“Christmas Prairie Tales”

Local authors have collaborated on a book just in time for the holidays entitled “Christmas Prairie Tales.” Nine members of the FreeLance Writers Club contributed material for the book that includes Christmas themed stories and poetry.

Janet Portiner, president of the non-profit club and a library assistant at the Norfolk Public Library, said that the group had discussed the idea of publishing a book for several years. Members of the club submitted material this past year then went through the process of selecting and editing the final pieces. The 66 page paperback book was printed and delivered to the club in November. It is currently available for sale at the Nebraska Created store in the Sunset Plaza Mall and at The Abbey.

Portiner said that sales from the book will be used to help the group publish another book entitled “Prairie Tales” with the goal of contributing those profits to area charitable causes.

The Norfolk Public library is hosting a reception and book signing of “Christmas Prairie Tales” on December 4 at 6:00 p.m. in the large meeting room of the library. Authors will share some of their published Christmas stories and poetry at the reception. Cookies and hot cider will be provided.

Authors who have contributed to the book are Evelyn Muegge, Portiner, Jean Tiedtke, Linda Keeler, Marvin Gibson, Rebecca Chvala, Marcie Sextro, Donna Woods, and Vida Sunderman.

A book signing will also be held at the Raymond A. Whitwer Tilden Public Library at 202 South Center Street in Tilden on December 1 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The public is invited. There is no fee to attend either event.