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Friends of the Adams County Library System — April 2021

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President's Message

by Sharon Graff

Friends of the Gettysburg Library: Upcoming Book Sales

It's that time of the year to say goodbye to cold weather and snow! Now, we can eagerly anticipate the beauty of spring and summer. The Friends of the Gettysburg Library have been awaiting the warm weather and working diligently over the past few months in preparation for upcoming popular book sale events. The mission of the Friends, a non-profit organization, is to raise money to support our wonderful Adams County Library System with book sales being our biggest fundraisers.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, April 24th, when the Friends will host the "Spring Fever Garage Book Sale" from 8am to 2pm. The types of books being offered will focus on hot topics for spring, including Gardening, Home Improvement, Cooking, Children, Nature, Wildlife, Pets and a "Last Chance" table. All of the books are donated by our generous community members and sold at bargain prices. Everyone is invited to join the fun at the garage in the Gettysburg Library located at 140 Baltimore Street.

This year the Friends will again be participating in the "Gettysburg Annual Outdoor Antique Show" on Saturday, May 15th from 8am to 2pm on the Library's front steps at 140 Baltimore Street. This has been a very successful event in the past for the community, as well as the Library. If you like antique books, this is a fabulous event you won't want to miss. A variety of antique books on many topics will be available. All books are free; however, cash donations are appreciated!

Save the dates for our "Annual Summer Book Sale" scheduled for July 28th through the 31st at the Redding Auction House located at 1085 Table Rock Road in Gettysburg. There will be great deals on approximately 20,000 books. Some areas of interest are: Children's books, U.S. and World History, Biographies, Self-help, Travel, Languages, Art, Music, DVDs, Romance Novels, Mysteries, Science Fiction, and much, much more. If you need some refreshments before and/or after searching for that special book for yourself, family or friends, the Friends of the New Oxford Library will have food trucks there ready and waiting to serve you.

Just a reminder, the Friends Book Store, located on the first floor of the Gettysburg Library is open daily to the public for the purchase of quality used books at super low prices. For regular visitors, you will be surprised at all the changes in the Book Store! Be sure to stop by while you're at the library.

If you are not a member of the Friends, we would be honored to have you join our non-profit group. Membership fees and other donations provide financial support for the Adams County Library System. Volunteers are always needed and welcome! Additional information about Friends is available at book sale events, at the Library and on the Adams County Library System Website. Using the drop down menu, click on "Support the Library" and you will see information about the Friends. You can even join online!

Volunteers: Worth Your Weight in Gold

by Maryann Oelkers, Volunteer Coordinator

The Friends of the Adams County Library System are so lucky to be able to count on a wealth of volunteers who regularly donate their time to the Library. Our volunteers work in the Friends Book Store, the Library garage with sorting and packing donated books, the Gettysburg Annual Antique Show, and the much-anticipated Annual Summer Book Sale in July. We also have an equally dedicated group of people who spend many hours serving on the Board of the Friends with planning and overseeing the above fundraisers, and many more activities.

During the first two months of 2021, our Friends volunteers have donated approximately 450 hours. Our fundraisers over the past 60 years, with the help of the volunteer groups, have helped to raise over a million dollars used to support the Adams County Library System.

So, to all of you who have volunteered in the past, and to those who do so now, a huge “Thank You” for making the Friends organization a success. We encourage anyone who is interested to please join us in this valuable endeavor by contributing volunteer time to the Friends, the Library and to the Gettysburg community.

Watch for an updated report on continuing volunteer hours in the next Newsletter. Let’s have some of those hours be yours!

We look forward to a successful 2021.



Things to See and Do

by Michele DeLacy

Many years ago there was a reading workbook with the title More Fun Things to See and Do. That title reminds me of the new children’s section of the FOL bookstore. A colorful floor mat has been added to encourage sitting reading, and browsing. I am sure many moms, dads, and caregivers will use the mat to focus on shapes for the children. There will be a rotating collection of books on the changing seasons and holidays. Pop-up books are always featured as they are an entryway to the joy of reading and being read to by a caring adult. Books of interest to parents and educators are located on an upper shelf in the children’s section as well. We have so many picture books, alphabet, read to, beginning to read books, and books for the children who are ready to begin an easy chapter book. All of the favorites you might remember are here such as Goodnight Moon and Where the Wild Things Are. There are a few children’s DVDs but not as many as in past years with the increasing popularity of streaming. Please remember that our collection is constantly changing because of the cycle of sales and donations; so buy a book, read it, keep it, or donate it back to the library and the cycle begins all over

again. If things couldn’t have gotten any better we have lowered our prices to make these books available to all.

