



# WATERMARKS

## Announcing New BOD Members

**Michelle-Shari Kruss**

**Janet Buck**

**Parker Honeyman**

## Welcome to the New BOOKtique Manager

**Michael Peck** was born in upstate New York and has been an Oregon resident since 2012. He was a rare book dealer and proprietor of Blue Roof Books. His fiction, reviews, and essays have appeared in the Los Angeles Review of Books, Tin House, The Believer, Rare Books & Collections, and elsewhere.

Michael is thrilled to be managing the BOOKtique and bringing his experience as a bookseller and writer to help connect the Lake Oswego community with great literature.

## Recent Donations

**Debby Kernan**  
Donated \$300 to buy pillows for the stores' reading corners

**Parker Honeyman**  
Donated a new computer for the store manager's office

**Everyone who renewed or became a new member!**

## Season's Greetings President's Message

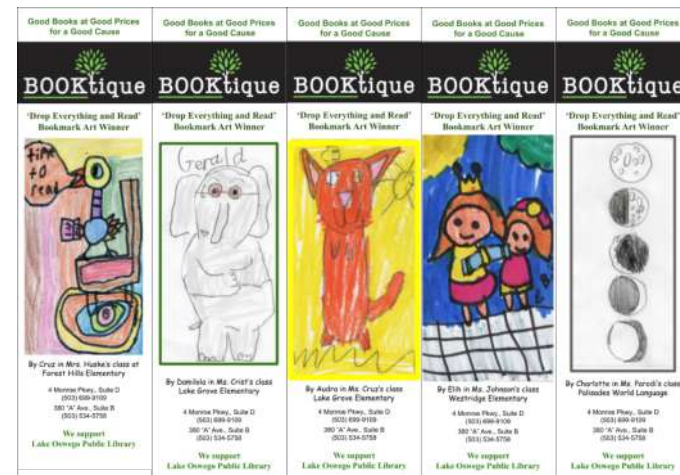
As we seem to be pulling away from our Covid nightmare, it is a good time to look back at the recent past and take stock of the hopefully emerging future for the Booktique. It has been a venturesome time not just in terms of Covid, but also in terms of the changes at the Booktique, in recent history we have moved twice and in that moving created another whole location at City

Hall for the Booktique. We are also taking on our second manager in the last couple of years. Finally, as a direct response to the Covid shut down, we have started selling books with some success on the internet from our growing stock. Most recently we have had a turn over of members of the Friends Board complete with a new Secretary. We thank the most recently retiring members for their service: Pat Wagner, V'Anne Didzun, LeeAnn Rooney, Anastasia Meisner and Bill Mckenzie. We also thank our retiring manager for her hard work reorganizing the stores, and greet our new manager Micheal Peck who has had his own book business online and is excited to bring his knowledge and talent to our community bookstore. He started learning the ropes on the first week of Oct. and will be taking up the reins no later than the beginning of Nov. It is exciting to bring new talent to the Board as well, and we salute the new members: Janet Buck, Michelle Shari-Kruss, Parker Honeyman (our new Secretary) and we believe that Kaye Siver will also be joining the Board soon. We are happy to say that our revenues are nearly back up to before Covid and our grants to the Library are back up to pre-Covid times. These kind of events have stimulated a good community response in the past so we look forward to a good Oct. and an exciting Fall for the Booktique. Come browse and support the Lake Oswego Library.



- Phil Wikelund, President FLOPL

## BOOKtique Bookmark Art Contest Entries



Earlier this year, LO Middle Schoolers created their own bookmarks. The BOOKtique printed out these artworks and handed them out to faithful bookstore patrons. Thanks to all the students who participated in this fun art project!

You are invited to **Join the Friends** to support the Library. Complete the form below and return to Friends at the address below.

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**Annual Dues:** (check one)

- Individual \$25
- Family \$40
- Patron \$75
- Sponsor \$125
- Benefactor \$250

Checks may be left at the Circulation Desk or mailed to address below. Please make check payable to: **Friends of the Lake Oswego Public Library**  
Membership is 12 months from receipt.

