Don't Miss Books and Brunch
Saturday, March 15, 10:00-12:00
Vista at Van Patten Golf Club

Join area book groups and lovers of books for brunch and a panel discussion about embracing change and setting seeds of change into motion to create the life we want to lead, even when it's not evident at the time. $20.00 includes brunch, non-alcoholic beverages, and gratuity. Make checks payable to the Friends of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library. Mail your check to FOL, 475 Moe Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065. Please write on the memo line, Books and Brunch. Your check is your registration.

Our panelists include local teacher and TTOB Steering Committee member, Ann Marie Rizzo; Town of Clifton Park councilwoman and the newest member of the TTOB Steering Committee, Amy Standaert; Business Services Specialist at New York State Office of Children and Family Services and FOL Board member, Andres Harnecker; and local entrepreneur and owner of "Make it Fit," Melissa Grattan.

As you know, our TTOB Book of the year is *The Bucolic Plague* by Josh Kilmer-Purcell, one of The Beekman Boys. A major theme the book deals with is change in one's life, particularly career change. All of our panelists have experienced the challenges of change and their stories will give motivation and hope to others who are experiencing similar challenges. Library Assistant Director, Kathy Adam, will moderate the panel discussion.

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If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need.

*Marcus Tullius Cicero*
Eight out of ten members of “Bound by Books” attended the Fabulous Beekman Boys event at our wonderful library on January 11. From left to right, Linda Maher, Dori Loughran, Pamela Brancato, Claudia Carroll, the Beekmen Boys, (Josh and Brent), Kathy Maggiacomo, Lisa Albagli, Mary Fran Verostek and Karen Maher.

Our group has been meeting once a month for approximately 15 years . . . the newest member joined eight years ago. We rotate houses and select 10 books to read and discuss each year. We all have children ranging from elementary school age to college graduates. All ten of us have been married 20 or more years to our first/only husband, which we often joke must be some unusual statistic based on current divorce rates and how many of us there are in the group.

Over the years we have chosen books different ways. At one time, the hostess for the month selected the book. We also tried choosing books by genre. Currently, we each “book talk” three books we like followed by a vote. That way, the hostess has a book she likes and the group has some input as well. We also try to choose books that have discussion questions or are at least books that will spark good discussions. Our January pick was the same as this year's Two Towns One Book pick, so naturally we were thrilled to meet the author and his partner at the wonderful Friends of the Library event.
About the Junior Friends of the Library

Emily Acker

The Junior Friends is a group dedicated to supporting the library and its programs by developing youth involvement and raising funds by providing youth volunteer opportunities. We range from 8th graders to 12th graders and meet at the library once a month starting in September and ending in June.

We help out with various Friends of the Library events, but we also organize our own events. This year we have been very busy! We have organized a children’s snowflake decorating program. Some of the beautiful snowflakes that were created are on display in the library. An outreach program with Cheryl’s Lodge is another one of our projects in progress. We are also sponsoring a Junior Friends Movie Night. You can read about it below. It is appropriate for children and families!

Our website is now up and running, so check it out for more information on who the Junior Friends are and what we have been up to this year.

Membership forms can also be found on our website. We are always accepting new members and love to have more helping hands. We are off to a good start this year and are looking forward to the rest of the year, which will be filled with new events and programs!

Junior Friends Movie Night

Emily Acker

Jump into spring with the Junior Friend’s of the Library movie night featuring The BEE movie! This is a family comedy film, great for all ages. It is humorous, sweet, and suspenseful all while teaching the important lesson of the huge impact one small thing can have. Get excited for spring, try some tasty treats, and watch The BEE movie on Saturday, April 26th at 6:00 p.m. in the library.

It is Sure to Bee a Buzz!

Kids Read, Too!

Carol Davis

The Kids Read, Too committee of the Two Towns- One Book program had a successful table at the Clifton Park Winterfest celebration at Clifton Country Mall. We had many families stop by to learn about our project while picking up brochures filled with activities surrounding our three kids book choices.

Children were able to color animal pictures, vote for their favorite animal and donate to our TTOB Read to Feed initiative. Donations will go to The Heifer International Project. Our goal is to raise awareness and to adopt a farm animal to help create change regarding hunger and poverty in the U.S. There will be opportunities to make donations at some of our events. For more information, visit www.heifer.org.

