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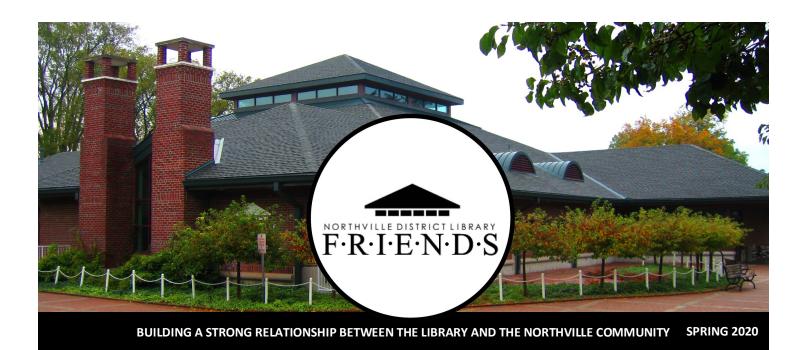
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# May is Membership Renewal Month

Each year we ask our Friends to renew their memberships so that we can continue to fulfill our mission to promote the Library.



Your loyal support allowed us to donate almost \$35,000 to the Library in 2019. Thank you.

The Library invested this money in Summer Reading Programs for all age groups, the Battle of the Books, and enhancements to the Library's equipment and furnishings. We funded projects and programs such as musical performances, speakers and the annual Cider on Sunday--all available to the community at no cost.

Now it's time to renew your membership for 2020. Use the enclosed envelope or pick one up at the Library when it reopens. Share your enthusiasm for the Library by recruiting a new member from among your friends, neighbors and relatives. Each renewing and new member will receive a \$5 coupon good for purchases in the Book Cellar.

Members also get a 10% discount on regularly priced merchandise in the Gift Shop when it opens, a 25% discount on all regularly priced merchandise during Member Discount Days.

Did you know that according to a recent Gallop poll, people went to their local library two times more often than the movies! Libraries today are gathering places with meeting rooms, study rooms and opportunities to share information. Our library is unique, it has a small-town cozy feel with big town amenities. Let's work together to maintain it and make it even better. Thank you.



# **Community Volunteer Fair**

Are you looking for a way to give back to your community, or for a way to meet new people? Join us in the library on **Saturday, May 16**<sup>th</sup> **from 11am – 1pm** for our Community Volunteer Fair. Representatives from 16 local organizations will be on hand to explain the work that they do, answer questions, and help you find a volunteer position that suits your interests and talents. Opening remarks will be provided by Mayor Brian Turnbull and Northville Township Supervisor Bob Nix. **This event sponsored by Community Financial.** 

All event dates in the newsletter are subject to change in light of the coronavirus social distancing quidelines.



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### **News from the Friends' Store**

The Friends Gift Store is located right inside the main doors of the library, and is a growing source of income for the Friends. It is a small space, but we have it jampacked with a big assortment of merchandise!

The store is entirely run by volunteers who are happy to help you find "just the right thing". They can also answer questions about joining the Friends or volunteering.

Member Shopping Days are June 5 - 7th. During this event, members of the Friends of NDL receive a 25% discount on all regularly priced merchandise including puppets and puzzles. Books from the Historical Society and handmade greeting cards are excluded.

#### **Friends Store Hours**

Monday - Thursday 11:00 - 5:00 Friday - 11:00 - 4:30 Saturday - 10:00 - 4:00 Sunday - 1:30 - 4:00 (during the school year)

# Shop our Used Book Cellar for Great Bargains! Hours:

Monday: 11 am - 5 pm & 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Wednesday: 11 am - 5 pm & 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Thursday: 11 am - 5 pm

Friday: 11 am - 4:45 pm

Saturday: 11 am - 2 pm (Closed Tuesday & Sunday)

# **Programs Sponsored** by the Friends

Jesse Lee Mason - "Your Lying Eyes: How Illusions Work and Why They Matter"

Tuesday, June 24 > 7 pm in the Carlo Meeting Room

Join physics professor and psychology buff Jesse Mason for a guided tour of the world's most famous perceptual illusions and learn why perceiving reality is such a tricky business for humans.

Sponsored by the Friends of NDL. Register.

# **Friends' Gift Book Donations**

If you would like to honor someone in your life who is celebrating a milestone or whose memory you wish to honor, consider donating a gift book or CD to the library.



You choose the amount and select the subject matter. Librarians carefully select the item(s) based on your suggestions. The honoree is recognized with a bookplate placed in each item. All donations are listed in the Library's quarterly newsletter and in the Gift Book Registry located at the library. 2019 Donations include:

#### *In Memory of:*

Julie Herrin by Mary Rack

Geraldine Beecher by Cheryl Nelson and Her Loving Family Julie Herrin by the Northville District Library Staff

Marilyn Hirka by The Friends of the Northville District Library

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### In Honor of:

Dorie Freebury by the Friends of the Northville District Library Robert Griffith, Jr.'s 77 Birthday by The Hartigan Family

Rita Kochan for 20 Years at the Northville District Library, by NDL Staff

Jeannine Meade by Friends Gift Store Volunteers

Dr. James Morche by the Friends of the Northville District Library

A Gift to the Northville District Library from the Northville Garden Club

Wonderful Neighbors and Friends, The Blume Family, by Dorie Freebury

# **Battle of the Books 2020**

On Wednesday March 11<sup>th</sup>, the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Battle of the Books event took place at Northville High School. Battle of the Books is a fun reading program for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Teams of middle school students read from a pre-selected set of seven books and compete to answer questions based on these books. On the night of the actual competition, students add to the excitement by wearing team costumes. Thirty teams of enthusiastic middle school readers joined in the festivities this year. The Friends of the Library generously sponsored this annual event, donating to each of the thirty teams a canvas bag containing the seven books featured in this year's competition.



Fiction Addiction won the competition with a score of 224. Congratulations to them!

# In Memory

The Friends acknowledge the passing of Barbara D. Hudgins who died on 2/20/2020. Barb was a long-time volunteer in the Friends Gift Store, and also served on the Friends Board in many different capacities over the years. In 2001, Barb was instrumental in the opening of our "Book Cellar" on the lower level. She and her co-volunteers worked tirelessly to turn the former storage area into a comfortable space and one that was up to code for use as a used book store. Barb was an avid reader and was always a good one to ask for a book suggestion!

# **What the Friends Are Reading Now**

Larry Bolam
"The Overstory " by Richard Powers

Linda Schwelnus "Talking to Strangers" by Malcolm Gladwell

Chris Litka

"The Library Book" by Susan Orlean

Regina Mingela
"Save Me the Plum" by Ruth Reichl

Rick Nork
"Gunslingers" by John Layne

# **With Thanks to These Generous Donors**

Northville Marathon Bridge Group

Karen Hasenstab

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# Summer Reading

The Friends continue to support summer reading programs for all age groups. The first day of Summer Reading is scheduled for Friday, June 12. The theme this year is "Imagine Your Story", a fantasy-based theme. Details are not yet in place but will be posted as soon as possible.



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