



# Watermarks



## President's Message

It is with excitement and purpose that I lead the Friends of the Lake Oswego Public Library as your new President. I am proud of the tremendous impact this group makes on behalf of our library and will work to build upon that foundation. You may look forward to a new, user-friendly website that will enable you to stay in touch with all aspects of the Friends, as well as your membership. The site should be complete by November.

We are poised to take a more active role in one of our favorite programs, Lake Oswego Reads. Timothy Egan's book, 'Short Nights of the Shadow Catcher' is sure to captivate and I anticipate record attendance at all the events throughout February. Your tickets to hear the author speak will be highly prized.

Financially, The Booktique is enjoying record business. Thank you to everyone who donates used books, CDs, DVDs, and records and to those who buy them. Booktique Manager, Margaret Ogren, has taken advantage of the wealth of knowledge in our volunteers, who are now curating sections of the store to create visually exciting and relevant presentations. Thanks to the success of The Booktique and our increased membership numbers, we are funding the Lake Oswego Library's Wish List with \$55,000, our highest level to date.

We are deeply grateful for the contributions of our outgoing president, Terry Huber. Terry's efforts on behalf of the Friends for the last six years have been paramount to our current success. She will continue as a supervisor at The Booktique and as a Friends board member. We know that she will enjoy more time with her family, to pursue her study of genealogy and to travel. Thank you, Terry. We are so grateful!

Sadly, we mark the passing of Maxine Collins on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Her decades-long involvement with the Friends shaped our group significantly. Maxine was able to attend this year's Lake Oswego Library volunteer luncheon and learned that an award had been established in her honor. Read more about her life and contribution to the Friends in this newsletter. She will be greatly missed.

Thank you for your patience as I take on this new challenge and as always, thank you for your support of the Friends of the Lake Oswego Public Library.

## PASSING THE GAVEL!



## Membership Benefits

Your membership in the Friends brings many benefits to you and the community. Your membership dues, together with proceeds from the Friends' Booktique Used Bookstore, go to:

- Publishing and distributing the Friends Newsletter which keeps you informed on what is happening with the organization, at the library, and in the Booktique.
- Providing members tickets and a free copy of the book chosen for the "Lake Oswego Reads" program each year.
- Supporting library programs and events for children, teens and adults.
- Enriching the library's collections (books, DVDs, CDs, etc.)
- Building the Friends fund for a new library to meet the future needs of our community.
- **Be a Friend:**
- [www.friendslol.org](http://www.friendslol.org)

## Manager's Notes

### Volunteering at the Booktique

Yesterday one of our volunteers checked her fitness tracker at the end of her shift. "Three miles already! And most of it here in the store!" It got me thinking about how healthy it is to volunteer here. While the **Booktique Workout** doesn't compare to pulling ivy at Tryon Creek Park (we have several volunteers who also do that each week), it is definitely a workout.

Start the **Booktique Workout** with plenty of **walking**: back and forth from the bins to the pricing table, and then from the pricing table to the shelves. Then there's **lifting**: our sorters regularly lift piles of books out of boxes onto the sorting table, and from there into bins or onto shelves. Our pricers carry books back and forth throughout their shift, shelving books so that customers can find what they are looking for. **Bending and stretching**: If a customer can't reach something, a volunteer

is there to help. Also, our shelves and bins in the work area go from the floor almost to the ceiling, and we use every available nook and cranny, no matter how hard to reach. There's also

**Sideways-aislersize**, as we try to squeeze through the aisle with an armload of books past customers totally engrossed in the book they just discovered. We also work on our fine motor skills with the **Page-flipper**, hunting for the elusive publication date as we're pricing. And my personal favorite workout, the **Aerobic "Laugh Out Loud"**, when someone shares a funny observation or a goofy title such as "**Still Stripping after 25 Years**" (which turns out to be a quilting book, who knew?). The **Booktique Workout** is good for the body and the spirit!