The Kids Read, Too committee will be at Shensational on March 22, and will have a "What's on Your Plate?" event, April 24 at Tesago/Skano cafetorium from 6-7. We will have fun stations for the kids including coloring, crafts, trying new foods, voting for a favorite farm animal, and learning about our school lunches from the food service staff.

JFOL Keepsake Snowflakes!
The Fabulous Beekman Boys
Photos by Ed Burke, The Saratogian
Posted January 11, 2014

The Fabulous Beekman Boys, Brent Ridge and Josh Kilmer-Purcell, wowed the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library audience when they appeared at the Two Towns-One Book author event on February 11th. If you missed the event, there are still more events planned focused on themes from our book of the year, *The Bucolic Plague: How Two Manhattanites Became Gentlemen Farmers*. Check out TTOB upcoming events on page 6.

**Upcoming FOL Events (in addition to TTOB)**

- March 7  Scholarship Applications Deadline
- March 19  Annual Meeting
- May 14    Volunteer Recognition/Meet and Greet Event
- May 17    Bus Trip to Hyde Park & Culinary Institute of America
- May 20    Conversations About Dementia Workshop
- April 22  Celebrate Arbor Day week with Fred “The Tree Man” Breglia, Executive Director of the renowned Landis Arboretum in Esperance
- May 30, 31 Spring Used Book Sale
  & June 1    Spring Used Book Sale Bag Day Sale
- June 7    Plant and Garden Goodie Swap
The Two Towns-One Book kick-off event for The Bucolic Plague: How Two Manhattanites Became Gentleman Farmers: An Unconventional Memoir, the community read selection for 2014, was held on January 11th featuring The Fabulous Beekman Boys. Josh Kilmer-Purcell (the author) and Brent Ridge appeared to an overflowing crowd. Josh started by reading chapter one of the book which was hilarious. The next 80 minutes were devoted to questions from the audience and answers. The boys were charming, funny, and insightful.

They regaled the audience with comments about their life and careers in New York City, finding and buying the Beekman mansion and farm, becoming gentleman farmers and then real farmers, financing the farm after they lost their jobs, being contestants on and winning The Amazing Race, their reality TV show, living in Sharon Springs and their life now. After the presentation, Josh and Brent graciously stayed to sign books and poise for photos. The Open Door Book Store offered books for purchase and donated a portion of their sales that day to FOL.

The Kids Read, Too! program was present with a table in the hallway. They promoted the junior companion books and their goal of voting for an animal to donate to a needy family through Heifer International. People were generous in their donations and enough funds were collected to purchase one animal. Kids Read, Too will continue to collect votes and funds at upcoming TTOB events so more animals can be donated. They also offer coloring activities related to animals, food and farming to children.

What Should I Read Next?

Having trouble deciding what book to read next? Would you love a way to easily keep a list of your favorite books and then, based on what you like to read, have a way to quickly get suggestions on what books you might find interesting by the same author, by a similar genre, by a similar topic? Visit www.whatshouldireadnext.com/. Once there, you simply type in the title of a book you liked in the dialogue box. The site will analyze their huge database of real readers’ favorite books to provide book recommendations and suggestions for what to read next. The site will ask you to register with your e-mail address and give a password.

Another interesting site that does some of the same things is www.goodreads.com. Goodreads is a "social cataloging" website founded in December 2006 and launched in January 2007 by Otis Chandler, a software engineer and entrepreneur, and Elizabeth Chandler. The website allows individuals to freely search Goodreads’ extensive user-populated database of books, annotations, and reviews. Users can sign up and register books to generate library catalogs and reading lists. They can also create their own groups of book suggestions and discussions.
Two Towns-One Book Upcoming Programs
Celebrating our Book of the Year
The Bucolic Plague: How Two Manhattanites Became Gentlemen Farmers

Discussion of this Year’s Book of Choice with TTOB Librarian, Rhona Koretsky
CPH Public Library, Tuesday, March 11, 7 PM

