

Friends of the Youngstown Free Library Quarterly Newsletter

SAVE THE DATES! 2015 Events

Bowling for Books

Sat, March 7, 2-5 p.m. Lewiston Event Center

Desserts in the Stacks

Fri, April 17, 6-8 p.m. At the Library

Spring Book Sale

Thu-Sat, April 30-May 2 Village Center Gym

Summer Reading Program

End of June through middle of August

Fall Book Sale

Thu-Sat, November 5-7 Village Center Gym

Friends of the Library Board Meetings

3rd Wednesday of the month (except July and August)

7 p.m., Library Meeting Rm.

Library Board of Trustees Regular Meetings

4th Monday in Mar, May,Jul., Sep. and Nov.7 p.m., Library Meeting Rm.

Work Sessions

4th Monday in Feb., Apr., Jun., Oct. at 7 p.m., Library Meeting Rm.

Annual Membership Renewal

Once again the Friends of the Youngstown Library are asking you to renew your Friends membership. We hope you have made use of your membership this past year - attending the first evening of the book sale at 'Members night' and enjoying the information in the newsletter. Membership continues to be only \$5 for an individual or \$10 for the family.

We hope you will renew your Friends membership for 2015 by filling out the information on the tear-off portion of the letter. We are again offering as an incentive, the chance to win one of 10 gift certificates valued at \$20 each from Youngstown area businesses. Anyone who renews before the drawing will be entered to win. Winners will be drawn at the Spring Book Sale Members' Night on Thursday April 30, 2015. (You need not be present to win.)

When completing the form, please let us know if you would like to volunteer at Friends' events. Also make sure you have included your email address so that we can email future newsletters for you.

Then mail the form together with your check, using the enclosed envelope, or drop it off at the library the next time you are there.

BFF?
('best friend forever')

Become a

Friend today!

Membesthip:
(5) person, '10 family, '25 supporting

Forms available at
youngstownfreelibrary.org
and the Library)

If you have a friend or neighbor who uses the library but is not a Friend, please show them this newsletter and the renewal-request letter and encourage them to join.

Thank you for your support!

Friends' Annual Meeting Report - January 21st, 2015

The Friends' Board held their annual meeting on January 21st and elected new officers and directors to a 3-year term.

Officers elected to the 2015 board are: President - Charlotte Clark, Vice-president - Lynn Funk, Treasurer - Bill Siddall, Secretary - Heidi Lauger. Re-elected Directors are: Steve Bowen, David Brooks, Christine Foster, Faith Koch, Sue Larrabee, Phil Miller and Tom Patrick. Welcomed to the Board are new Directors Molly Marietta and Lois Violante. Maggie Steyn continues in the position of Trustee liaison to the Board.

Stepping down from Board service is Jessica Straub. We would like to thank Jessica for her considerable contributions to Friends' activities. She has chaired the Book Sale for many occasions, continuing to grow its popularity and was also in charge of Membership. Thank you for all of the time and effort you donated to our library's fund-raising activities.

Highlights of 2014

2014 was another busy one for the Friends. We added a new fund-raiser to the calendar "Bowling for Books". In addition to our regular Spring and Fall Book Sales and Desserts in the Stacks events, we also had stalls at the Start of Summer Street Dance, the Community picnic, a 'Concert in the Park' evening, the Folk Art and Music Festival and 'Christmas in the Village'.

With your help, the funds we raised from these events increased by some 40% and our membership grew by 12%.

Our new Board member Molly Marietta also designed a new logo for us featuring a graphical presentation of the Red Brick School, which we are pleased to be able to introduce on the banner of this newsletter.

Christmas in the Village

This year, the Friends took part in the Youngstown celebration "Christmas in the Village" held on December 13th in the Village Gym. We sold hot chocolate and coffee as well as an appetizing selection of cookies. 'Friends of the Youngstown Library' coffee mugs and tote bags were also offered for sale. Thank you to everyone for visiting our table.



Photo courtesy of Wayne Peters

With your help, the Friends grossed over \$320. All profits will go to the library.

Seen here, Friends Faith Koch, Lynn Funk, Phil Miller and Maggie Steyn help some young shoppers choose cookies.



Bandana's once again wins the Ball Game for the Library!

On Super Bowl Sunday, our generous friends and owners of Bandana's - Melissa and Rob Kudel - hosted their 2nd Annual Chili Cookoff to raise funds for the library. For \$5, attendees sampled a variety of chili-dishes and voted on the most popular. A full bar of patrons eagerly tasted and compared notes. Additionally, 50/50 tickets were sold, the prize being a Bandana's gift certificate, generously donated by the owners.

Thank you Melissa and Rob and to their staff Jill, Michelle, Megan, Nicole and Katelyn and to everyone who supported this pre-game event. Proceeds of \$430 were donated to the library.

SWAT Volunteers help with Friends' mailings

We are very dependent upon the help of volunteers willing to step forward and helping us with the task of preparing mailings.

