

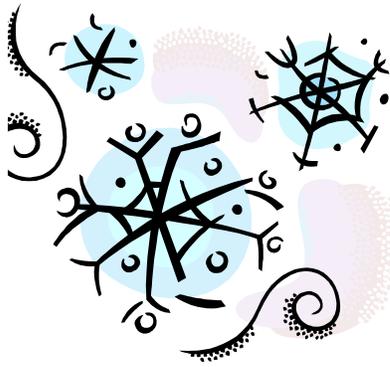


# Focus on Friends

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## Winter book sale offers bargains



The Winter Book Sale is Saturday, January 23 at 10:00 AM. FOBL members can enter at 9:00 AM. We will again have a bag sale from 1 pm to 4 pm on Sunday January 24. A bag of books can be purchased on Sunday only for \$3.

The location for the sale is in the Library Annex Cellar next the Bend Public Library on Wall Street. There will be free books and VHS videos at the sale. Watch for the signs.

We have received so many large donations from

individuals and the Bend Library that we had to add over 50 shelves just to accommodate the new books. Don't miss the sale and this great selection of books.

We quadrupled our space for recent editions. Some of these recently published books are currently featured in local book and big box stores. There are many J.K. Rowling and Stephenie Meyers books. All are priced to sell.

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## Annual meeting announced

The annual meeting of The Friends of the Bend Library will be at 6:30 pm on January 11, 2010 in the Brooks Room of the Bend Library.

There will be refreshments and a short business meeting during which new board members for 2010 will be elected.

The guest speaker will be Sandy Irwin, Bend Library branch manager and assistant director of library experience.

Don't miss this opportunity to chat with the FOBL board members.



## President's Message

*By Meredith Shadrach*

Happy New Year to all the Friends of the Bend Library! I write this shortly after the December deep freeze in Bend, a week when we enjoyed an impressive turnout by our volunteers for both a Book Cellar event and two tree-trimming dates. I call that a perfect example of "cold hands, warm hearts!"

It has been a real pleasure to work with the Friends and the library staff over this past year, and the plans for 2010 will keep us all busy. We on the Board are especially proud of the funding we've been able to provide the Bend Library this year. There are beautiful shelving units for CDs and "recent bestsellers" that were purchased by the Friends. We paid for the "Stories at Sunset" summer series, and the books for the Teen Summer Reading Program. The winter break singer, Janelly Bean, came courtesy of Friends funding. As you look at the wonderful painted windows (done twice a year) think again, "That's from the Friends, too."

One of our most appreciated projects began this year, due to a suggestion from circulation staff: the big blue cloth tote bags. We're extending this into 2010,

because we want every patron with a big armful of books to get a "I Love My Library" bag, subsidized by the Friends. In keeping of our mission to support and promote the library we were the largest donor to the Central Oregon Early Literacy Conference held in May, and our Outreach dollars also assisted both the Library Foundation's Novel Idea Program and the Start Making a Reader Today (SMART) Program.

I hope to meet you in person at the annual meeting. We will serve wonderful refreshments provided by staff, new board members to introduce and vote in, plus a sneak peek at some of the incredible Book Cellar finds that will be in our January silent auction. I hope to see you on the 11<sup>th</sup>, or (better yet) at the meeting AND the book sale January 23 and 24. Don't let the cold weather keep you away; we've got warm hands to shake!




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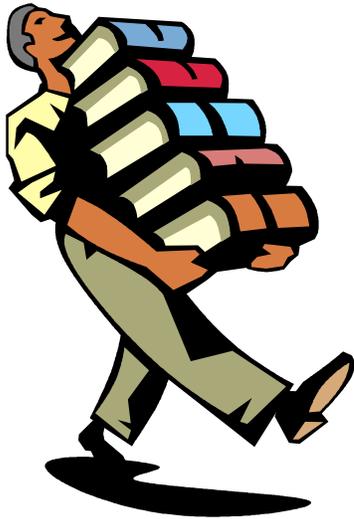
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## Book sale

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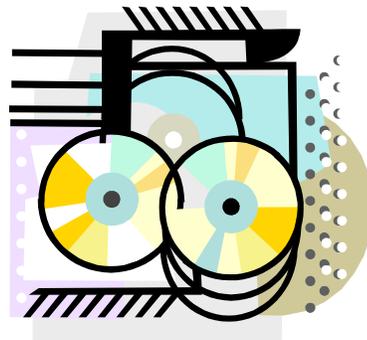
### Winter Sale Highlights