Books & Brunch
Vista at the Van Patten Golf Course
Seeds of Change Inspired by The Bucolic Plague
Join area book groups and lovers of books for brunch and a panel discussion about embracing change and setting seeds of change into motion to create the life we want to lead even when it’s not evident at the time. Dr. Tim Olsen, Director of the Union College Jazz Ensemble, will provide delightful music during brunch. $20.00 includes brunch, non-alcoholic beverages, and gratuity. Make checks payable to the Friends of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library. Mail your check to FOL, 475 Moe Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065. Write on your check Books and Brunch. Our receipt of your check is your reservation.
Saturday, March 15, 10 AM - Noon

Shensational
Shenendehowa Campus
Shen’s Diversity Committee’s global expo encourages an understanding of international cultures while providing entertainment and education. Participate in our goal to donate a farm animal to help stamp out hunger. Make fun artwork!
Saturday, March 22, 10 - 2 PM

Try Something New! For Grades 1 - 5
Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library
Stories, new foods to try, and an activity in keeping with themes of The Bucolic Plague. Required registration begins March 20.
Thursday, March 27, 4 - 5 PM

Then Join Us for these Spring TTOB Events!

New Experiences! For Ages 4 - 6
Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library
Stories and songs, and a reading of “Gregory, the Terrible Eater,” as well as a craft. Drop in. Registration not required.
Tuesday, April 8, 10:15 - 11 AM and also Tuesday, April 8, 1:15 - 2:00 PM

What’s On Your Plate!
Skano – Tesago Cafetorum
This food event will include different stations with activities to engage children while families sample foods that are part of the school lunch program. Try a new food and vote for a farm animal to donate to help stamp out poverty.
Thursday, April 24, 6 - 7 PM

Sharon Springs - Past, Present & Future
Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library
A spirited presentation exploring this nearby historic village. Doug Plummer (Mayor of Sharon Springs), co-owner and co-renovator of The American Hotel (built in 1847 and prominently mentioned in The Bucolic Plague), will explore the history of the village and what’s being done to revive the once extremely popular summer destination widely known for its therapeutic mineral baths. Participating with Doug is Jean Bakkom, past President of the Sharon Springs Historical Society, a prominent community leader, veteran and to quote Doug “an all-around amazing person.”
Saturday, May 10, 2 - 4 PM
Calling All FOL Members
2014 FOL Annual Meeting
Wednesday, March 19, 6:30pm

Do you want to know more about the Friends of the Library? Are you interested in getting involved? The Friends will be holding their Annual Meeting for 2013 on Wednesday, March 19th at 6:30 pm in Program Room A. All patrons and FOL members are invited and encouraged to attend.

The Annual Meeting will include:

- The Annual Report available for review.
- The Audit Report presented by Betty Treffilletti.
- A vote to approve revisions to the by-laws.
- Light refreshments provided by the Hospitality Committee.

The March monthly Board Meeting will immediately follow at 7:00 pm. All are welcome. We look forward to seeing you!

Volunteer Recognition Event & More
May 14th, Meeting Rooms A & B

Our volunteers are the backbone of our Friends organization. Plans are under way for a special appreciation get together. If you have volunteered for the Friends in any capacity over the last year, you are cordially invited to attend. This is your opportunity to socialize with your fellow volunteers in a relaxed atmosphere. We will reveal our scholarship winners, present the library with our annual donation, announce the Volunteer of the Year, post visual displays about each of our 12 different committees and enjoy some delicious refreshments. Mark your calendar for the evening of May 14th. More details will be announced soon!

Think Spring! Hope to See You at our Spring Events!

Getting Ready for our Friends of the Library
2013 Annual Meeting. Members Are Always Welcome. Won’t You Join Us On March 19th?
Empire Friends Petition for Greater Representation

The Empire Friends Roundtable (EFR) is seeking a change in status from a Roundtable to a Section in NYLA. EFR serves a very specific population within NYLA; individual and organizational Friends of Libraries.

The mission of the Empire Friends is to promote and inspire local Friends groups in libraries of all types for the betterment of New York State’s library community.

Many Friends who join EFR/NYLA do not choose a section because the current choices of sections do not meet the needs of these individuals and organizations. With EFR becoming a section, Friends of Libraries will have a section devoted to their specific needs, interests, and advocacy efforts.

The change in status from Roundtable to Section would give Empire Friends a broader financial base to serve its members, a wider selection of program slots at NYLA’s annual conference, and a seat on NYLA Council to better represent this important population.

