

## NATIONAL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY WEEK, OCT. 15-21, 2017



*Photo attached: Friend volunteer Janet Rochester sorts books for the Friends of the Library book sale. The next sale will be Saturday, November 11, from 10:00 am to 1:00 p.m. at the Accomac public library.*

ACCOMAC, VIRGINIA (October 16, 2017) – Many Eastern Shore readers look forward to library book sales each year. These are made possible with the Friends of the library volunteers! The money raised at these book sales and other Friends of the Library fundraisers are used to purchase computers, supplies, furniture, and programs at your local library. October 15 to 21 is **National Friends of the Library** week. Here on the Shore, we have Friends groups at the Accomac, Cape Charles and Nassawadox libraries. Chincoteague has an informal group of friends with their many volunteers and board members.

Recent Friends donations have included new children's Early Literacy computers at the Nassawadox and Accomac libraries. The Friends of the Northampton Free Library donated the funds with a generous contribution from Tommy and Francie Rayfield and other Friends members. The Friends of the Eastern Shore Public Library secured the funds to purchase the computer for Accomac through a United Way grant. The Cape Charles Friends funded the supplies for youth Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) programs. Each Friends group financially supports the libraries' summer reading programs. Each Friends group has contributed generously to the construction to the new regional library.

Donations from the Friends of the Library help support your local public library when other funding falls short. Their donations enable libraries to try new innovative programs and technology to meet the growing demands on library resources. Please consider joining your local Friends of the Library. Information is available at the libraries in Accomac, Cape Charles, and Nassawadox. The Library staff thanks all the Friend volunteers for their time, passion, and moral support!

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