- Brand new books on trucks, automotive, aviation and earth moving equipment
- Expanded science fiction section
- Large Quilting/Sewing section
- Hundreds of out of print books on poetry, plays and short stories
- Local topics and local authors
- Many hard to find biographies
- Out of print antiquarian books
- New rock and roll, jazz and pop CD's
- Over two boxes of new LP records
- Large assortment of movie DVD's
- Horse training books
- Audio books on CDs and tapes, including a complete set of CD's on *Lord of the Rings*
- Great selection of children's classic books and current best sellers
- New books in Mystery/Suspense/Thriller section
- Great selection in Hardback Novels
- Many new life science, computer and physical science books
- Recently released popular novels from the library that are half-priced.

Remember, this sale will include a silent auction. See related article on page 4.

For more information please contact Rob Byrd, book sales chair, at the sale, or via email ([robertbyrd@bendbroadband.com](mailto:robertbyrd@bendbroadband.com)) or phone (389-1622).



## FOBL holds first silent auction

By Robert Byrd

Friends of the Bend Library will introduce an exciting opportunity to buy some rare and unique books and treasures during the January book sale. The FOBL has received donations of beautiful and antiquarian books. We want to give you the chance to bid on these for your collections.

In a future newsletter, we will give a more detailed descriptions and information on the silent auction bidding process. This is an exciting opportunity to own books that are rare and valuable.

The books will be on display during January in a Bend Public library display case. Final bidding will occur on Saturday and Sunday January 23 and 24 at the book sale.

### Silent Auction Sneak Peek

- ❖ Memories of the Rat Pack
- ❖ Civil War Souvenirs
- ❖ Books from the 1800's
- ❖ Norman Rockwell
- ❖ Space Exploration
- ❖ Romeo Where Art Thou
- ❖ Signed Jane Eayre Fryer
- ❖ Quilting 1929
- ❖ History of Oregon
- ❖ Alice in Wonderland
- ❖ Rare Lithographs

## Mitten tree provides warmth for kids

Every year the Friends of the Bend Library sponsors a mitten tree in the library lobby where library patrons can donate gloves/mittens, scarves and hats for needy elementary school children. The need seems even greater this year so your contribution will be much appreciated. The mitten tree will be up until January 6, 2010, in order to provide as many children with warm outerwear as possible. There is still time to donate. You might even find some real bargains at the after-Christmas sales.



## Friendship has open house and sale

By Clairece Brickell

*“Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.”*

-Melody Beattie

We at the Friendship are very grateful for the support of our customers. The profits from your sales go to the Bend Library to help fund the programs that you enjoy during the year. Next year the Friends will help with many more projects and programs.

We are also grateful for our dedicated volunteers who have kept the shop open almost every working day during the year. They show up with a friendly smile and are eager to answer questions. One of our volunteers donated 39 shifts of her time. She not only helps customers in the shop but also helps shelve books for the book sales. Thanks, Amy.

Keep Monday, January 25 open because it is a big day at the library and in the Friendship. The library is unveiling a new look—new logo, new web page and new promotional materials. The Friendship will be open all day serving cookies and having special sales. Children’s books with stars on their spines will be selling for one penny. Yes, only **one cent**. There will also be a sale area with items marked at 50% off. Maybe there is something in the shop that you have been eyeing for a

long time. Come and see if it is on sale!

The new year brings change to a lot of our lives and if you find yourself with time on your hands, consider volunteering with a great group of people. There are morning and afternoon shifts available. Call the Friendship at 617-7047 or ask one of the volunteers for an application. It is a simple process and after we check references, you can begin working right away. This is a great way to give back to the library that has been a mainstay for most of our families.

Again, we are very grateful for your support. Have a healthy, peaceful new year.



## Photography and books on display

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

On November 4 the Art of Photography Exhibit was hung and will be up until February 1, 2010. There are 28 photographs by 15 photographers of all kinds of subjects.

Art Committee member, Rosalyn Kliot, arranged a handcrafted book exhibit for the cabinets by the reference desk. There are 15 wonderfully creative books

by four artists. The variety of materials and types of enclosures are really wonderfully imaginative.

