



WATERMARKS

Membership Benefits

Your membership in the Friends of the Lake Oswego Library brings many benefits to you and to the community. Your membership dues, with proceeds from the Friends' award-winning Booktique Used Bookstore, support important and enriching programs of the Lake Oswego Public Library. A few of the programs are below.

Library programs for adults, teens and children, including LO Reads, Teen Summer Reading Program, Children's Storytimes, musical performances, guest speakers, and 'Books for Babies'

Enriching the library's book, DVD, CD, etc. collections

Lake Oswego Reads author lecture ticket and free copy of LO Reads book for each Friends member, plus a wide range of related events throughout the month long program

Publication of Friends newsletter to keep Friends informed of what we're doing, how we're helping and what's happening at the Library and in our local community.

To Find Out More or to Join Friends

President's Message

Dear Friends,
It has been a busy time for the Friends this quarter! Many of you were able to join us for our Annual Meeting, held in September at the Oswego Heritage House. We ended up with a full house, enjoyed a 'proem' by local author Brian Doyle, and a presentation by Kim Stafford. Thank you to all who attended. For those who couldn't make it, I have included some pertinent information in this newsletter.



This year we celebrate the 25th anniversary of our used bookstore, **Booktique**, and at the same time, a record two-million dollars in sales earned to-date. This is an amazing accomplishment, earned dollar by dollar through the consistent efforts of a volunteer staff that is second-to-none. Fifty plus volunteers work 5 days/week under the leadership of our dedicated manager, Margaret Ogren. We also couldn't have accomplished this without support from our reading community. Your donations and purchases are priceless.

We celebrated our 25 years with a gathering at **Booktique**. Attendees included our mayor Kent Studebaker, Library Director, Bill Baars, City Manager Scott Lazenby, City Councilor Jon Gustafson, LOPL Volunteer Coordinator Cyndie Glazer, several members of the library staff, board members and Friends! It was a fun celebration! Mayor Studebaker highlighted the reason for **Booktique's** success, using himself as an example. He said that he loves reading and buys his books from Booktique, reads them, donates them back to the store and then buys more. Thank you to everyone who participates in this beneficial cycle!

As we head into the Holidays, keep us in mind for wonderful gifts. Margaret and her team will be adding Holiday-themed books to the store weekly. If you would like to know about upcoming sales and events at **Booktique**, please join the store's mailing list. [To subscribe click here.](#) As always, thank you for your support of the Friends. I am grateful!



All my best,
Nancy Niland, President

Programs Supported by the Friends in 2016

The Friends of the Lake Oswego Public Library, through the profits of **Booktique Used Bookstore**, support an amazing variety of library programs. In addition to the award winning, annual Lake Oswego Reads program, 2016 programs supported include:

- Performing Art Series
- Educational & Cultural Programs
- Books for Babies
- Special Shows for Youth
- Cultural Pass Program
- First Tuesday Music Series

For information on Lake Oswego Library programs, visit the Library website at ci.oswego.or.us

Events at the Library

"2jazzguitars"

First Tuesday Music Series
Tuesday, December 6, 7-8:30pm
Festive jazz, Latin, blues, classical, the whole nine yards with Ben Graves and Neil Mattson.

Children's Storytimes

Kids CREATE

Family Movie Nights

Family Gaming Nights

Teen Programs

Please see the Lake Oswego Public Library website for full schedule of events at ci.oswego.or.us and join in the fun!

Library Enhancements coming soon

This winter, Lake Oswego Library will undergo a renovation of the checkout area and staff workroom, and implementation of RFID technology, in order to improve library services to the community and staff working conditions. Since the library building was constructed in 1983, the volume of materials circulated has increased four-fold, from approximately 250,000 items to over 1 million items per year. The RFID project is intended to better serve our community by providing members with time-saving self-service options, while also helping staff to process items more quickly, allowing for increased time for interactions to help members.

New state-of-the-art self-checkout kiosks on all 3 floors will allow you to avoid the checkout line and utilize RFID technology to efficiently and securely checkout materials in a matter of seconds.

The renovation will take approximately 3 months and is anticipated for December-March. The library will remain open as much as possible, with only one week of closure projected. The community will be informed as soon as closure dates are confirmed. The drive-up book drop in the parking lot will remain open for returns 24/7. Some library collections will be temporarily relocated in the library during this time, so please do not hesitate to ask a librarian for help in finding something. Thank you for your patience and understanding as during this important project! For updates, please visit www.lopl.org

Gifts of Appreciated Stock to the Friends

Did you know that you can gift to the Friends your appreciated stocks, bonds, or other similar assets and receive a tax benefit?

