WINE TASTING & CRAFT BEER TASTING EVENT - WE DID IT!
Chairperson Ruth Mutchler reports the event was a rousing success!

- Tickets sales = 269 sold (24 at the door) More than last year!
- Attendance = 244 Also, more than last year!
- Weather = no storms (unlike last year)! Thank you, Mother Nature.
- Basket drawings = Over the top! More $$$ than ever before!
- A complete financial report will be shared at the March meeting.

Guests were very complimentary about the wines, beers, food, baskets and hosts. It was a very friendly afternoon - so many smiles! Thank you to all the volunteers, everyone gave it their all! A special thank you to the kitchen crew, Lisa Sutton, Dan Sutton, Ed Bobinchak and Mary Anne Persson who pulled out all the stops working without the automatic dishwasher. All those glasses!

Thank you to Ruth and the whole committee! Well done to all! And to quote Sue Glover, “It was epic!”
SPRING EVENT - UPDATE
Artist Among Us Chairperson Susan Horvat has been working with area artists to stage a show at RADL. The artists have suggested this show be moved to the fall. Many who would like to participate are Snow Birds and won’t return for a few weeks. This year's theme is Art From Natural Resources and promises to be fascinating!

USED BOOK SALE - UPDATE & HELP WANTED
Chairpersons Linda Brick & Gail Lynch announced at the October Membership Meeting they need to pass on leadership of the spring Used Book Sale. We've had no volunteers step forward to chair this event. Linda will pursue some Friends to act as leaders and in the meantime, keep the sorting going.
HELP WANTED - Used Book Sorting Sessions
   Wednesday, March 13, 10:30 - Noon  3 people
   Thursday, March 21, 10:30 - Noon (if needed) 3 people
Contact Linda Brick friendsofradl@gmail.com or 248-835-3036

RADL - HELP WANTED
Check your calendars! So many great programs coming up! Check your RADL calendar! Here’s just a few . . .
• March 7, 12:30 - Throwback Movie Matinee “I’d Rather Be Rich” (1964) Sandra Dee, Robert Goulet, Andy Williams
• March 14, 3:00 - Al Eicher presents “Mark Twain and his Michigan Connections”
• March 28, 4:30 - Author visit Mardi Link
HELP WANTED - Snacks (baked goods, fruit, veggies, cheese, crackers) 4 people
Contact Linda Brick friendsofradl@gmail.com or 248-835-3036
• Friend Brenda Mikula has a project planned for kids to make dog tug-toys for the animal shelter in April.
HELP WANTED - Brenda needs used t-shirts, any color. She will be cutting them into strips for the kids to braid. Drop t-shirts off at RADL anytime in March and early April.

FOML (FRIENDS OF MICHIGAN LIBRARIES)
Spring Workshop and Fred Ruffner Symposium
Novi Public Library, Thursday, April 4, 2019
This year’s focus - “Meeting the Challenge”
Synopsis: Libraries are viewed as open access organizations, providing information resources and materials to their communities without barriers to those services. Libraries have an obligation to provide materials and information which represent all points of view and which reflect diversity of opinion. What happens when a library is challenged about its selection of materials or its use of meeting room space? How does a library meet that challenge?
We have in previous years, sponsored 1 - 3 Friends members to attend the workshop. The Friends pay for the $25 registration fee. All other expenses (travel, accommodation) are paid by the attendee. Friends of RADL Secretary, Susan Horvat is interested in going. Anyone else? Please contact Linda Brick friendsofradl@gmail.com or 248-835-3036 if you’d like to go.

2019 Bylaws Review & Revision
As directed by the Friends’ Bylaws, the Board of Directors conducted an annual review of the Bylaws. Changes were made in an attempt to:
• establish the use of consistent terms and language throughout the document,
• have the Bylaws reflect the current operations of the Friends of RADL, and
• provide information members and officers may seek to do their assignments.

It is our hope these Bylaws reflect how our group has evolved. For example, over time, some committees or tasks have been changed or absorbed by other committees. Some events or tasks are no longer active within the Friends. Changes were made to reflect that evolution.

The revised Bylaws & Standing Rules (adopted last year) are attached to this newsletter for your review. As directed by our Bylaws, a copy is also available at RADL for review. (Older Bylaws are on the Friends tab of the RADL website for comparison.) The revised Bylaws will be presented at the April Membership Meeting for vote. Please review the Revised Bylaws prior to the April Membership Meeting. Thank you!

Friends of RADL Officers & Committee Leaders