FRIENDS

OF THE

YOUNGSTOWN FREE LIBRARY QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

SAVE THE DATES! 2014 Events

Desserts in the Stacks

Fri., April 25, 6-8 pm At the Library

Spring Book Sale

Thu.-Sat., May 1-3 Village Center Gym

Bandana's Fundraiser

Monday, May 19 Visit for lunch or dinner

Summer Reading Program

End of June through middle of August

Fall Book Sale

Thu.-Sat., November 6-8 Village Center Gym

Friends of the Library Board Meetings

3rd Wednesday of the month (except July and August) 7 pm, Library Meeting Room

Library Board of Trustees Regular Meetings

Monday May 19, July 28, Sept. 22 & Nov. 24 7 pm, Library Meeting Room **Work Sessions**

4th Monday in Apr., Jun., Oct. at 7 pm, Library Meeting Room

UPCOMING EVENTS

It's a busy season for the Friends! After the successful 'Bowling for Books' event at the Lewiston Event Center, we are looking forward to hosting the 5th 'Dessert and Wine in the Stacks' event and the always-popular Book Sale.

Dessert and Wine in the Stacks

On **Friday, April 25th** from **6pm to 8pm**, please stop by the library and sample some tasty dessert- and appetizer-treats baked by the Friends, Trustees and staff of the library and enjoy a glass of wine while browsing amongst the stacks and meeting fellow library-users. Tickets may purchased in advance from the library - \$8 for 10, or on the night at \$10 for 10.



Spring Book Sale

Our twice-yearly book sale kicks off the month of May.

Members' Night is Thursday evening, May 1st from 5 pm to 8 pm. Please stop in at the Village Center Gym to get a first look at the books we have for sale. Do you need a different gardening book for the Spring, or a new murder-mystery to read as you watch your garden burst into bloom? You will certainly find something to read here amongst the thousands of used books. If you are NOT a member of the Friends yet or need to renew your membership for the year, you may join or renew at the door.

On **Friday May 2nd**, doors are open to the public from **9:30** am to **6:30 pm** and on **Saturday**, **May 3rd**, from **9:30 am to 3:30 pm**. The Bag Sale begins at **1:30 pm** on **Saturday**, but don't wait till then to get the best selection.

Make a BFF ("Best Friend Forever") (Our New Membership Campaign Slogan!)

Friends Board President Charlotte Clark is excited to kick off this year's membership drive with a brand new theme.

Charlotte writes: 'Most of you have likely heard the term "BFF" used by teenagers and the social-media savvy. Now, your Friends group is embracing the acronym as their slogan: "Best Friend Forever!" It seems like a perfect fit since we are "Friends" and we work hard to make lasting relationships with our members!

Starting in April, we launched a new membership campaign aimed at gaining awareness and adding new members to our organization. An important driver behind these efforts is the fact that, for some reason, our membership has dipped over the past five years.

As a member yourself, you already understand the value of membership as it impacts our library's presence and success in our community. (And if you have not yet responded to the 2014 membership drive, please fill out the form on the back of the newsletter!) If you feel comfortable about it, please talk about membership with your family and friends in town.

We hope you'll notice the "BFF" posters hanging around town, the table-tent-cards in local restaurants, and the bookmarks handed out at the library. And we hope the campaign is already making you feel excited about being a Friend!

Book Sale Membership Raffle Reminder

....and don't forget that if you renew your membership by '7pm at the Book Sale's Members' Night on Thursday, May 1st, you are automatically entered in a raffle for one of 10 gift cards worth \$20 to Youngstown area businesses.

So, if you haven't yet done so, hurry up and renew! The renewal form on the back page of this newsletter can be torn off and mailed to the library at 240 Lockport Street or you can drop it off at the library during opening hours and become the library's newest BFF!



Bandana's Is a Friend to the Friends - Yet Again!

Melissa and Rob Kudal of Bandana's Bar & Grill have always been very supportive of our library, and continue to be so by holding another fundraiser for us. On Monday, May 19th, 10% of all dining proceeds from both lunch and dinner will be donated to the library.