Friends of Libraries are essential to the well-being of libraries across the state and nation. As funding sources change and shrink for all types of libraries, Friends of Libraries play an essential role in advocacy, volunteer service, and funding for libraries.

Members of NYLA may sign this petition to show your support for Empire Friends to transition from a Roundtable to a Section in NYLA.

To electronically add your name to the petition - click here. You will be required to log in to the NYLA Online Membership Center in order to e-sign the petition.

Conversations About Dementia

Sponsored by the FOL, CDPHP and the Alzheimer’s Association of Northeastern NY

Tuesday, May 20, 6:00pm
Meeting Rooms A-B

Last year, the Friends of the Library collaborated with the Alzheimer’s Association of Northeastern New York to bring a series of seminars about dementia. We are following up this year, with another helpful program for individuals having to deal with this growing epidemic.

On May 20th, at 6:00pm, Erica Salamida will provide practical tips for dealing with difficult interactions. This workshop will offer tips on how to have honest and caring conversations with family members about going to the doctor, deciding when to stop driving, and making legal and financial plans.

This seminar will be helpful for professional caregivers, caregivers and anyone wanting to learn how best to support individuals with Alzheimer’s disease or a related dementia. Registration is required. To register, visit the Library website (click here) or call 518-371-8622.
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Explore an Interesting Digital Library

An upgraded version of the Leon Levy Dead Sea Scrolls Digital Library was launched February 4 by the Israeli Antiquities Authority. Visitors can view and explore 10,000 newly uploaded images of unprecedented quality.

Did you Know the Friends host 3 large Used Book Sales each Year - their largest fundraiser? Read more.
I was in my office on a Friday afternoon when my wife called to announce that she was buying a dog – a small white puppy of mixed parentage. “We already have a dog”, I protested. Josh, our Golden Retriever, now nearing the end of his time with us, was the best-loved dog we ever had; Elaine always said Josh was my best friend. But after listening to her plead her case, I reluctantly agreed that it was probably a good idea.

All the kids chipped in with their choice of a name for the new one. When our oldest daughter suggested “Winnie”, I quickly concurred while appending “the Pooch,” a one-of-a-kind name I thought - I doubted there could be another “Winnie the Pooch” in all the world.

The time soon came when Josh could no longer chase Winnie around the back yard; cancer had overtaken him; he passed away a few weeks later. We all suffered the loss of our great friend, then turned our attention to the “new baby”.

Winnie soon endeared herself to our family and all the others who knew her. I’d call on her to perform her tricks for visitors: “Sit, shake hands, roll over”. She was so quick that she’d be back up on her feet before the words “roll over” were out of my mouth. She knew that her favorite treat would be her reward.

I’m convinced that Winnie understood every word I said. When we’d go out, I’d tell her (feigning a German accent), “Ve do not vant to see impressions on ze furniture ven ve return; do you understand?” She’d give me one of her looks that said, “Right---right” or “Drop dead, will ya’”.

We soon learned that little Winnie was spending time on our sofa and chairs during our absences. Whenever she heard us returning, she’d be down on the floor, tail wagging, deadpanning her innocence. As she aged, approaching deafness exposed her duplicity; returning from shopping, we’d find her sprawled on one of the easy chairs listlessly staring at the wall.

Her dominant trait was the uncanny ability to fetch a ball. She was up for a game any time of the day or night. Even in complete darkness she would take off on a dead run and quickly return to drop the ball at my feet, raring to go for the next throw. On rare occasions when she couldn’t locate it, she’d persevere - dashing to and fro, tail wagging furiously, nose to the ground until she finally retrieved it. At age 14 Winnie’s health was rapidly deteriorating. We were in Florida and took her to a vet. Diagnosis: a hole in her heart, cancer in her ear, stone deaf and incontinent. We kept her as comfortable as possible with TLC until it became evident that we were keeping her alive for ourselves and that the poor dog had no quality of life and deserved to be put out of her misery.

Neither Elaine nor I could hold back the tears as we watched the vet administer two shots – one to sedate her, another to stop her heart. We drove home in silence, tears rolling down our faces, but knowing in our hearts that both Winnie the Pooch and her buddy, Josh, would be waiting for us at the Rainbow Bridge.