*Booktique is staffed by volunteers.*

*Proceeds benefit Lake Oswego Public Library and its programs.*

**4 Monroe Parkway, Suite D**  
Lake Oswego OR 97035  
*behind the gas station*  
503-699-9109  
Tues - Sat  
10am - 4pm (2pm Sat)  
Weds Open til 6pm

**380 A Ave Suite B**  
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**Reminder:**  
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## V'Anne Didzun Retires From the Friends After Nineteen Years, Plans to Continue at The BOOKtique

*"Who am I? I am a book lover....."*

*As a young child, I was at the library often to get the next Little House, the next Nancy Drew, or the next fairy tale story. So at Willamette University I majored in Literature, and at the University of Portland in Library Sciences. I wanted my own bookstore someday. I got it, well not exactly...I started volunteering at the BOOKtique and joined the Friends Board of directors. That was nineteen years ago. I am still working Wednesdays at the BOOKtique, often taking books home to read. I finally finished 6 volumes of Winston Churchill. I am a book lover."*



V'Anne was invited by Jack Radow (a founder of the BOOKtique) to come to the bookstore and volunteer on Wednesdays along with him. V'Anne and Jack often had lunch at the store and maintained a friendship that lasted a long time.

V'Anne is a traveler, a painter, an author, and a grandmother. She has a B.S. from Willamette University and a masters from UP. V'Anne has been Vice President on the Friends board of directors twice under two presidents including Terry Huber. V'Anne has contributed so much while on the board, including being director of the Wish List Committee and the Nomination Committee. V'Anne has worked for ~30 years in education and has been a librarian twice. V'Anne has stepped down from the BOD as of July 2022, but you will still find her on Wednesdays in the BOOKtique helping customers to find that next great read!

## Wish List Granted to The Lake Oswego Public Library from the Friends LOPL



Friends of the Lake Oswego Public Library is pleased to have supported the library with donations so far in 2022 totaling \$25,000. The donations are derived from membership revenue and income from our Booktique stores.

### Thanks so much for your continuing support.

\* \$10,000 donation to support programs for youth: Summer 2022 witnessed a return to robust programming for children, increased participation in the Summer Library Challenge, and a continued demand for take-away and in-house STEM and craft programs. Much of the donation will be used for over 2000 summer prize book incentives and programming supplies. Funds were also used to pay performers and host live programs for families in Rossman Park.

\* \$14,000 donation to support programs for adults: This donation will help the library continue to offer enriching educational and cultural opportunities to the Lake Oswego community, including Summer Library Challenge for Adults, BIPOC Women's Speaker Series, LOPL Trivia Night, First Tuesday Music Concerts; Second Wednesday Performing Arts, The Learning Group, Educational Programs and additional Cultural Programs.

\* \$1,000 donation for program hospitality: As in-person programs resumed in 2022, this donation allowed the library to restore offering refreshments to event attendees well into 2023.

**We encourage you to visit the library and enjoy the Friends-supported programs. You are also invited to join Friends to support our work.**

## BOOKtique Manager Message

I am very proud and honored to have been the BOOKtique store manager for the last year and a half, coming out of the COVID close-down.

Running two brick-and-mortar stores and our online store has been challenging. I am so lucky to have worked with an amazing group of volunteers, they step up when needed and are great with customers.



The BOOKtique could not run without them. So first and foremost a big THANK YOU to all our incredible volunteers.

One accomplishment that I am very proud of is the permitting and installation of the signage at City Hall, come and take a look. I have had a great time doing our weekly themed sales, FF4F, Senior-Wednesdays, Big & Beautiful Sale, Memorial Day Blow-Out, Bookmark Art Contest for local school children, our 5-5-5 punch Bookmarks, promoting HS student art and implementation of our online web store. All of this has been instrumental in reaching my goal of matching our peak (2017) sales of \$120K which we have been able to accomplish. A big THANK YOU to all of YOU our customers and your amazing support!

I am proud of hosting many events including: A virtual book launch for Ooligan Press, three Author events (Dani & Hava, Audrey Sauble and Ann Stinson), our Grand Opening, BOOKtique Ribbon Cutting, our 30 year Anniversary, Summer HS Internship, Capstone Program w/ PSU-business students, our first Monroe Sidewalk Sale, and Volunteer Appreciation Lunches. It is time to pass the baton, but you will still find me at the BOOKtique looking for that next good read.

**-Cheers from LeeAnn Rooney**

## Want to Help The Friends With a Little Something Extra?

Our BOOKtique stores are attracting so many bibliophiles like you that they could use a few items to enhance their operations. You can help by making a special cash donation to the Friends, a public benefit corporation, which qualifies as tax-deductible contributions. These special cash donations will go toward new computers, printers and furnishings.

*If you would like to help with our fund drive please contact Kristin at: [membership@FriendsLOPL.org](mailto:membership@FriendsLOPL.org)*

## Thank You to Our LOHS Interns

Four local high school students were selected for an 8-week internship programs at our Booktique stores this summer. We really appreciated their youthful spirit and all their great work.



*Danette Fidler, Liam Bateman, Peyton Thomas, Nancy Anderson - mentor, and Lucinda Meigel*

## Check Out Our New Sign at The City Hall BOOKtique

