



Shari Ross, President  
Jeff Ludwig, Vice-President  
Marcia Walsh, Membership/Treasurer  
Joyce Cavanaugh, Secretary

July 2017

At our Annual Meeting in April, I was delighted, on behalf of the Friends of Seymour Library, to present Director Lisa Carr with a check for \$4,000. It was a wonderful way to end my four year tenure as President. Congratulations to our newly-elected officers, President Shari Ross, Vice-President Jeff Ludwig and Secretary Joyce Cavanaugh.

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Jeff Ludwig, Joyce Cavanaugh, Shari Ross, Marcia Walsh

## Meet our New Officers!

### Shari Ross, President

Newly elected **President**, Shari Ross, moved to Auburn in 2000 from Cortland. Her love of the Finger Lakes, she claims, is due to growing up in Skaneateles. After retiring from SUNY Cortland, preceded by many years teaching and being science coordinator at several schools in New York State, she refused to part with her joy of working with students in the teacher preparation program and as a result still works with student teachers. When she moved to Auburn, she got to know Seymour Library in several ways: as a place to obtain large print books for her

Mother, as a place to take her Granddaughter for children's events and those Friday night borrowed videos, and as a book club member. She has met so many wonderful people as a result, not only at the library, but also at Seward House where she volunteers. She vows that Auburn will be home forever. She states that the library is a welcoming place and that it is a privilege to be able to serve as President of Friends, knowing that so many others care and are willing to work on projects to support the library.

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### Jeff Ludwig, Vice-President

Jeff Ludwig grew up going to libraries all over Maryland with his Mother who was a teacher (admittedly sometimes done to beat the heat). He recalls that walking into a new library was as wonderful as opening a new book. At age fourteen Jeff's first job was as a library page. Before moving to Auburn to work at the Seward House, he worked at the Rochester Public Library while completing his PhD in American History. Upon moving to Auburn in the summer of 2015, one of his very first stops was at Seymour Library and it was love at first sight. Soon he became a Friend of Seymour Library and he is the newly elected **Vice President**.

### Joyce Cavanaugh, Secretary

Auburn native, Joyce Cavanaugh, recalls her childhood when her Mother would bring her to Seymour Library where she developed her passion for reading, a trait that has been part of who she is. In particular, Joyce became very interested in the history of Auburn and its sites and events. While doing her research, she learned that her home was built by the man who built Willard Chapel and the former Post Office Building (James Stout). Joyce spent the last twenty years as a tour guide and volunteer coordinator at Seward House Museum, a place that enhanced her love of reading and research. Joyce also was self-employed, working with her husband at his photography studio. In the last few years she became a member of Friends and has helped at events. This spring she was elected as **Secretary** of Friends. Joyce states that she feels privileged to be a member of this organization and has made a lot of new friendships as a result.

## Welcome New Friends!

Our annual membership drive, led by Marcia Walsh, generated fifty-eight new members, including our **300th** member, Marcia Mills!

Wendy Applebee  
Joe & Sharon Artman  
Rose Bartolotta  
Mary Beardsley  
Debra Bryant  
Elaine Buffington  
Patty Cadwallader  
Barbara Calimeri  
Kathleen Carnes  
Dr. Theresa Casper-Klock  
Jeannette Chappell  
Joanne Charles  
Don & Pat Cleaver  
Jill Clifford  
Paul Crapo  
Lynn Cummings  
Angela Daddabbo  
RoseMarie Damelio  
Katherine Dennihy  
Faith Doyle

Judy Doyle  
Carey Eidel  
Matt & Jessica Ellsworth  
Mike Evans  
Linda Ferraraccio  
George & Cheryl Gabak  
Suzanne Gatto  
Sheila Giangreco  
Kathy Gray  
Mena Hansinger  
Mike & Ginny Kapusta  
Kathy Kruger  
Terry Litterest  
Joyce LoBisco  
Chris Long  
Jody Longeill  
Joe Lopiccolo  
Pollyann Losito  
Patty Lupien  
Diane McKeon

Molly McKeon  
Paul McDonald  
Eileen McHale  
Marianne Mendzef/Marty  
Keough  
Loraine Miller  
Marcia Mills  
Allan & Helen Miskell  
Nancy Prosser  
R. G. Wright Agency, Inc  
Reardon Realty  
Julie Relyea  
Ed Sayles  
William Dorr/Janet  
Scarborough  
Brett Smock  
Marcus Sylvester  
Maureen Walsh  
Jim & Maggie Wells  
Louise Wilson

### Mark Your Calendars!

#### Upcoming Friends Meetings:

**July 19th, August 16th, September 20th 6:00 pm in the Fireplace Room**

### Friends of Seymour Library April Raffle Winners

**Our raffle raised over \$1,200! Thank you to everyone who donated and bought tickets!**

- 1st Prize:** Two wine tasting passports donated by Three Brothers Winery -Anne Melnick  
**2nd Prize:** Family Pass to Sky Zone Trampoline & Ninja Turtle Stuffed Animal - Margaret Clark  
**3rd Prize:** Wine Basket donated by The Lodge - Paul Scott  
**4th Prize:** Gift certificate donated by A.T. Walley/Bottle of "Cayuga Gold" - Florence  
**5th Prize:** Basket of \$50 worth of NYS Lottery tickets donated by two "Friends" - Roberta Panek  
**6th Prize:** \$25 gift certificate to Springside Inn donated by Joan Sigona & bottle of wine - Maureen Timian  
**7th Prize:** Energy Coloring Book donated by Barbara Klem - Joanne Mitchell  
**8th Prize:** Historical Markers Book donated by Barbara Klem - Lee Indelicato  
**9th Prize:** Gift basket of Kitchen items donated by Joan Sigona - Maureen Timian  
**10th Prize:** "Color Your World" Portfolio and supplies - Pam Kirkwood



If your Friends membership is up for renewal in  
July, August or September  
you will find a renewal form enclosed.