### MAXINE COLLINS – August 5, 1929 – September 18, 2015



On September 18, 2015 The Friends of Lake Oswego Public Library lost a dear friend and loyal supporter. Maxine Collins joined The Friends sometime in the early 1960's at the urging of Dorothy Stafford and remained an active member until her death. She served as a Board member from 1984 to 2015 including time as Vice-President and President.

Maxine was always available to assist The Friends on their projects supporting the LO Library. The Maxine Collins Award was created to recognize individuals who worked behind the scenes to help The Friends in their support of

the Library. The first award was presented at the annual Library Volunteer Luncheon in May, 2015 with Maxine in attendance.

In addition to the work she did over the years for The Friends, Maxine will be missed for her beautiful smile, great sense of humor and the "twinkle" in her eye. Our sympathies go out to her family – she will be missed.

Terry Huber

**Wish List Committee  
Grant Requests for September 15, 2015**

First Tuesday Music Program	Jane Carr	\$6,000	15-11
Will Power 400	Jane Carr	\$750	15-12
Third Tuesday Author Series	Alicia Yokoyama	\$2,000	15-13
Performing Arts Series	Fawn McGee	\$5,000	15-14
Educational & Cultural Programs	Fawn McGee & Alicia Yokoyama	\$4,000	15-15
Adult Fiction	Kiira Taylor	\$3,925	15-16
Adult Summer Reading Prizes	Kiira Taylor	\$1,140	15-17
Program Hospitality	Cyndie Glazer	\$2,000	15-18
Books for Babies	Cyndie Glazer	\$1,000	15-19
Tenth Annual Lake Oswego Reads	Cyndie Glazer	\$8,000	15-20
Author Presentation for LO Reads	Cyndie Glazer	\$9,500	15-21
Special Shows for Youth	Andrea Milano	\$6,000	15-22
Summer Reading Club Incentives	Andrea Milano	\$5,000	15-23
Cultural Pass Program	Melissa Kelly	\$685	15-24
<b>TOTAL REQUESTED</b>		<b>\$55,000</b>	

**Wish List Committee Members:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ V'Anne Didzun</li> <li>❖ Judy Craggs</li> <li>❖ Terry Huber</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Maxine Collins</li> <li>❖ Diane Falvey</li> <li>❖ Pat Wagner</li> </ul> |
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## We're growing

**TOTAL MEMBERS BELONGING TO FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY TOPS 570 !**

## PLANNED GIVING

### The Friends Dreams of Its Own Retail Space

The Booktique has been located at the Providence Mercantile Village for many years. And we are busting at the seams.

We don't have any plans to move any time soon. And if any of our readers are wondering, we are not losing our lease. Nevertheless, we do dream of having our own Lake Oswego retail location with better street visibility and more elbow room.

Donating real estate, especially highly appreciated real estate, to the Friends can be financially beneficial for a donor. A donor may receive an income tax deduction equal to the appraised fair market value of the property, with no capital gains tax due on the transfer to the Friends. And the donor may remove a large taxable asset from their estate.

If you are interested in donating real estate to the Friends, please call our Treasurer, Anastasia Yu Meisner at 503-697-1035. Thank you.

*Update - The Friends with the generous assistance of the Library has found a new location for our storage needs. Thank you to the Library.*

### A FEW QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

Why isn't the number 11 pronounced onety-one?

Why do croutons come in airtight packages? Aren't they just stale bread to begin with?

If a pig loses its voice, is it disgruntled?

If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen defrocked, then doesn't it follow that electricians can be delighted, musicians denoted, cowboys deranged, models deposed, tree surgeons debarked and dry cleaners depressed?

Why do banks charge a fee due to insufficient funds when they already know you're broke? Whose cruel idea was it to put an "s" in the word "lisp"?

Why, in winter, do we try to keep the house as warm as it was in summer when we complained about the heat?

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V'Anne Didzun, Vice President

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Anastasia Meisner, Treasurer

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