



BUILDING A STRONG RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE LIBRARY AND THE NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY

SPRING 2022

## MAY IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH

Hello to Friends of the Northville District Library. Thank you for your support in 2021. The Friends mission is to:

- Increase public awareness of the Library
- Raise funds to support Library programs and services
- Involve members in working on behalf of the Library

**Membership** dues are a major source of our funding. There are several levels of membership including: Individual, Family, Patron, Lifetime and Business. Joining at the \$100 level allows you the opportunity to have your name or business published in our Newsletter or on tote bags used during various programs.

Due to Covid restrictions our Gift Store and our Book Cellar were not able to open until late in the calendar year which made membership dollars even more important for continuing our mission. Being “creative” we used “pop-up” opportunities weather permitting, to sell used books and some of the stock from the Gift Store outside the library on several Saturdays.

In addition to the Book Cellar and the Gift Store the Friends sponsor a Gift Book Program. Please see further Gift Book information on page 2.

Your Membership support during this 2nd year of Covid restrictions and your volunteer time have been one of the reasons we were able to donate close to \$20,000 for special projects and programs at the Library.

There are also opportunities to volunteer time or become a member of the **Friends Board of Directors**. If interested contact Martha at [northvillelibraryfriends@gmail.com](mailto:northvillelibraryfriends@gmail.com) for additional information. We are actively looking for members and fresh ideas on how to best support our goals.

Projects and programs supported by the Friends benefit

## THANKS TO YOU!!

In addition to the many programs that the Friends sponsor, we have also funded many additions to the collections and enhancements to the building over the years. Thanks for your generous support! What would you like to see the Friends purchase? Let us know at [northvillelibraryfriends@gmail.com](mailto:northvillelibraryfriends@gmail.com)

- Furniture and equipment in the Friends Meeting Room
- Text to speech equipment for visually impaired patrons
- Tables and chairs in the Carlo Room
- Diaper changing stations in public restrooms
- Wayne & Oakland County Plat books for Michigan History Collection
- Extra lighting for lower level stacks
- Chairs for public computers
- Digitization of Northville Record
- AWE workstations for Youth Area
- New fiction books for the Youth Area
- New books for the International Language Collection
- Teen Area Re-design and furniture
- Two Telescopes available for check-out
- Fixit Bicycle Station
- Landscaping materials
- “STEM” kits for youth area
- Original Book Club Kits
- Core Boards for verbally impaired patrons
- Local History Room furniture & equipment

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all ages and interests of our Northville Community. Last year's programs included musical performances and speakers who enriched the community on topics varying from gardening, bird watching, local history and current events. Programs are available to all, at no cost.

Look inside for an envelope to renew your membership. This year:

- Encourage just one other friend to join or
- Consider joining the **Friends Board of Directors**
- The position of Secretary is now open

More envelopes are available at the library. Both renewing members and new members will receive a \$5.00 gift certificate to use in the Book Cellar.

**Please Renew now, and Thank You!**

## OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

Summer Reading is Here The rules are simple: read books, log them and get rewarded! All ages are encouraged to join in. Download the free READsquared app onto your favorite device, print them off of the Library website, or ask at the Information Desk for paper copies to fill out. We value your feedback and this year we are allotting different goals for different age groups! The Summer Reading program is sponsored by our *Friends of the Library* group. Thank you!



## FRIENDS SPONSORED EVENTS

**Our European Ancestors' Voyage to America with Genealogist Katherine Willison  
Tuesday, May 10 at 7 pm (In Person)**

Learn about your immigrant ancestors' voyage from Europe to the United States, and how those journeys changed from the 18th century through the 20th century. How did our ancestors prepare for the journey? What immigration restrictions & quota laws did they face? How were ports of departure and arrival chosen? What was the ticket cost? How long would the journey take, and what were the expected ship accommodations?  
Registration Required.

