

# WATERMARKS

FALL 2023



## NEWSLETTER OF FRIENDS OF THE LAKE OSWEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY

### President's Message

Dear Friends: Greetings from the end of Summer and the beginning of Fall. The best news for the Friends overall is that our sales continue to do well. It feels like we have recovered pretty much from the Covid Pandemic. Our internet sales continue to be an ever-larger component of the total sales for our two stores. Our volunteers continue to improve the two stores both visually and in cataloging an ever greater number of saleable books. Last weekend we had a successful benefit for the Friends organized by our manager Micheal Peck and Friends Board Member Michelle-Shari Kruss. On Saturday, August 19th, the Chaves, great supporters of the BOOKtique and the Friends, entertained a paying group of interested Lake Oswego folk that got to visit their printing press studio and their beautiful home. in the Stafford area. I would hope that as the word spreads about the event, the Chaves would be willing to host another such lovely event. The Board of the Friends held an extra meeting this summer and began the journey to become a more organized body for its role in supporting the Public Library. Committees were set up and plans were made. Any Friends or interested people would be welcome to visit a board meeting. We are in desperate need of a Treasurer right now since our current Treasurer needs to retire. Finally, As always, we could use more volunteers at our two locations. You just have to love books to work there ! We can find something for you to do that will not only support the Public Library but also be an interesting place to spend volunteer time. Hope to see you at one of our events or in the stores either volunteering or browsing.

Thank you, Phil Wikelund

**Join the Friends Board - We are looking for**

**Attorney      Web Master      Treasurer**

### Words from the BOOKtique Manager

We've had a wonderful summer at the BOOKtique. Our annual sidewalk sale was a huge success and our Saturday summer hours at City Hall (10-2), drew in lots of new customers. A huge thank you to all the volunteers who have helped out for both, and for their diligence and dedication to the BOOKtique.

Thanks, Michael Peck

#### Special points of interest:

- *FOLOL members receive a 15% discount.*
- *Donate used printer toner & cartridges. Drop off at BOOKtique*
- *FOLOPL at 10/7 Saturday Market at the City of Lake Oswego Public Library Booth*

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We are excited to be awarded the Neighborhood Fave 2023 on NEXTDOOR! Read more at:

<https://nextdoor.com/pages/booktique-lake-oswego-or/>

Thank you for your support.



## BOOKtique featured on PDX Today



### The Booktique, Lake Oswego

The Friends of the Lake Oswego Public Library group runs this nonprofit, which has two locations. All of the books are donated, with something for everyone – from children’s classics and graphic novels to rare books and Westerns <https://pdxtoday.6amcity.com/city/portland-used-bookstores>

### City Hall Mural: *Ms. Willie’s Dream*

While you visit the BOOKtique City Hall location, take a look at the first City Hall Mural called Ms. Willie’s Dream. It refers to Willie Poinsette, founder of Respond to Racism, and depicts a dream of hers with children of every color and race playing with each other.

And it’s on the outside wall, on 3rd Street, right under the BOOKtique’s childrens’ section.

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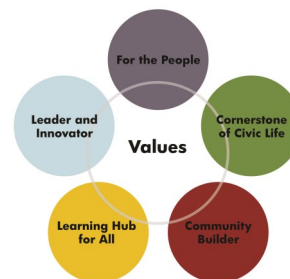


## LIBRARY VISIONING RESULTS

To support the Lake Oswego City Council’s goal to determine the long-term needs of the Lake Oswego Public Library, the City launched a Library Visioning Process.

The goals of the visioning process were:

- Create a shared community vision for the future of Lake Oswego Public Library
- Understand residents' current and future needs for library services, facilities, and amenities
- Determine the Library’s role to address community challenges and meet emerging needs



From January to May 2023, the process included interviews with over 100 key informants, four Task Force sessions, four focus groups, five community forums, 2,790 survey responses and 184 additional comments. Thank you to everyone who participated!

Through the data collected, community feedback, and work of the Library Visioning Task Force, a framework was created. [This framework](#) defines the community values related to the Library, the desired roles and preferred future of the Library, and outlines desired attributes of a physical space to support that vision.

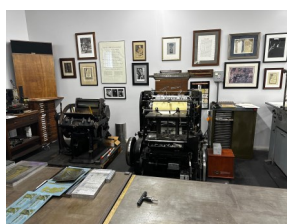
The framework will help the City with decisions related to expanding and investing in Library services, programs, and amenities in alignment with the community’s vision. The City Council reviewed the findings and recommendations during the [July 18, 2023 City Council meeting](#).

As a part of this work, the City is exploring service models for enhancing access, program offerings, and service delivery. This work includes developing a strategic plan for the Library informed by the community visioning process. Stay tuned for progress updates during winter 2023-24.

For more information and to review the full framework and engagement findings report, visit [www.lakeoswego.city/LibraryVisioning](http://www.lakeoswego.city/LibraryVisioning) or email [LibraryVisioning@lakeoswego.city](mailto:LibraryVisioning@lakeoswego.city).



## Photos from August 19th Wine & Cheese and Print Tour Fundraiser



**Friends of the Lake Oswego Public Library**  
[www.friendslopl.org](http://www.friendslopl.org)

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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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.*

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### 4 Monroe Parkway, Suite D

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

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