Note: According to popular legend, when pets die, they go to the Rainbow Bridge to wait for their loved ones to arrive. Then they walk across the bridge together into a place of peace and light, never to be separated again.
Calling All Gardeners

Did our book of the year, *The Bucolic Plague*, generate questions about heirloom gardening? Were you surprised to hear that one of the oldest seed houses in America is located right in our own backyard? D. Landreth Seed Company is located in nearby Sharon Springs.

Since 1784, the D. Landreth Seed Company has been providing its customers with one of the most extensive selections of fine lawn and garden seeds in the world. According to their website, their founders introduced into the United States some of the most beloved flowers and vegetables known today including the Zinnia, the white potato, various tomatoes, and their own Bloomsdale Spinach.

If you visit their website, they are advising folks to hang on to the 2013 catalogs since prices aren’t changing. Also, if you are interested in a catalog, the cost is less than $6.00 because they have it printed in the USA rather than sending it out of the country where they could have saved on production costs.

If you love your garden, you will find their website very helpful from gardening tips to information on seeds and bulbs and gardening necessities.

Joe Peck Shares Local Dairy Farm History

By Vicki Pompa

Two Towns-One Book continued the celebration of this year’s book of choice, *The Bucolic Plague by Josh Kilmer-Purcell*, with an engaging presentation by local farmer, humorist, author, and storyteller Joe Peck. On February 15, Joe entertained an appreciative audience at the CPH Library with a tribute to local farm businesses and farming families. He detailed the history of his own family farm, illustrating how the dairy industry has evolved and currently functions. His presentation included technical details of how milk production has been increased by changing the diet of the animals along with the universal reactions of farmers to the dreaded visits from milk inspectors. His tales were laced with humor anchored in the truth: the life of family dairy farming presents many challenges, as well as rewards. It takes people with specialized strengths to take on and maintain the “bucolic life.” It was clear that Joe Peck honors his own wife. Audience members were invited to share their questions, demonstrating a mix of experienced farmers and curious novices. After the presentation, Joe Peck sold and autographed copies of his humorous books. Beautifully and appropriately delicious refreshments were provided by the Friends of the Library.
Plant Swap and Sale
Saturday, June 7, 10:00am on the Library Porch
Cathy Fruhauf

The Friends of the Library Plant Swap and Sale will be a great ending for National Garden Week, which is always the first week of June. This popular event will be held, rain or shine, under the front ‘porch’ of the library. Expand the variety in your garden with our popular exchange. Bring your surplus plant divisions to swap for others or just find some to purchase. Please label your plants with names and basic information: sun/shade preference, flower color, height, and growing tips to guide the new owners’ success. Gardening 'used books' also accepted for swap or sale in the adjoining Board Room.

Arbor Day Event
Co-Sponsored by the Friends and the Garden Club of Clifton Park
Tuesday Evening, April 22, 6:00pm
Cathy Fruhauf

Get ready for Arbor Day by coming to hear our expert Certified Arborist Fred Breglia, Director of the George Landis Arboretum, who will discuss "Promoting Plant Health Through Proper Pruning and Mulching." Learn why most of the mulching seen around trees in our town is not being done correctly, not even by the ‘professional’ landscapers. Weather permitting, this will also include a hands-on demo in the library Reading Garden. Help your shrubs and trees. Celebrate. Refreshments provided by the Friends. Arbor Day is always the last Friday in April, but this is the closest date the library had space available.

Friends of the Library Travel
Rhona Koretzky

By the time you read this, the FOL travel group will have begun a spectacular tour of France (see map below of our tour route). Our library opens the world to you with annual international travel opportunities. Watch for the next announcement of a 2015 adventure.

Explore the Hyde Park area on a day trip to the newly expanded FDR home and library and enjoy a sumptuous three-course lunch at the American Bounty restaurant at the Culinary Institute. Afterwards, weather permitting, there is an option to walk across the Hudson River to rejoin the coach. Cost for this day is $90 per person with FOL members receiving a $5 discount. The date is Saturday May 17 and tickets are selling quickly. Make your reservation by email at busplus1@gmail.com or by calling FOL travel coordinator Rhona at 518-505-1303.
New Website Design
Sheila Morroni, Website and Technology Committee

We’ve got big ideas for how we can better stay in touch! The Technology Team has been testing the many different templates offered through our web platform, Weebly, to choose the one that will offer the greatest options. We want you to hear audio, see videos, submit comments, easily fill out forms, blog, and send us your photos for posting.

