

December Friends File: We have a new Friends Secretary, Sherry Pruyn



After running all summer and into the early fall without a secretary we are pleased to report that Sherry Pruyn [pronounced “Prine”] has agreed to serve as our Secretary. Asked to share a bit of her bio she writes:

“I moved to North Hampton, New Hampshire three years ago this month from West Newbury, Ma. I joined HRCU in September 2024 as the new branch manager for their new branch in Greenland, NH -- not far from the post office. We opened November 18th.

“I previously held a position as a library trustee for G.A.R Memorial Library in West Newbury. I was also as a Friend and past president with the Friends of the Library for G.A.R. Memorial Library.

“I am passionate about my pets (many cats); I have eight but don’t want to advertise that I am the crazy cat lady.”

Welcome, Sherry! When you see Sherry around the library take a moment to greet her. And special thanks to Stuart Bauder who, in the interim, served as both our treasurer and our secretary. Deep appreciation, Stuart.

As an aside, membership in the *Friends* is open to anyone whose supports the mission of the *Friends* and is a dues paying member. Membership is not limited to Greenland residents. Individuals who work in Greenland and live elsewhere are more than welcome to join our *Friend-ly* crew. In fact, let’s encourage it.

Rockingham County Friends meeting (un)report

While Shirley Baron, Chris Peters, and I attended the first meeting of Rockingham County *Friends of the Library* in Exeter unfortunately none of us were able to attend the second meeting at Newmarket Library earlier in November. I continue to believe that the idea of a regional *Friends* group meeting on a semi-regular basis offers substantial opportunities for increasing our ability to effectively engage with our local communities. I hope there will be a report from that meeting. We will continue to follow that work and report on it in this column and at our monthly meetings.

Speaking of which, all are always welcome at our meetings. Hope to see you there.

~David Phreaner, *Friends Chair*