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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – February, 2015

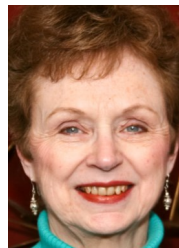
During January The Friends of Lake Oswego Public Library gave out 300 copies of *All The Light We Cannot See*, the 2015 LO Reads book choice, to current members of The Friends and 480 books to library cardholders. This represents the start of the 9th Annual LO Reads event which this year has approximately 30 events planned for February.

For each of the 9 years of LO Reads The Friends have purchased the books and with the exception of the first year, we have paid the expenses to have the authors come speak. From the beginning the program has been a success and has grown to involve many in our community. This year's book, *All The Light We Cannot See*, is #1 on several of the national booklists so we are pleased to have the author, Anthony Doerr, coming to Lake Oswego.

This program as well as many of the other wonderful programs that the LO Library puts on during the year are made possible by financial support from the Friends of Lake Oswego Public Library. Profits from our used bookstore, The Booktique, are the major source of our support but member dues and gifts also help.

FYI -- a few years ago our membership totaled 170+ and I mentioned that my goal was to reach 500 members in the next few years. As of January, 2015 our membership count is 542!!! How about 700 members by 2016?

Thank you to all of you for joining The Friends and helping us support our Library and its programs. Tell your friends about us and encourage them to join so we can continue to keep our library Oregon's #1 library.



SPECIAL NOTICE

In an effort to reduce our environmental impact, the Friends are in the process of transitioning to on-line options for all aspects of membership. Once our newly improved website is launched, members will be able to renew, give gift memberships & access all the benefits of their membership on-line. The website will be linked to a secure site that will enable payment and reduce the impact of ink, postage and paper as well as save us a considerable amount of the current expense we incur from printing and postage costs.

Many thanks for your consideration as we transition to this more efficient and environmentally conscious method of operating our membership.

Sincerely,

Nancy Niland

Membership Chair



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.

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MESSAGE FROM OUR MANAGER

Old books, new treasures - Manager's Notes

I grew up two blocks from a wonderful dark-brown shingled gambrel-roofed Carnegie Library. It was one of the first places I was allowed to walk on my own, and every week my older brother and I would carry our armloads of library books back and exchange them for new armloads. As I got a little older and had homework assignments, my friends and I would meet at the library after school to work together in the reference room, dragging multiple volumes of the World Book Encyclopedia to a huge oak table. We would spread them out and follow every "see" and "see also" reference until the reference librarian came by to remind us to put all those volumes away, in order please, before we went home.



Each spring the Friends of the Library held a book sale in the basement of that great old library. My brother and I would take our little red wagon and bring home boxes full of books. If we rationed them we would still have some left to read when school let out for summer vacation and we could spend all day reading. To quote Reading Rainbow, a TV show that didn't arrive until decades later (Wikipedia says 1983), "I can go anywhere, take a look, it's in a book." We could go anywhere and be anything in our books.

Every day at the Booktique is a little like that annual sale at my old hometown library. At the Booktique a person can fill a little red wagon with treasures for less than the cost of a movie with popcorn. As an adult it's a little harder to carve out a whole day for reading, but you don't have to wait for a once-a-year sale for inspiration. Five days a week every week we offer you a wonderful opportunity to find other worlds and other lives in a book. You too can go anywhere or be anything, in a book. See you at the Booktique!

THE BOOKTIQUE, LAKE OSWEGO'S BEST KEPT SECRET !



The Friends Create a Permanent Endowment

We are pleased to announce that we have partnered with the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF) and created The Friends of the Lake Oswego Public Library Fund. With the OCF's stewardship and long term investment program, our endowment fund will be maintained in perpetuity to provide a stable stream of income that will support our Library.

With this partnership, we are able to offer our donors the opportunity to make a permanent gift to ensure future funding for our Library work. Through the OCF, the Friends are able to accept gifts such as securities, personal property, and real property upon approval of OCF's gift acceptance committee. We are also able to offer our donors the option of making a planned gift, often called a deferred gift, which will ultimately benefit our endowment fund. The OCF staff will work with us and our donors to create bequests, charitable remainder trusts (CRT) and gift annuities.

The OCF is a statewide nonprofit organization that administers permanent charitable funds established through gifts from individuals, families, businesses and other organizations. The OCF currently administers over 1800 permanent funds with assets over \$1.6 billion.

LAKE OSWEGO READS DIVERSE SELECTIONS



THE SOUND OF MUSIC FOR THOSE OF A 'CERTAIN AGE'

To commemorate her 69th birthday on October 1, 2004, actress/vocalist Julie Andrews made a special appearance at Manhattan's Radio City Music Hall for the benefit of the AARP. One of the musical numbers she performed was "My Favourite Things" from the legendary movie "Sound Of Music." However, the lyrics of the song were deliberately changed for the entertainment of her "blue hair" audience....

 Maalox and nose drops and needles for knitting,
 Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings,
 Bundles of magazines tied up in string,
 These are a few of my favourite things.
 Cadillacs and cataracts and hearing aids and glasses,
 Polident and Fixodent and false teeth in glasses,
 Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,
 These are a few of my favourite things.
 When the pipes leak, When the bones creak, When the knees go bad,
 I simply remember my favourite things, And then I don't feel so bad.
 Hot tea and crumpets, and corn pads for bunions,
 No spicy hot food or food cooked with onions,
 Bathrobes and heat pads and hot meals they bring,
 These are a few of my favourite things.
 Back pains, confused brains, and no fear of sinnin',
 Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinnin',
 And we won't mention our short shrunken frames,
 When we remember our favorite things.
 When the joints ache, when the hips break, When the eyes grow dim,
 Then I remember the great life I've had, And then I don't feel so bad.

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