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Lyceum Committee Minutes  
Monday, November 4, 2019  
Muzzy Room, Saunders House

Present: Mary Weissblum, Susan Oleksiw, Marsha Sloane, Ann Rhinelander, Christy Park, Cindi Williams

The minutes from the Lyceum Committee held on 10/7/19 were approved with one change noted: Jackie Linsky’s series on Archiving Materials was reduced from six sessions to three.

Wrap Up Review of completed programs:

a. Jackie Linsky held two sessions on archiving materials with strong attendance at each of thirty people. The last session will be held on 11/5/19.

b. The author talk by Michael Tougias (Ten Hours Till Dawn) held on 10/26/19 was reviewed as “fabulous.” A strong showing by forty people was reported with much interaction between the attendees and the author.

November Programs scheduled:

a. Jackie Linsky’s final archiving materials session will be held on 11/5/19 from 6:00-7:30 pm.

b. Leslie Wind will present an art demonstration on knitting and crocheting on 11/23/19 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

Percolating Programs:

a. It was decided to schedule Annie Storr for three Saturday sessions on the topic of “Exercises for the Quiet Eye (Corcoran Gallery method for looking at art). A fee of $100.00 per session was agreed and voted on unanimously. Collaboration with the Cape Ann Museum was suggested and agreed upon. Mary offered to talk to museum staff about including Annie Storr’s talks in their upcoming announcements to members. The sessions will be held at the library in the Friend Room on January 11, February 8 and March 7, 2020 from 2:00-4:00 pm. Susan will contact Annie to check if these dates work for her.

b. Manship Art Foundation program will remain on the back burner as Rebecca Reynolds, the director, is not ready.

c. The Dementia Friendly Cape Ann proposal has still not been received.
d. Regarding the talk about Hammond Castle and museum materials for 2020 with a writing program for kids connected to the talk will be finalized following a meeting on December 3rd with CIndi Williams and Jackie Linsky.

e. Cindi Williams shared three books received by the authors for the review of the committee as possible author talks. The committee agreed on one book entitled **Flight Calls** which Susan offered to review.

f. Discussion of a possible series on fishing was discussed. The committee decided to consider this topic. Susan offered to reach out to the Andover Public Library where a program on this topic recently took place. Cindi mentioned that Irma Cohen had suggested a talk on “lumping” and Susan raised the idea of a broader topic possibly to be called “Life on the Docks.” Susan asked the committee members to bring names of potential speakers on this topic to the next meeting.

g. How to make audible books as a possible program was discussed. Peter Berkrot was recommended as a narrator/presenter. The committee will discuss this further at the next meeting.

h. Ann suggested a program on the topic of the effects of shore drilling on the ocean with David Lincoln to present his research. Ann was asked to bring information on him to the next meeting for a possible spring talk.

i. The committee with review Cindi’s list of patron suggestions for library programs at the next meeting.

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**The next meeting of the Lyceum Committee will be held on December 2, 2019.**