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2017

Greetings from the President



The Program Committee has a VARIED and EXCITING roster of offerings for 2017-2018, starting with our Kick-Off Program,

“Fun Things For All Ages to Do in Catawba County!”

Summer’s almost over, all the company is gone and you are now looking for things to do. Come to the Friend’s September program and learn about all the fun things to do in Catawba County for all ages. Twenty representatives from Catawba County organizations will provide information about Cultural, Educational, Tourism, Volunteer and Just Plain Fun opportunities in an open-house format. The community room will be buzzing with energy!

For example, did you know there is a 3-day “Oktoberfest” celebration in downtown Hickory that has been held for over 30 years and has become one of the premier festivals in Western NC? Or that from mid-September to the end of February there will be an exhibit at the Hickory Museum of Art of photographs of endangered animals by Joel Sartore (who was recently the subject of a three-part documentary on PBS)? And there are numerous opportunities to volunteer with a number of organizations and share your skills to help others.

There is no FOL meeting; just the opportunity to interact with representatives, get your questions answered and learn about all the fun things to do in our own county.

Visit our SFTOL table to renew your membership, learn about our 2017-18 Program Schedule, AND find out about a very special opportunity (more to come in September’s Newsletter).

The program is Tuesday, Sept 19, at 6:30 pm in the Community Room at the Library. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends.

Hope to see you there!

- ♦ Sept 19th at 6:30 p.m.: Our Kick-off Program Promoting **“Fun Things For All Ages to Do in Catawba County!”**
- ♦ A few photos from the Ice Cream Party FOL sponsors for the **Successful Summer Readers** Page 2
- ♦ New course sponsored by FOL and the CC Library System: **“Let’s Take the Mystery Out of Music”** Page 2

FOL Ice Cream Party for the Successful Summer Readers

Readers and Families arrive for the party:



Making difficult choices about toppings:



SOO many prizes to choose from.....



More photos and a complete report on the Successful Summer Reading Program will be in the September Newsletter!

“Let’s Take the Mystery Out of Music”

Ever wondered why we're still enjoying the “Hallelujah Chorus” after 275 years? Or Beethoven’s Fifth Symphony after 209 years? Or the “Four Seasons” of Vivaldi after nearly 300? Come find out! A free, six-week course will begin on September 25th at 4:30 and we will examine just a handful of iconic Western compositions to reveal the reasons they have never lost their appeal. What Makes It Great?, by Rob Kapilow, will be available from the library (with text already highlighted) and anyone can listen to the examples at its website. **Attendees do not need to read music, nor attend every session! No technical terms, no foreign vocabulary! Test-free, stress-free, and all ages welcome!**

All you need is ears!