
Director's Report

December, 2016

Personnel

As you can see by Anne's report, all positions mentioned in last month's report are now filled.

Buildings and Grounds

Bernie Reagan and his crew will begin work on the roof over the café area on Monday, December 12th. The work should take about a week. He brought me up on the roof to show me the problem and how he plans on fixing it. I am confident this will finally be the repair that will solve the problem long term. His estimation is that the remainder of the Mod-Bit roof has at least another 5 years of life in it.

As you know, our award of \$32,755 came through from the New York State Thruway Authority. I will begin to put together a plan and timeline of repairs and purchases.

Rental Properties

The new tenant has taken possession of the big office on the first floor of DePew House. We had some interest in the other office on the Hudson Ave. side of the building but so far no takers.

Meetings and Programs

The November Carnegie Concert was a big success, with 60 people attending an entertaining concert from Joe Durso. A singer/songwriter, Joe sang a low-key and lovely variety of songs and the audience enjoyed it thoroughly. The December concert, Sing-We-Enchanted has a full pre-registration so we expect a big crowd. Our new Steinway will be delivered this month and the Lester Piano will be donated to Rockland Pride. Thanks go to the Friends for purchasing this fine instrument which will have its first official debut on February 19 at the Carson McCullers program. We are thrilled to have such a fine instrument and grateful to the Friends for their enthusiasm and willingness to fund this purchase.

The Carson McCullers program will be the first in tow collaborative events, with the Nyack Center, the Pride Center, Rivertown Film and the Carson McCullers Center at Columbus State University in Ohio. The Library Program will be a musical program, followed by a reading at the Library and then there will be a reception at the Carson McCullers House. This event will take place on February 19th and I invite you all to attend.

As a follow-up to that event, Rivertown Films will be showing two films on March 25th, entitled "A Domestic Dilemma" and "A Tree A Rock A Cloud." The filmmakers and a representative from the Carson McCullers Center will participate in a Q&A after the films. This event will take place at the Nyack Center.

The Donor Gala was a success, attended by donors, guests and trustees who enjoyed the beautiful music from the Nyack High School string quartet and the lovely spread put together by Dane.