The Weebly platform allows us to have multiple sites, so the Friends and the Junior Friends will each have a site. We may have separate sites for different committees and we may have temporary sites that are set up around special events and activities. All of this will be linked from our Home page so navigation will be simple.

www.friendsofcphlibrary.org/ is our new website address. It’s a test site right now; however, check back often and email us your thoughts and ideas at: cphfriends@nycap.rr.com.

A Digitally Literate Person
From Digital Literacy, Libraries, and Public Policy, January 2013

A digitally literate person:
- possesses the variety of skills—cognitive and technical—required to find, understand, evaluate, create, and communicate digital information in a wide variety of formats;
- is able to use diverse technologies appropriately and effectively to search for and retrieve information, interpret search results, and judge the quality of the information retrieved;
- understands the relationships among technology, lifelong learning, personal privacy, and appropriate stewardship of information;
- uses these skills and the appropriate technologies to communicate and collaborate with peers, colleagues, family, and on occasion the general public;
- uses these skills to participate actively in civic society and contribute to a vibrant, informed, and engaged community.

From an Adult Perspective?

"Look at it this way; they don’t crash, they don’t get viruses, and they don’t need screensavers."

The Childhood Dilemma?

"Just think of it as if you’re reading a long text message."
The Friends of the Library is a non-profit organization that supports the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library by sponsoring various services, programs and activities for the Library and local community. We want to hear from you, whether you have an idea about a new way we can be of help to the Library, or you'd like to know more about a trip, or you want to talk about volunteer opportunities.

Contact us by email at: cphfriends@nycap.rr.com.

**Time to Donate Books & Media!**

We’re stocking our shelves again with your welcomed donations and already preparing for the upcoming Spring Used Book Sale.

- **Friday** May 30 (Friends enter early!)
- **Saturday** May 31
- **Sunday** June 1 (Sunday Bag Day: Fill it - $3.00!)

Please continue to donate your gently used books, CDs, DVDs, and audiobooks until 2 weeks before the sale – May 16.

**New to our Used Book Sales?**

**Get Acquainted**

View the UBS webpage, Review our donation guidelines and brochure, and Our Fabulous Price List!

Our Used Book Sales are Community Events! We Always Have Great Selections

**Have You Renewed Your FOL Membership for 2014?**

Join a network of friends who enjoy planning and attending wonderful events and activities for our Library community to enjoy that promote the image of our Library. Plus, you benefit at every membership level!

Your membership helps our organization provide our newsletter, our web sites, the Two Towns–One Book community read, author events, collaborations in support of children, books on tape, movies, carts and baskets for browsing and our Used Book Sales.

You may also wish to volunteer for activities you enjoy! For additional information and a membership application, visit our FOL website.

Membership forms are also available on both of our displays at the library.

**Do You Tweet? So Do We!**

**Like Us on Facebook!**

**Check Out Our Websites!**

The Friends of the Library sponsor two websites – one that highlights the goals and activities of the Friends of the Library organization; and another that’s focused on just one of them – our community read program. Check them out!

**Friends of the Library**

http://www.cliftonpark.org/friendsofcphl

**Two Towns-One Book**

http://www.twotownsonebook.org
**FOL Mission**

The mission of the Friends of the Clifton Park - Halfmoon Public Library, Inc. shall be to act as a bridge to the community by:

1) Increasing public awareness of, focusing attention on, and expanding the use of the Clifton Park - Halfmoon Public Library.

2) Initiating, organizing, promoting, and encouraging cultural and educational activities.

3) Procuring gifts and endowments for the Clifton Park - Halfmoon Public Library, as well as raising funds to support certain Library activities.

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**FOL Outreach Service**

Enjoy Reading? Having difficulty getting to the Library? The Friends of the Library will deliver books to people who are unable to get to the Library. If you are interested in receiving this Outreach service or know anyone who might benefit from this service, please call Lou Ann Stewart at the Library, 371-8622.

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**Are you a Member of the Friends of the Library?**

Joining the Friends of the Library helps to make this newsletter and the many events sponsored by the Friends of the Library possible.

For additional information and a membership application, visit our FOL web pages today!

Membership forms are also available on both of our displays at the library.