



Focus on Friends

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Hop into the Spring Book Sale

The Spring Book Sale starts on Saturday, April 17 at 10:00 AM. FOBL members can begin shopping at 9:00 AM. The bag sale was very successful in January with over 300 bags sold so it will be back from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM on April 18. A bag of books costs only \$3 on Sunday.

Look for the signs that point to the location of the sale in the basement of the Library Administration Building at 507 NW Wall Street. There will be free books at the sale.

The Spring Silent Auction will have 22 books that are rare or hard to find. Most starting bids will be \$10. These will be

displayed at the Bend Public Library starting April 1. This is a great way to buy a unique book at a low price.

During winter we received donations of large print books. Many people were asking about these at the winter sale and we now have a large section with over 200 recent novels in large print and near mint condition.

For more information please contact Rob Byrd, FOBL's Book Sales Chair, at the sale, or via email (robertbyrd@bendbroadband.com) or phone (541-389-1622).

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Clear your shelves!

If you need to clear out some bookcases before you bring home new treasures from the Spring Book Sale, then it's probably time to donate them to Friends of the Bend Library. Find out how and where to donate books, CD's, DVD's, LP's, and sheet music by reading the article on page 4.



President's Message

By Meredith Shadrach

Spring has sprung, the grass has riz, I wonder where the flowers is?" I write that old (poorly spelled) rhyme on one of our fabulous sixty-degree days when you see more bicyclists than ski racks, but nary a crocus in sight! I've come to the conclusion that the real blooms in Bend are the library lovers: people who support their local branch by donating time or money, or just **using** it like crazy.

We, on the Friends Board love the library's new brand, new logo, new website (even those cute new library cards that go on your keychain!) and hope you do too. There is so much excitement in the Bend Library with these changes, not to mention all the lobby improvements. Even if you don't have children, you should check out the changes

in the Children's Section--this remodeling is being paid for by **your** donations to the Friends.

We also donate towards the amazing Novel Idea program. If you haven't read *The Help* yet, I heartily recommend it. Getting to see author Kathryn Stockett at the height of her best-seller stardom will be a treat for all book lovers. Kudos to the Deschutes Public Library Foundation for this program (and I'm not just saying that because they have asked the FOBL to send a representative to their meetings.) We hope for lots of opportunities to work together with their volunteers, all to serve the library better.

To piggyback on the library's theme, "Know More", I urge you to "Know Volunteering" and "Know Friends." We **know** you'll like it!



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Silent auction has treasures

Don't miss the Spring Silent Auction during the FOBL book sale on April 17 and 18. Auction items include many unique and rare books. There are several books about Oregon, one by Hemingway, some about the US Navy, and even Mother Goose and Peter Pan. Some books are signed by the author. Don't miss the opportunity to add one of these treasures to your collection.

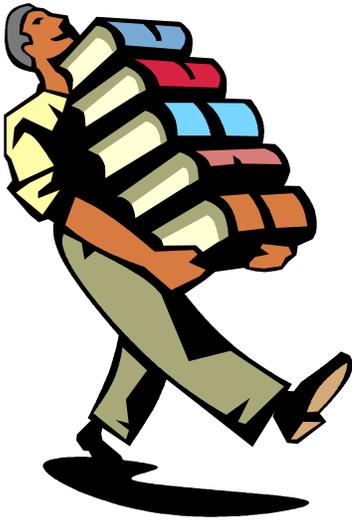
Watch your email for the auction catalog with descriptions and pictures, as well as guidelines on how to bid.



Book sale

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Spring Sale Highlights



- Many books of all types of music from jazz to rock and roll. Learn the history of the artists and the songs of America.
- Five shelves of horticulture books including gardening, pest control, medicinal plants, and many more
- Many like-new reference books donated by the library on subjects such as quotations, history, mythology, religion, Japanese letters, art, Shakespeare, literature, and many more subjects
- A large section on local topics and local authors, many signed by the authors.
- The most pocket and hardbound mysteries books we have ever displayed, many by difficult to find authors.
- Many new military books in the Specials section.
- Recently released musical CD's from new and local artists
- Recently donated classical, disco, R & R, and R & B on LP records
- A large assortment of movie DVD's
- A large section of audio books on CD's and cassettes including complete sets of CD's of Harry Potter and Stephenie Meyer books
- Great selection of children classics books and current best sellers
- Recently released popular novels from the library that are half-priced
- A large section of recently published books that are currently at book stores and big box stores. Authors include Alexander McCall Smith, Jodi Picoult, Bernhard Schlink, Stephenie Meyer, Ann Patchett, and many more.



Donate used books to FOBL

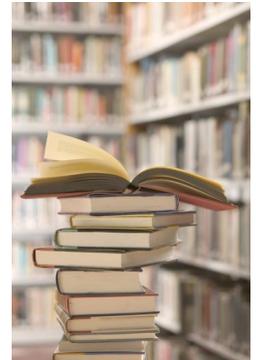
If spring cleaning is on your to-do list, then gather all of those books, DVD's, CD's, records and sheet music that you no longer want and donate them to FOBL for their quarterly book sales. The money raised is used by the Friends to fund library improvements. Donations are tax deductible.

Fewer than ten items can be dropped off at the front desk of the Bend Library. Larger donations must be brought to the delivery door on the west side of the Bend Library, Monday – Friday from 10 AM to 3 PM. Ring the bell for assistance.

