



Friends of the Youngstown Free Library Quarterly Newsletter

SAVE THE DATES! 2017 Events

Computer Workshop

March 1st
Library Meeting Room
'Flash Drives & their
management'
(see page 5)

Desserts in the Stacks

Fri, April 7, 6-8 p.m.
At the Library

Spring Book Sale

Thurs, Fri & Sat,
April 27, 28 & 29
Village Center Gym

Town of Porter Pre-School Story Hour Tuesdays

9:30 am - 10:30 am or
11:00 am - Noon

Stories, music and
crafts for children ages
2 ½ to 5

Lewiston-Porter Builders Club Story Hour

Once a month on
Saturdays
11:00 am - Noon

LEGO Club

4th Saturday every month
11:00 am - Noon
Kindergarten & older

FRIENDS' ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Enclosed with this Newsletter, you will find our yearly letter, requesting that you once again demonstrate your commitment to the Friends of the Youngstown Free Library by becoming a Member for 2017. Last year, as a Friend, we hope you came to Members' Night (the Thursday) of the Spring and Fall Book Sales, attended one or more of the several fun Fund-Raising events sponsored by the Friends and enjoyed receiving these Newsletters. Membership continues to be only \$5 for an individual, \$10 for the family or \$25 for a supporting member - equivalent to just a few cups of coffee and a couple of movie downloads - quite a bargain for a whole year!

We hope you will renew your Friends membership for 2017 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 27, 2017. (You don't need to be there to win.)

When completing the form, please let us know if you would like to volunteer at Friends' activities. Also make sure you have included your email address so we can keep you posted about upcoming events.

The form can be mailed, or dropped off at the library next time you are there.

If you have a friend or neighbor who doesn't use the library, now is an ideal time to show them this newsletter and encourage them to join too.



Thank you for your support

Friends' Annual Meeting Report - January 18th, 2017

The Friends' Board of Directors held their annual meeting on January 18th and elected new officers and directors to a three-year term.

Officers elected to the 2017 Board are: President - Heidi Lauger, Vice-President - Tanya Fura, Secretary - Jan Howard, Treasurer - Bill Siddall. Re-elected Directors are: Mary Armstrong, Steve Bowen, Steve Frank, Sue Larrabee, Molly Marietta and Tom Patrick. Welcomed to the Board are new Directors Annie O'Connor, Julie Grana and Wendy McCarley, as well as Bill Siddall, who is returning after a one-year hiatus. Maggie Steyn continues in the position of Trustee liaison to the Board.

Leaving the Board were Lynn Funk, Faith Koch and Phil Miller. The contributions made by these Board members to the Friends' group over the years are unparalleled. Lynn ran SWAT for many years and stepped up to volunteer and organize many of the Friends' events. Faith and Phil took over and ran the Book Sales, making new signage, reorganizing the categories and introducing the Melloni shopping cart for bulk purchases! All three Board members were always keen and ready to help with every event the Friends ran.

Heidi thanked all departing Board members for their valuable contributions.

Fundraisers in 2016

Last year, the Friends' fundraisers were numerous and volunteers were kept extremely busy:

Feb 2	Bandana's Super Bowl Chili Cook Off
April 15	Desserts in the Stack
April 28, 29, 30	Spring Book Sale
May 23	Bandana's Lunch & Dinner Fundraiser
June 23	Start of Summer Street Dance - water sale
Aug 5	Concert in the Park - bake sale
Oct 1	Art & Music Festival - cookie & water sale
Nov 3, 4, 5	Fall Book Sale
Dec 10	Christmas in the Village - hot chocolate & cookie sale

The income from these fundraising events together with Membership dues, have been used to provide additional supplies and equipment for the Library.

Again, thank YOU for your support.

SWAT Volunteers

Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped with the Library Fund Drive mailing on September 20th of last year. Together they sorted, folded, stuffed, labelled and sealed over 1,400 pieces of mail. SWAT members were: Mary Armstrong, Steve Bowen, Joan Broderick, Mary Ecker, Beverly Feldhousen, Lynn Funk, Julie Grana, Peggy Hanson, Irene Krzyscin, Annie O'Connor, Rose Siegwarth, and Mary Wieland.

FALL 2016 BOOK SALE REPORT



The Fall Book Sale last November was once again a huge success. Members' night on Thursday saw heavy traffic and many attendees took the opportunity to renew their membership or join the Friends for the first time. Lots of children turned up with their parents to visit and to do crafts and read stories. Friends Faith Koch and Phil Miller organized this Fund Raiser, which raised over \$2,100. The 50/50 draw was won by our own Jan Gilgore.

Please save the date for the Spring Book Sale, coming up on April 27-29.

Waiting for the doors to open!

Christmas in the Village

On December 10, 2016, the Friends participated in this Annual Holiday event along with vendors, musical performers and visiting 'Seasonal Characters' in the Red Brick School Gym. They sold hot beverages: coffee, a variety of teas, and hot chocolate and home-baked cookies, as well as water - all for just \$1.00 each item.

Several Board members baked and others set-up and served eager customers throughout the day.

Thank you Molly Marietta for chairing this event.

Over \$200 was raised for the Library.

Bandana's Bar outshines Patriots in Super Chili Bowl 51!