Donating long term appreciated stock to the Friends can allow you to take an immediate tax deduction equal to the stock's fair market value. But if you were to sell the stock yourself, you may owe capital gains tax. Therefore, donating the same stock directly to the Friends not only earns you a tax deduction, you will also avoid a capital gains tax.

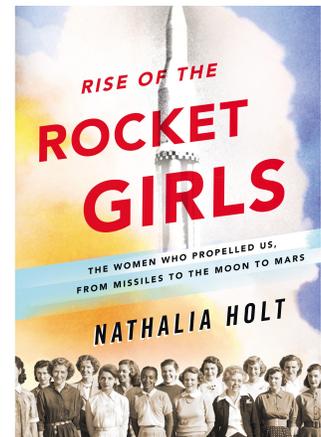
Additionally, it is more beneficial for the Friends to receive long term appreciated stock directly rather than cash from the sale of the stock, as the full value is realized without a deduction for the tax amount.

If you would like to discuss helping support our Library in any way, please call President Nancy Niland at 503-886-9421. Thank you.

Lake Oswego Reads Announces Book for 2017

The Lake Oswego Public Library has selected ***Rise of the Rocket Girls: The Women Who Propelled Us, from Missiles to the Moon to Mars*** by Nathalia Holt as the 2017 book for its award winning citywide reading program. *Rise of the Rocket Girls* is the true story of an elite group of young women who transformed rocket design, helped bring about the first American satellites, and made the exploration of the solar system possible.

Author Holt said, "Lake Oswego has taken the community read to a higher level, making it a true celebration of books and reading. I am honored to take part in it, especially as the women I write about are so deserving of this attention. The triumphs of the early pioneers of NASA belong to us all, their achievements encompassing both the exploration of our universe and a piece of our history that we can all be proud of."



Thanks to the Friends of the Lake Oswego Library, Holt will be speaking in Lake Oswego on February 8, 2017. Members of the Friends of the Library will be given a ticket to hear the author. **This is a great reason to join the Friends** – plus for other benefits of membership. To find out more or to join, visit <http://friendslopl.org/membership>. The official kickoff of Lake Oswego Reads will be on January 9, 2017 with distribution of books, and supporting events will fill the month. To enhance the program, suggestions are welcome for speakers who live in the Lake Oswego area who were astronauts, worked at JPL, NASA or are experts on topics related to rockets and space exploration. Please contact Cyndie Glazer at 503-675-2538 or cglazer@lakeoswego.city. For Lake Oswego Reads updates, visit www.lakeoswegoreads.org.

From our good Friend Brian Doyle

Proem to Laud and Sing the Tiny Storefront in My Town Where Overflow Books from Our Excellent Library Are Sold for Wildly Reasonable Rates and Sold with a Gentle Grinning Expertise Too

It's cool enough that you can wander in there and find Willa Cather or Kenneth Roberts or Plutarch or The Hardy Boys or Girl Scout manuals; I mean, think about it, where else in the world can you find these sweet Companions of your misspent youth, and all for a buck or two at most? But the fact that it's all organized but not maniacally grimly corporately So, that's cool, and that you can actually get books for fifty cents there, And that the people who labor there don't get nine cents in recompense, That's cool, and that even the books on the collectible shelf are basically Within range if you really want to collect all of George Gissing's books, Even The Private Papers of Henry Ryecroft, and also the place somehow Has this cool scent of learning and paper and affection and wood shelves And librarness – you know that last scent, that's the scent of community And shared values and your hard-earned tax dollars going to imaginative Enterprises and the preservation and sharing of stories that matter hugely. The gentle of it, the quiet, the friendly, the sidelong smile someone gives You when he sees you are buying Conrad Richter for one kid and Rascal For another and a handful of Redwall books ostensibly for kids but really You'll get to them first, and the Booktique guy knows this, and somehow That adds to the pleasure, and (use the right word), the honor of the place.



Friends President Nancy Niland
with Booktique Manager
Margaret Ogren

Heartfelt Thanks

**...to Dolores Minson,
for her tenure as the
editor of Watermarks
newsletter. Her
dedication to the
publication has been
invaluable and we're
thankful to her for her
contribution.**

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www.friendslopl.org

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