Sit out on the patio (weather permitting!) and enjoy lunch or a dinnerspecial. (FYI - Monday is 'Mac and Cheese' night!) We'll see you there!

The previous fundraiser hosted by Bandana's was the Chili Cook-Off on Super Bowl Sunday. The photo below on the left shows Melissa Kudal supervising the chili displays as Kathy and Sean Rogers look on. On the right, Trustee Richard Powell and his wife Janice, Jessica Jakubowski - a Bandana's staff member - together with Kathy Gombert and Friends Director Faith Koch are trying out the spicy samplings.







Friends Board President Charlotte Clark, at the left, buys her tickets for the chilitasting from Bandana's staff-member and Friends' liaison Megan Gombert.

Congratulations to the Streb Family

Friends Director Jessica Streb has been busy recently on non-library matters. Newborn baby Charles arrived safely on February 17th, much to the delight of Sarah and Sam, his older siblings.

We know Charles will be enrolling soon in the "1000 Books Before Kindergarten" program at the library!

Our best wishes go out to Jessica and her family!

'Bowling for Books' Report - March 29th, 2014

A 'Bowling for Books' family event was held on Saturday, March 29th at the Lewiston Event Center on Cayuga Street. This new event was a big success for the Friends: some 88 adults and children enjoyed the bowling as well as pizza and wings. Five attendees were generous enough to become Friends of the Youngstown Library on the spot.

A big "Thank You" goes out to Kim Cudmore at the Event Center, Angelo Sarkees, who organized the tournament, as well as Friends' Directors Lynn Funk, Chris Foster, Tom Patrick, Faith Koch and Philip Miller.







New Fiction Books

Death Comes Quickly by Susan Albert

Destroyer Angel by Nevada Barr City of Darkness and Light by Rhys Bowen

Stone Cold by C. J. Box
The Chance by Robyn Carr
Steeped in Evil by Laura Childs
Missing You by Harlen Coben
Black Horizon by James
Grippando

The Player by Brad Parks

NYPD Red by James Patterson

The Divorce Papers by Susan

Rieger

Concealed in Death by J. D. Robb



New Non-Fiction Books

You Can Date Boys When You're Forty by Dave Barry

Strength for the Sandwich Generation by Kristine Bertini

Apples of North America by Patience Bloom

Tales from the Buffalo Bills Sideline by Joe Delamiellure

Glitter and Glue by Kelly Corrigan
The Can it Be Gluten Free Cookbook
How Shark Tank- Jump Start Your
Business by Michael Dudell

The Know Maintenance Perennial Garden

Maritime Tales of Lake Ontario by Gateley

Seven Flowers and How They Shaped the World by Jennifer Potter

A Breast Cancer Alphabet by Madhulika Sikka

You Must Remember This by Robert Wagner

Mary Grace Luff-Foote

The Board of Trustees and everyone in the Youngstown area is mourning the passing of Mary Grace Luff-Foote who passed away on February 8th, 2014.

Mary Grace was Vice President of the Board of Trustees, a long-term Friend and extremely active in all community activities.

One of her last projects was building the autumn scarecrow which sat outside the library last October with the banner "Lost in a Good Book".

We will miss her participation in all activities, her enthusiasm and her creative talents.

Don't forget to check out these sites when you go to: youngstownfreelibrary.org or nioga.org



Browse magazines on line - for FREE!

Download books for reading or listening - for FREE!





Listen to and download music on line - for FREE!

Library Hours Monday thru Thursday

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

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Town of Porter Pre-School Story Hour Tuesdays

9:30 am - 10:30 am

or

11:00 am until Noon Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for children ages 2.5 to 5

Lewiston-Porter Builders Club Story Hour Saturdays

11:00 am until Noon May 17 - Summer Fun

Adult Book Discussion

7 pm 2nd Wednesday of each month

2014 Friends of the Library Board of Directors

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Your membership is important! It helps us raise money for OUR library. If you haven't yet renewed, please consider doing so today and become our BFF!

Thank you!

Yes, I want to be a BFF - please renew my membership!

___\$5 Individual ___\$10 Family ___\$25 Supporting

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Cut out and drop off this form at the library, or mail to:
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