In mid December the next prospectus went out for our February 3 to April 26, 2010 exhibit, "My Favorite Subject", which will give participating artists an opportunity to be creative with whatever subject and medium they love the most.

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



## Thank you, Friends

Hello Friends. I am the staff liaison to the Friends of the Bend Library, which is a role I greatly enjoy. I thought I'd take a moment to tell you why this responsibility is such a pleasure for me.

My day job is being manager of the Children's Department at the Bend Library, as well as youth services coordinator for the library district. My office is in the Bend Children's Department, and as I sit here I look out into a room filled with extras that make this area so enriching for the parents, children, teachers, and care providers who visit. What is important for you to know is that all those extras were paid for by the generosity of the Friends.

Currently, our large south window is covered with a delightful painting of a mother raccoon on a rocking chair, snuggled under a quilt with her little one. Together they are enjoying a book while snow falls outside, and raccoon snow people are seen in the distance. The illustration is from *If I Could* by Susan Milord, and is the logo for our early literacy campaign, "Read, Rhyme and Romp: the Three R's to Grow a Reader." The painting was done by Diana Popp, paid for by Y-O-U.

Below the window is what we call the Family Space. It is filled with squishy teddy bears and manipulative toys to entertain our youngest visitors. Above, painted on the ceiling, is a sky full of clouds that, upon reflection, become a train, a dragon, a spider, and other misty creations.

Soon to be hung on the brick walls are original drawings created for the library by children's book illustrators Janet Stevens and Todd Parr, two of our past StoryStars performers. All of this family-friendly ambience was paid for by Y-O-U.

I also see display shelves that feature books for families to read aloud together. Shelving paid for by, you guessed it—Y-O-U. I see children of all ages at the Internet and Story Station computers with quality headsets paid for by—need I say it again? And every week at Toddlin' Tales Story Time and Baby Steps Story Time we have the joy of using early literacy and alphabet toys to enhance our fun with letters and rhymes. Guess who paid for them?

And this is just the children's department. If you're in the teen area you'll see cool furniture paid for by the Friends. During the summer, every teen who joins our summer reading program receives a free book paid for by the Friends. In the adult area, there are display and CD shelves, sturdily built by our contracted carpenter, Alan Petrich, and paid for by the Friends. Simply put, we wouldn't be the library that we are without Y-O-U. You make the difference so that we can present a library that is welcoming and comfortable, and the library staff can proudly work toward enriching the lives of our customers. Thank you, thank you, and thank you again.

Heather McNeil



## Renew membership now

By Josie Lancaster, Membership Chair

Thanks to all of you who have renewed memberships in Friends of the Bend Library for 2010 and welcome all new members.

These are challenging times and more than ever, our library needs our help and support. Different library departments have given us their requests for the coming year and, as always, we are more than happy to help them achieve their goals. As you know, the level of Friends' support of library programs depends on funds raised through memberships, Friendship proceeds, book sales proceeds and donations.

We hope that you will want to be a partner in making sure that the Bend Public Library remains a vital community resource. Urge your friends, relatives and neighbors to become members of the Friends of the Bend Library.

We all love bargains and the Friends' book sales (four per year) are the best bargain in town. As a member, of course, you get to browse one hour before the sale is open to the public. Make sure you're ready for our first great book sale in January – renew or join now.



Make check payable to: **FRIENDS OF BEND LIBRARY**  
Indicate **Membership Level** on "memo" line  
Mail to: **601 NW Wall Street, Bend, OR 97701**

2010 membership expires 12/31/2010

## Membership Application Form

(Personal data for the use of FOBL may, if needed, be shared with the Deschutes Public Library & Deschutes Public Library Foundation)

Membership Level (circle one)

**Student** \$5/person    **Senior** \$5/person    **Individual** \$10/person    **Family** \$15/one address

**Contributor** \$25    **Sponsor** \$50    **Patron** \$100    **Benefactor** \$250+

YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Call me to **HELP** with (circle 1 or more): *Friendship, Book Sales, Membership, Newsletter, Website, Other*

OFFICE USE ONLY: date rec'd \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cash, Ck# \_\_\_\_\_ NEW Renewal Initials \_\_\_\_\_