**History of Tiger Stadium with Doc Fletcher  
Monday, May 2 at 7pm (In Person)**

The History of Tiger Stadium: A Love Letter to Baseball at Michigan & Trumbull honors The Cathedral at The Corner where - together with great-grandparents, grand-parents, parents, uncles, aunts, siblings, children, godchildren, & friends, we cheered on our Detroit Tigers for 104 years, from 1896-1999.  
Registration Required.

## 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 semi-annual newsletter and in the Gift Book Registry located at the library. Donations since September 2021:

### ***In Memory of:***

JoAnn Dalziel by:

Kerry & John Coomer  
Richard & Donna Hoefer  
Veronica Cambra

"Miss Mary" Mary D. Brissette by Dorie Freebury Falik

Bailey Genevieve Broderick by The O'Brien Family

Barbara Hudgins by Jim & Chris Hudgins

Patsy Johnson by Book Club

Walter Lypka by Sharon Rauner

Ray R. Rennels by Elaine Brennan

Karen Corrine Clements by Catharine DiCicco

Pat Stringer by Carolyn Nieuwkoop

### ***In Honor of:***

Phyllis Stengel's Birthday by Jacquelynn Stengel

Bina Bernard, Author, by Book Club Friends of Bina's Nephew & Niece, Jim

& Kathy Bernard

Patricia Greenman's Birthday by Jim & Judy Russell

Betty Kaiser by Carolyn Nieuwkoop

Robert B. Griffith, Jr.'s 79th Birthday

By Friends Gift Store Volunteers:

Ann Bourque  
Sandy Walts  
Carol Holland  
Peggy Koppy

By Ryan, Becky, Lola, Finley & Prue Ossenmacher:

Lola Cooper  
Chris Ossenmacher  
John Ossenmacher

By Phyllis Stengel:

Connie Marcangelo, Thank you!  
Carol Price, Thank you!!



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is on Facebook!



## 2022 BATTLE OF THE BOOKS WINNERS

The Battle of the Books competition was held in-person for the first time in two years on March 9th. The Battle is a fun, annual reading program for local 6th, 7th, and 8th graders, and seventeen teams participated this year. Congratulations to all of the teams, and also to the hard-working library staff who plan this popular event which is sponsored by the Friends.



**First Place: Page Punchers**



**Second Place: Bibliophiles**

### “RENEW YOUR LIBRARY”

Please vote YES on August 2nd, 2022 for the Northville District Library millage renewal. This is a renewal of the current millage and will not impact your taxes. This renewal is vital so the library can maintain the same level of quality programs and services to our community. We are very fortunate to have a library of this high caliber with a committed and dedicated staff. Your vote counts!



### WHAT THE FRIENDS ARE READING NOW

Recommended by Leslie Bazini

**American Dirt** by Jeanine Cummins

**The Four Winds** by Kristin Hannah

Recommended by Lynn Parkllan

**The Weight of Ink** by Rachel Kadish

**Whistling Season** by Ivan Doig

**Hamnet** by Maggie O'Farrell

Recommended by Joelle Sarkosy

**The Sunday Philosophy Club** by Alexander McCall Smith

**The Natchez Burning trilogy** by Greg Isles

Recommended by Cynthia Thomas

**The Three Pines** Inspector Gamache series by Louise Penny

### *Thank You!*

*Thanks to these retiring Volunteers*

Peggy Koppy  
Carol Holland

*Special thanks to these  
“Over & Above” Donors*

Karen Hasenstab  
Kady Becker

### NEW DONATION BIN

Donations of gently used materials will be accepted in our new bin located on the front porch! The Friends accept donations of used books, DVDs, music CDs, and puzzles. Puzzles must be gently used and in the original box. We cannot accept books that are mildewed or musty. Thank you for supporting the library with your donations!



# FRIENDS OF THE NORTHVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## Thanks to our Lifetime Members

Judith Costigan  
 Molly and Matt Griffin  
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