**Please stop in anytime to see the store and say hello.
Perhaps you will see a puzzle or book to take home for yourself !**

National Library Week 2021

by Laura Goss, Executive Director

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week (NLW) is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and celebrated by libraries of all types across the country each April. This year, NLW will be held April 4 through April 7 and the theme is "Welcome to Your Library." The Adams County Library System's mission is to open gateways for exploration. Your libraries are open at full, pre-pandemic hours for in-person browsing, computer and wifi use and also, 24/7 via our virtual branch www.adamslibrary.org. We welcome all in-person and virtual visitors!

National Library Week is a time to highlight the essential role libraries, librarians and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening communities. The theme, "Welcome to your library," promotes the idea that libraries extend far beyond the four walls of a building and that everyone is welcome to use their services. Whether people visit virtually or in person, libraries are accessible and inclusive places that foster a sense of belonging and community through learning, discovery and exploration.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank all of you, our Friends! Your support through membership benefits the Adams County Library System in many ways. Your participation shows support for libraries, your community, the importance of free, reliable information and your personal love of lifelong learning.

**On behalf of the library staff and Board of Trustees,
we want you to know that we deeply appreciate all our Friends do for us!**

A Note of Appreciation

On March 4th, the Friends of Adams County Library was honored to receive a one-time unrestricted grant from the TWC Fund of the Adams County Community Foundation. This generous donation of \$1825.00 is truly appreciated and will help the Friends with our mission of supporting the Adams County Library System.

Your membership expiration date is in the upper right corner of the mailing address label on this newsletter.

If you didn't get around to renewing your membership yet, please don't forget to send in your membership dues.

NOTE: You now can join or renew on the Adams County Library System website, using your credit card. (Handy if you run out of stamps.) And, if you join at the Lifetime Member level, you never have to remember to renew!

Membership dues are an important part of Friends of the Library revenue, which supports our wonderful library system. Members get to stay in touch with the Friends through the newsletter, and get a 20% discount in the Bookstore!

Thank you for supporting the Friends of the Library!

ONE FOR YOU!

DINE TO DONATE

Please present this to the cashier

And Perkins/Quaker Steak and Lube will donate 15% of your total bill to:
Friends of the New Oxford Library



Coupon Good: Thursday April 29th 2021

Valid only at Perkins Restaurant & Bakery located at:
Gettysburg Perkins, 859 York Road

One coupon per person at participating Perkins Restaurant & bakery locations. Not valid with any other discount or offer. Coupon void if purchased, sold or bartered for cash. Only original coupons accepted. Mutilated, tampered, forged or photocopied coupons are not accepted. Sales tax, if applicable, must be paid by customer.

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Join the Friends of the Adams County Library System

Membership Application/Renewal

Friends of the Library Members receive a 20% Discount at the Friends Store

Because I believe that the Adams County Library System is essential to our communities, I am enclosing my donation to become a member of the Friends in support of the Library.

Please check one:

\$20 Student/Senior Member

\$30 Regular Member

\$300 Lifetime Member

Additional Donation (optional) \$ _____

Total Amount \$ _____

You can join online via credit card by visiting <https://www.adamslibrary.org/friends-adams-county-library-system>

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

Let's be Friends! Keep in touch with us!

Phone: _____ EMAIL: _____

The Friends have many volunteer opportunities! I'd like to Help the Friends!

Staff Book Store Sort Used Books Work Book Sale Fundraising & Special Member Events

I have a special talent that might be helpful. Let us know! _____

I'm interested in serving on the Friends Board, please contact me.

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Mon.-Sat. 9:30 AM-4:30 PM
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