of DCDL.

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## Letter from the President (cont.)

(continued from page 1) in person because children have not yet been vaccinated. We talked with schools and with the Library, deciding that we did not want to risk the health of the young children who would be attending, but Steve Harpster, our workshop leader, has given us access to his on-line seminars to use until we can get the kids together. We look forward to the return of these popular workshops

2022 will be a busy year. We are eagerly awaiting the construction of Liberty Library at the corner of Home Road and Steitz Road in Powell, and we have some really cool events planned around the opening.

We really feel that the opening of a new library will bring the entire community together to celebrate, and we want to lead the celebration. We plan to have author visits, our Young Writers and Middle School Writers workshops and a few surprises for the Delaware County District Library community.

Thank you to all of our members. We truly appreciate your support and look forward to having you with us for a great 2022. And thank you to all of our volunteers who make everything happen. Finally, thank you Delaware County District Library, George, Molly, Nicole, Kyle and the staff for being the greatest library in the state.

Karen Cowan, President

## Spreading Holiday Cheer!

Donna Jackson and Judy Lynch wrote out and delivered holiday cards to 340 assisted living residents in Delaware County on behalf of the Friends.

Our Holiday Plant Fundraiser netted over \$500 for the Friends. Thanks to all who purchased and helped with pickup!

## 2022 CALENDAR

### Jan/Feb/March

January 29	Book Sale, Orange	9 AM - 3 PM
February 22	Virtual Author Visit Sara Nisha Adams, <i>The Reading List</i>	2 PM
March 5	Book Sale, Delaware	9 AM - 3 PM
	DVD Sale, Delaware	9 AM - 3 PM
March 19	Young Writers Workshop and Middle School Writers Workshop	TBA