MINUTES FROM TIF MEETING MARCH 2, 2017 at SACHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY

The meeting was called to order at 10:10am by Chris DeCristofaro. The minutes from the February meeting were read and approved. Chris encouraged those present who were not members to join the Technology Information Forum (a division of CATS). He then welcomed our guest presenter, Barbara Tierney, Community Business Development Manager from Barnes & Noble.

Barbara spoke about the Makerspaces that many of the libraries are creating and that cover a wide spectrum of age groups and interests. Barnes and Nobles offer many innovative products and they will be holding their annual Maker Faire in November, bringing together inventors, artists, readers, hobbyists, etc. She demonstrated some of their products and then invited the audience to explore the various items out on display.

After a question and answer session with Barbara, the group was given a tour of the Sachem Library and the various Makerspaces they created for children, teens, and adults.

The meeting ended at 12:40pm. The next meeting will be held Connetquot Library on April 5th at 10am.