Such volunteers met on September 26th and November 18th for the mailing of the Library Fund Drive letter.

Steve Bowen, Jean Bertolino, Joan Broderick, Susanne Bull, Hilda Danilowicz, Beverly Feldhousen, Fred Feldhousen, Lynn Funk, Phyllis Hastings, Bev Jasinski, Marion Johansson, and Joan Spira helped on September 26th. On November 18th, Steve Bowen, Lynn Funk, Marge McCollum, Mary Mielke, Annie O'Connor, Margo Owen, Trudy Sanderson, Mary Wieland, and Shirley Zastro helped with the reminder letter mailing.

Did you know that for our 'big' mailings, such as the Annual Fund Drive in September and the Membership Drive in March, volunteers fold, stuff and label approximately 2,700 letters for mailing to residents within the 14174 zip code?

Fall Book Sale

The Fall Book Sale was once again a huge success. In particular, the children's event featuring Clifford the Big Red Dog was a big hit with the over 30 children stopping by on Saturday morning.

Thank you Alicia Hughes, the library page for volunteering as Clifford and to Friends Board member Heidi Lauger for providing stories and crafts for the

By the end of the sale, the takings were \$1,774 in sales of books and 50/50 tickets - all proceeds for the library. We are also very happy to report that at the conclusion of the sale, a selection of children's books which remained, was taken to the 'Family & Children's Service of Niagara' in Niagara Falls. The books will be placed at the various programs the organization supports.

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2014 Annual Fund Drive

Thank You to everyone who contribute to the Library's 2014 Fund Drive. With your generous donations, \$13,182 was raised for the Library.

Vincent & Audrey Agnello Sue Allen Mr & Mrs Burtram Anderson Dr. & Mrs J. C. Andres Glenn Arthurs Arthur Askins Allan & Mary Ellen Aureli John Aversa Jeff & Gloria Baker Mr. & Mrs. Melvin C. Baker John & Laurie Battaglia Mr. & Mrs. Nelson Beard Dan & Louise Bednarski Richard W. Belin Janeanne W. Bernstein Oren Berwaldt Thomas & Marie Bindeman Michael Bobick Roberta & Renton Bond Stephen & Maureen Bowen Jerome & Anne Brett Joan & William Broderick Janet R. Brooks Marty Brownsey Kenneth Bryan Gordon Burnham Donald & Nancy Burns Marion Calandrelli Carol & Bernie Carreno Suzanne Cassick Mary Jo Cecconi Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Cecconi Vincent Cerrone William Choboy Cheri Clark Patricia & John Clark Paul and Charlotte Clark Robert & Winnie Clark Susan Clark Kay & John Collard John & Sue Collyer Joseph & Mary Colosi Robert & Kathy Costanzo Nicholas Cristiano William & Elizabeth Cummings Hilda Danilowicz Ron & Nancy D'Arcangelo Deborah Dee Helen DelSignore Joan & Ralph DeVantier Raymond & Suzanne Dietz Michael & Darlene Dinino David & Caryl Dobson Michelle D'Souza Dennis & Gretchen Duling Claire Engle Doreen Enman Rod Fairbank Fred & Beverly Feldhousen Peter & Andrea Ferin

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Annual Library Association Meeting

The Youngstown Free Library Annual Association Meeting was held on Monday January 26th, 2015. Reviews of the 2014 year were presented by the President Diana Newton, the Library Director Jan Gilgore and Friends' President Charlotte Clark. The Financial Report was given by Joan Spira. New Trustees elected were: Jan Mathews, Michelle Vanstrom and Mary Wieland.

Trustees stepping down upon completion of their term were Murray Roland and Linda White. Thank you for your service to the library.

At the Board Meeting which followed, the following officers were elected:

President: Rita Rolfe

Vice-President: Darcy Tower-Paeplow

Treasurer: Joan Spira

Corresponding Secretary: Diana Newton Recording Secretary: Maggie Steyn



Please save the date

We are looking forward to staging our second "Bowling for Books" event at the Lewiston Event Center. It will be held on Saturday March 7th at 2 thru 5 p.m. and everyone is welcome. Please bring all the family out to this fun afternoon. The cost for a family of 2 adults, and 2 children 13 and over will be \$50 and

this includes: two games, shoes, pizza, wings, soda, and assorted vegetables. Please look out for our fliers for further information.

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- Now sit back and enjoy!





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Membership Renewal

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Library Hours Monday to Thursday

1:30pm to 8:30pm **Friday and Saturday**

10:00am to 2:00pm

Town of Porter Pre-School Story Hour Tuesdays

9:30am to 10:30am

or

11:00am to 12 Noon Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for children ages 2 1/2 to 5

Lewiston-Porter Builders Club Story Hour Saturdays

11:00am to 12 Noon

Adult Book Discussion

2nd Wednesday of each month
at 7:00pm

2015 Friends of the Library Board of Directors

Charlotte Clark, President

Lynn Funk, Vice-President Heidi Lauger, Secretary

Bill Siddall, Treasurer

Steve Bowen

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