MVPs Melissa & Rob Kudel, the owners of Bandana's and their staff once again hosted the now-famous Super Bowl Sunday 'Chili Cook Off'. A record fourteen delicious pots of different chilis were available for sampling. For \$5, patrons tasted and then voted for their favorite.

1st Place: Mary Armstrong, Pepperoni and Pizza Chili

(Note that Mary is our own Mary Armstrong from the Friends Board)

2nd : Mark Salvatore, Buffalo Chicken Chili

3rd: Kelly Carter, Park Verde Chili

Winner of 50/50 was Yogi (Bob) Yager and he generously donated all his winnings back to the Friends of the Library.



At the end of the afternoon, a massive \$582 had been raised for the Library.

Thank you Rob & Melissa together with Megan Salvatore for being such good Friends of the Library and thank you to Tom Patrick of the Friends for his organization and to everyone who supported the event.

2016 Annual Fund Drive

Thank you to all the donors listed below together with those who wished to remain anonymous. With your generous donations, \$14,277 was raised for the Library.

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Monica & John Sweeney
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Mary & Ken Wieland
Dawn & Burton Williams
Mr & Mrs K Winkworth
Arthur & Dolores Winslow
Jerald & Joan Wolfgang
Paulette & Robert Wright
Robert & Lynn Yarger
Lynn Zanardi
Shirley Zastrow
Kathryn Zasucha

Board of Trustees Annual Meeting - January 23rd 2017

The Youngstown Free Library Annual Association Meeting was held on January 23rd, 2017. Reviews of the 2016 year were presented by the President Rita Rolfe, Library Director Jan Gilgore, Treasurer Maggie Steyn and Friends' President Heidi Lauger.

The following slate of nominees was presented to the Board:

Heather Yanofsky Crumlish.... Board of Trustees first 3-year term 2017-2020

Karran Swayze.....Board of Trustees first 3-year term 2017-2020

Maggie Steyn.....Renewal of second 3-year term 2017-2020

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

President: Rita Rolfe

Vice-President: Diana Newton

Treasurer: Maggie Steyn

Recording Secretary: Paul Inskeep

Corresponding Secretary: Jan Mathews

Marge McCollum

The Friends of the Library and the Village of Youngstown mourned the passing of Marge McCollum in October 2016. Marge was well-known in the Village; she had been the Village's Tax Collector then Town Assessor for many years, as well as Past President of both the Friends of the Library and the Garden Club. In 2015, she was awarded the Village of Youngstown Citizen of the Year and in December 2016, the Friends Board awarded her the "Mary Andrus Outstanding Service Award" for her commitment to 'all things Library'.

Her familiar face is missed around the Village and at the Library.

Computer Workshop

NIOGA is running the following workshop on Wednesday, March 1st at 10:00am in the Library Meeting Room. Please sign up at the library to register (or call Jan at the Library - 745-3555).

"Flash Drives - File Management & Organization"

(Please bring your own flash drive)

Library Hours for 2017

Don't forget the Library is now open for your convenience at 10:00am on Thursday mornings. Stop by and enjoy a complimentary cup of coffee in the magazine room, while you catch up with your favorite periodical or today's newspaper.

**Special Winter
Break LEGO Club
Marathon**

February 21, 22, 23
2:00pm - 3:00pm

Please save these
dates to your calendar



Ruby Carey Scholarship Applications now Available

The Youngstown Free Library is accepting applications for the Ruby Carey Memorial Scholarship. The \$500 scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating Lewiston-Porter student who lives in the 14174 zip code and has a current library card in good standing. The applicant must be accepted to an accredited community college, vocational school, college or university.

Applications may be obtained at the Lewiston-Porter High School Guidance Office or the Youngstown Free Library (after February 27th).

**FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM JAN GILGORE
DIRECTOR, YOUNGSTOWN FREE LIBRARY**

Dear Library Patrons and Friends;

As many of you may have heard already, I will be retiring in April after 25 years at the Youngstown Free Library.

I will miss the people of Youngstown who I have gotten to know and think of many of you as friends.

I hope that in the future you will show my replacement the same kindness, courtesy and support you have shown me over the years.

Please remember one of the best ways to support your library is to use it.

You can still check out books, DVDs, music on CDs, books on cd, playaways, puppets and dolls from the Library. Also from the catalog, you can download audio or online books to your computer, have Tumblebooks read your child a story, read a magazine through Zinio, watch a movie, read or listen to a book, watch a TV show or listen to music through Hoopla. By going online, you can get information from the extensive number of research databases available through our Library services.

I hope many of you will stop by and say hello/goodbye before April 20th.

Thank you

Jan



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Library Hours

Monday to Wednesday

1:30pm to 8:30pm

Thursday

10:00am to 8:30pm

Friday and Saturday

10:00am to 2:00pm

Library Contact Information

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2017 Board of Trustees of the Library

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Mary Wieland

Heather Yanofsky Crumlish

Trustee Board Meetings

7 pm, 4th Monday of Every Month

Members of the Public are welcome to attend

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Molly Marietta

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Maggie Steyn, Liaison

Friends Board Meetings

7 pm, 3rd Wednesday of Every Month

Friends eMail: FOYLLBoard@gmail.com