If you have a large amount of materials in good condition to donate, arrangements can be made for pick up at your home. Please call Rob at 541-389-1622 or email robertbyrd@bendbroadband.com

Donations requested

- Books
- Children's Books
- Vinyl Records
- CD's
- DVD's
- Sheet Music



We do NOT accept

- Damaged, dirty or damp items
- Old magazines or newspapers
- Puzzles, games or toys
- Textbooks
- Catalogs

New exhibit is on display

*by Denise Mahoney and Laurel Francis,
art committee co-chairs*

On February 3, the "My Favorite Subject" exhibit was hung in the Bend Library. It is a nice variety of subjects and media and will be on display until April 26.

On April 27 (between 3 and 6 PM in the

Hutchinson Room) we'll be accepting work for the "Keeping It Cool" exhibit that will be hung from April 28 until August 2.

The Art Committee is looking for more volunteers to help with the artwork.



New board members are on board

My name is Sue Hagner and I am the Publicity/Website Chair for the 2010 Board of the Friends of the Bend Library. My husband and I have recently retired from the business world and have lived in Bend since February 2009. We are really enjoying it here. With seven dog parks, our black lab, Grace, really likes it here, also. Our two cats don't particularly care where we are, as long as they get fed.

I have been active in Friends groups in several parts of the country for over 30 years and I am looking forward to working with this group that has such a strong core of volunteers.



I'm Laurie Olson, the new treasurer for FOBL. I am excited to have joined such a caring and giving group of folks and hope that I can help the Friends continue to contribute to the success of our wonderful Bend Library.

My husband Dick and I retired to Bend in June 2004. We moved here from the Bay Area, but our careers took us from Washington and Delaware to North Carolina and California. Dick was an engineer for DuPont Co. for 36 years, while I was always in the dental field. For the last 8 years before retiring, I had my own practice management consulting business, which included training offices on several highly technical computer software systems.

Our family consists of 5 adult children and 4 grandchildren, who live in Tampa, Boston, Salt Lake City, Seattle, and Bend. We spend a lot of time traveling!

We love our life in Bend! We are active in several community organizations, especially Newcomers of Bend and Central Oregon Fly Fishers. We downhill ski, snowshoe, hike, bike, kayak, play tennis, and "camp" in our 37-foot motor home with our fun-loving yellow lab, crazy Daisy.

I look forward to meeting many more members of the Friends soon. See you at the library!



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New board members

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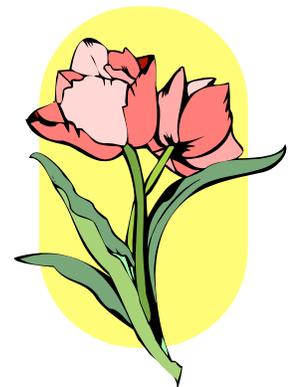
Sally Griffin is the new member-at-large on the Friends of the Bend Library board. She also helps out in the Book Cellar sorting and shelving books to get them ready for the quarterly sales.

About FOBL

The Friends of the Bend Library is a non-profit organization that supports, enhances, and promotes the Bend Branch of the Deschutes Public Library District. Fundraising projects include quarterly book sales, revenue from the Friendshop in the library lobby, income from the FOBL membership dues, and projects for special library related causes. It has funded projects such as purchasing workstations for the handicapped in the library, assisting with children's and young adult programming, and organizing and hanging quarterly art exhibits.

BOARD MEMBERS

President	Meredith Shadrach	541-678-5717
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Staff Liaison	Heather McNeil	



Questions? Please leave a message on the Friendshop phone (541-617-7047) and a volunteer will return your call within a few days.



Mission accomplished

By Clairece Brickell

Have you noticed the table outside the Friendship? It has been full of the most wonderful items.

In January, the table held free videos that our volunteers gave away during the FOBL book sale. Some people found children's videos; others took home movies for the older folks. Everyone had new or old favorite movies to watch. We gave away many boxes of videos.

► **Mission accomplished.**

In February, the table held children's books with a 1-cent price tag. Many children said that they now have books of their own to put on their toy shelves.

► **Mission accomplished.**

The end of February and March the wonderful table held a great selection of 10-cent paperback books. People were glad to see cheaper paperbacks to take on planes or on vacation and not worry about bringing them back. Even a few homeless men pick up a book and said it was nice to have a book to read where ever they spent the night.

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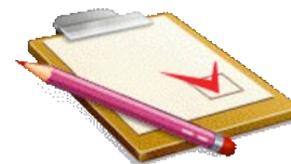
Many people came into the Friendship for the first time and said they would be back to look around or buy one of the great items. They found the shop and found a bargain at the same time. All

proceeds from the Friendship go to library projects and that is what the Friendship is all about.

► **Mission accomplished.**

If you want to join the fun and have 6 hours a month to donate, we could use you in the Friendship to help sell the cards, gently used books, items on the table out front, and many other reading items for children. Come into the shop and pick up a volunteer application, and bring it back to the shop or drop it off at the circulation desk of the Bend Library. A volunteer will check your references and train you right away. Our volunteers are very dedicated, like to meet people, and give back to the library by volunteering. If the Friendship were open from 10:30 until 4:30 Monday thru Friday and for 3 hours every Saturday, we could say. . .

► **Mission accomplished.**



Keep an eye on the table between the two doors of the Bend Library. There may be something there for you and you will discover how great the Friendship is and what great items we sell.

