



BUILDING A STRONG RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE LIBRARY AND THE NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY

SPRING 2023

ABOUT LIBRARIES AND THE FRIENDS OF NORTHVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY

by Carol Murray

Thank you to all of our supporters and especially our members both new and renewing. Your interest and contributions help us continue to achieve our goals. With your membership we can continue supporting our library with additional funds for programs that enrich offerings to our community. Although our library is somewhat smaller in scale and variety than the Trinity College Library pictured on the right, it is equally as grand and important to all our Friends and those who come to our library. The Trinity Library: established in 1592, is still relevant in today's world and is used for research by scholars from all over the world.

Recently I have heard comments that Libraries are no longer relevant or important. After all, we have the Internet! When I visited the Trinity College Library it was filled with visitors and students. I heard multiple languages and saw all ages. It is the same at our Northville Library. It is true that we can ask Google a question and get 100 answers. But if you ask a Librarian, you will most likely get ONE right answer to your question. The Friends have played an important part in increasing materials and supporting the library staff and helping to bring information and opportunities to a broad section of residents.

Look around this Newsletter to see just a few of the opportunities, programs, and physical items paid for and supported by the Friends.



Trinity College Library Dublin, Ireland

May is Membership Month.

Please renew your membership and encourage your friends and neighbors to join also.

We are looking for additional members to join our Friends Board. We meet 10 times a year. Consider bringing your enthusiasm and new ideas to our group.

Local Author Fair

Saturday, May 20 from 2 - 4 PM

Meet authors from Northville and surrounding communities. Browse locally written books available for purchase and signing from authors writing in a variety of genres, including children's, young adult, fiction and nonfiction.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. **Drop in.**

Book Cellar Hours

Monday: 11 AM - 5 PM and 6:30 PM -8:30 PM

Tuesday closed

Wednesday: 11 AM - 5 PM and 6:30 PM -8:30 PM

Thursday: 11 AM - 5 PM

Friday: 11 AM - 4:45 PM

Saturday: 11 AM - 2 PM

Sunday*: 2 PM - 4 PM

*New, due to customer requests

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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:

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FRIENDS SPONSORED EVENTS

Through the Eyes of Rose

Monday, May 15 from 7 - 8:30 PM Carlo Meeting Room

Through the Eyes of Rose with Author John F. Kozak - Hear of one woman's courage and dogged determination to seek freedom for her family as they flee Russia during the Soviet occupation of Czechoslovakia in 1949.

Lotus Flower Lantern Craft

Thursday, May 18 from 7 - 8:30 PM Carlo Meeting Room

Korean Spirit & Culture Promotion Project - Popular Program Returns for Part 2 - Lotus Flower Lantern Craft

Create a lotus flower lantern. Kits provided by the library and available for attendees prior to program.

2023 BATTLE OF THE BOOKS WINNERS

Sponsored by the Friends

Teams of 4 to 6 students in grades 6 through 8 read from a selected set of seven books and compete to answer questions based on those books. Among the team, members read 1 to 7 books and participate in the final live competition. Teams create their own team names and costumes adding to the excitement. This year the Bibliophiles won. Congrats to them and to all who participated!



First Place: Bibliophiles

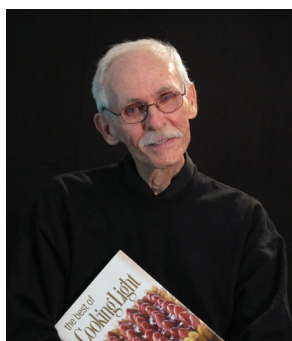
Book Club Kits

The Friends once again contributed to the Book Club Kits. Each bag contains 8 copies of the book, discussion questions, and an author biography. One person checks out the kit for your book club. New titles are added through-out the year.



Remembering Jim Morche

Prolific Friends participant Jim Morche passed away on March 11. Jim was a past President, Used Book organizer and Program Chairman of the Friends for many years and brought insight into the Friends mission through his long history with the library. Jim was a great gentleman.



WHAT THE FRIENDS ARE READING NOW

From Barbara Louie:

***The Curse of Jacob Tracy* by Holly Messenger** is an unusual but entertaining and exciting historical western/fantasy.

Two from Richard O'Donnell:

***We Don't Know Ourselves* by Fintan O'Toole.**

A comprehensive narrative of the cultural, political, religious, social, and economic history of Ireland from 1958 onward. The author provides detailed insights into how each facet of Ireland's history evolved over the course of his lifetime. A novel approach to telling the modern history of a country.

***How to Be Perfect* by Michael Shur.**

Michael Shur is an accomplished television producer who became fascinated by ethics through his work on "The Good Life". The book is very funny, but is also a serious primer on ethics for a modern age.

From Mary Lou Broderick:

***Our Missing Hearts* by Celeste Ng**

Our Missing Hearts is an old story made new, of the ways supposedly civilized communities can ignore the most searing injustice. It's about the lessons and legacies we pass on to our children, and the power of art to create change.

From Coline Coleman:

***Fresh Water for Flowers* by Valerie Perrin**

A #1 best-seller in France and in Italy, where it was dubbed Italy's favorite "lockdown novel," Fresh Water for Flowers is an intimately told story about a woman who defiantly believes in happiness, despite it all.

From Linda Bastien

***The Maid* by Nita Prose**

A heartwarming mystery with a lovable oddball at its center, this cozy whodunit introduces a one-of-a-kind heroine who will steal your heart.

From Denise Stacer

***Killing Trail (Timber Creek K-9)* by Margaret Mizushima**

A fun mystery series centered around the relationship of a deputy and her K-9 dog. Mattie and Robo protect their Colorado town as they learn to trust each other and build their skills. There are lots of characters in the small town setting and the partners work together to solve crime and to create a family. There are 8 books in the series.



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