Notes from September 15, 2026 Friends of the JKPL Meeting.

The Friends' Membership Drive has been moved to the fall. They have been working with One Step (formerly Heritage Printing) to create a one-page, double-sided letter. It will be heavier paper - tri-fold with stickers to close the sides. The letter includes photos, brief information about the Friends, a QR Code so electronic donations can be made, and a portion to cut off and attach to physical donations. Letters will be mailed to every household with a Dyersville address (city and rural) and a JKPL card holder, as well as local businesses who have been members. The Board approved providing addresses only to the Friends for this purpose. Dawn will provide an excel file with the addresses and One Step will merge those with the letter, print, fold, seal, and mail. Approximately 1,500 letters will be sent. The goal is for the letters to go out before October 26.

The July book sale brought in $1,084. Lynn Osterhaus has been working to organize and clear out older books. The JKPL set up a "buyback" account with Thrift Books. Items not sold at recent sales were scanned and Thrift Books offered credit for some – totaling $259.68. The JKPL will use this credit to purchase books.

The Friends are planning a one-day book sale on Saturday, December 5, from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm – to coincide with the JKPL Cookie Walk, Downtown Market, and special activities at the JKPL.

The 2027 Bus Trip fundraiser to Circa 21 will be to *Mama Mia* on Wednesday, May 26.

The Friends reviewed the amount of funds currently in their checking account and decided to move $10,000 to a CD. This will be added to their current CD of just over $19,000.

Their next meeting will be November 17, 2026, at 2:00 pm.