## DRML Fundraising Committee Minutes/Report

Meeting of the full Committee, Wed. Nov. 8, 2017 1pm

Present: Sue Vaughn, Connell Gallagher, Holly Hall

We had 3 agenda items: November basket raffle, Auction items for Dec. and Jan., and the "Sip & Spell" event for February.

Baskets: We have 5 themed baskets (Maple, Apple, Mystery Books, Snowflake Chocolates and a "Dog, Cat and Postcard" basket). Connell noted that it was difficult to find donors for these baskets this year, and recommended that we begin soliciting earlier next year, i.e., September. He recommends cultivating potential donors earlier and developing a list of Jericho/Underhill citizens who might consider donating baskets. We heard about this approach at the VLTA Conference last week. The Milton Library puts up an average of 35 baskets every November!

Auction Items: We have a pair of birdfeeders that we may put up for December and some Beatrix Potter fine china items for January.

"Sip & Spell" Adult Spelling Bee: The subcommittee involved in the planning for this event met on Wednesday Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> and set the date of the event for Friday Feb. 9, 2018 from 7 – 9pm. Bob Cochran of Jericho offered to serve as MC for the night. Sue Vaughn is going to ask the Jericho Café to donate a platter of finger food for about 40 persons, and Elisabeth is planning to ask Katie Lesser of Healthy Living to donate the wine. All will be gathering appropriate words (easy, moderate and difficult) and sample sentences for the event: Mary Jane Dickerson, Sue, Elisabeth, Bob and Connie. We will try to have a Vermont/New England focus for the words and will begin by consulting two little books by Wolfgang Mieder at UVM: Yankee Wisdom: New England Proverbs and Talk Less and Say More: Vermont proverbs.

Next Meeting for "Sip & Spell" Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at 1pm

Respectfully submitted by Connell Gallagher Nov. 16, 2017