Dear Friend,

The relaxing days of summer are passed and now we're into our busy fall routines. One final congratulations to the Friends of the Gilford Public Library!

Our lovely library staff and library Trustees nominated our group for New Hampshire's Sue Palmatier Award for Outstanding Support. And we won! Thank you to the staff and to the Trustees for this honor and for making us feel valued members of the team.

Eugene's Corner:

There is a week in October, the 4th through the 10th, that promotes the reading of banned books. This year’s theme is "Let Books Be, Protect the Freedom to Read!" Why not explore these books for the whole month! We’d like to encourage everyone to delve into some excellent literature, the access of which has often been denied at schools and libraries.

Library Stats:

What's Going On at the Library:

September was library card signup month and our library staff had a little competition. Who do you think has signed up the most patrons? Drum roll please... our winner is MAX with 48 sign-ups! Congratulations!

Don't forget, the Friends Social is on Saturday, October 17th at 1:30. Please remember to RSVP by October 1st! Guest speaker, Jeff Zygmont, the New Hampshire writer and poet will present on Edgar Allen Poe and his work *The Raven*. And last but not least, Curt's Catering will tempt our taste buds again this year.

Coming up! We are having our annual meeting, during which we will be voting on a slate of new board members. Shortly after that, on October 23rd at 4pm, Miss Jill will lead us again on the ever-popular Spooky Storywalk. Volunteers are needed! The signup sheet for volunteering is at the children's desk. Come help read the story or escort the kids across the street to Sarah Peck Park. Mark your calendars! Voting Day is almost upon us, the Friends' will have a table at the entrance to the Youth Center when you come to vote on November 3rd, so come say hello! And in the not-so-far future, the Candlelight Stroll is happening again on December 12th, more info is soon to follow.

We hope to see you at our next meeting October 20th, at 4pm.

Gratefully,

~The Friends of the Gilford Public Library Board

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