

Notes of the October Email Meeting Damascus Library Advisory Committee

First Pam Hosimer, chair, let us know that the October meeting was scheduled for the 9th, but that she did not have any pressing business so we might choose to communicate by email. Regina Holyfield-Jewett had not informed us about the details of the Joint Meeting by that time but later replied that the November Joint Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 7, at Rockville Memorial Library. A reception will start at 6pm with the meeting following at 7pm. If members plan on attending, please RSVP. The Joint Meeting is usually the same night as the Board meeting, but that is not the case this November. Pam let us know that she would not be able to attend the joint meeting; however, Ann Stillman, agency manager, said that she will attend and Renée Minnick would accompany her if Ann or some other member would drive. It was decided that, because several members could not attend the Joint Meeting, we will hold our regular Damascus LAC November meeting on Tuesday, the 13th.

The members commented on several topics:

Renée reported that Damascus FOL receives donated items which it sells in the lobby of the library. The funds are used for the enhancement of Damascus library programs and activities.

Renée also commented that it is difficult to understand why it isn't easier to have a liaison come to a Damascus LAC meeting. It's only once a month and it's really not that far north. The members of the committee heartily agree – we have not seen a liaison in several years.

The recent changes to the outside of the building have been completed, with suggestions by Susan Wells made to Ann about some access problems.

Diane Cockrell asked about inviting the District 14 state legislator to our LAC meetings. We have invited Montgomery County council members in the past. Mike Knapp and Craig Rice have attended events at the library.

Diane also brought up the possibility of having a Saturday morning Joint Meeting. Usually they are held in the evening. One June Awards meeting was held on a Saturday morning, but attendance was so low that meetings have never been scheduled on Saturdays again. An Upcounty special meeting was held once; however, that was not popular either. Please let's remember to mention this suggestion to our liaison.

Pam wrote that Hector Morey, from the Library Board, asked her if she has finished the annual report for Damascus LAC. None of us has been aware of the need for an annual report....

**Our next meeting, unless otherwise announced, will be held on
November 13 at 7 pm in the large meeting room of the library.**

All meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month, in the large meeting room of the Damascus Library from 7:00-8:00 pm, unless otherwise announced.

October 9; November 13 or Joint Meeting; December 11; January 8 or 9, 2019 (2nd Joint Meeting?) and attend Upcounty Forum, dates TBA; February 12 [optional pre-meeting dinner]; March 12; April 9; May 14 [no formal meeting – optional tour of another library]; June 11, 2019