



Between Friends

Giving Thanks



The Ex Libris Team from left to right: Nancy Kaems, Joanne Long, Gay Schilhab. Second row: Dolores Philpot, Janetta Baker, Joan Worley, and Suzanne Ensslin. Not pictured: Barbara Zurl.

By Barbara Zurl

In a matter of weeks we will be sitting down watching the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, enjoying a traditional turkey dinner with all

the fixings and getting ready for football. For me this is the most wonderful day of the year! Its similarity year after year is reassuring. It brings back

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Friends of Library Week

By official proclamation on August 12, 2013, Governor Bill Haslam declared that the week of October 20-26, 2013 shall be FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY WEEK in Tennessee. This is in honor and recognition of the work of the Friends, their many hours of dedicated service, and the support they give to the libraries of our state. In his proclamation, the Governor specifically states the Friends groups "promote the joys and benefits of citizens' literacy, learning and economic well-being by investing time and effort in raising supplementary funds to enhance libraries resources and programming" and that the "gifts of time and commitment by Friends of Libraries in Tennessee set a positive example of civic engagement that benefits both volunteers and their communities."

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Plan now to attend the

BCFOL Fall

Book Sale!

Oct. 17th-19th!

A Letter from the President

Summer has passed and so it is time to prepare for cooler weather.

I want to thank each one of you for your generous response to the Friends appeal for membership renewal. The Blount County Library in Maryville to me is the most beautiful, efficient and successful library in Tennessee. Shortly after I moved here, I became familiar with our library, and I determined to reveal the rich resources our library provides for our community.

Our main mission is to recruit funds to support the activities of the library.

Poet John Milton gave us the phrase, "When I consider how my life is spent." The elderly Milton wrote those words as he was going blind. He looked back on his life and pondered how he spent his time. Let's examine how we spend our time.

John wrote "In a lifetime today's average person spends..."

- *We sit six months sitting at traffic lights*
- *We spend eight months opening junk mail*
- *We endure a whole year searching through desk clutter*



Jerry Wagner, President

- *We spend two years trying to call people who are not available*
- *We suffer three years in meetings*
- *We stand five years waiting in lines*

Friends are a necessary part of life for institutions as well as for people. Support and recognition are important elements of any friendship. The basic assumption is that organized Friends of the Library can and should supply these elements to the library and represent the library to its community.

Changes in public attitudes toward government spending have brought intense pressures to bear upon library budgets. At the same time the

value of many endowments has diminished to unforeseen lows. In many cases Friends of the Library, by mounting advocacy campaigns, raising funds from private sources, or providing volunteer labor, have made it possible for the library to continue services that would otherwise have been eliminated.

Each Friend is a walking public relations vehicle for the library to its community. Each event, media mention, public activity, advocacy effort or community involvement adds to the library's stature.

I personally would encourage each one of you to renew your membership when it is due and if you can, volunteer in an area that might fit your desires.

Obituary

Janice Lee White, 74, of Maryville, passed away Thursday, Sept. 12, 2013, at Blount Memorial Hospital. She was a member of Victory Baptist Church, and an active volunteer with the Friends of the Blount County Library for many years. She was an LPN employed at Maryville Health Care until her retirement in 2001. Janice will be missed by the many people who knew her.

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If you don't have a Facebook account visit our Web Site: www.bcfol.org and click on link!

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Janetta Baker



Suzanne Ensslin



Joanne Long



Dolores Philpot



Gaylynn Schilhab



Joan Worley



Barbara Zurl

memories of days gone by in places long changed. For those memories I am thankful. It also conjures up Currier and Ives images of pale yellow farm houses, with long porches stacked with wood. Trees are bare and usually there is snow on the ground – those are my Thanksgiving memories from childhood. So what a joy for me to learn that one of my favorite holiday songs turns out to be one not associated with Christmas at all, but rather, with Thanksgiving. We know it as “Over the River and Through the Woods” but in actuality it is called “The New England Boy’s Song about Thanksgiving Day”, a poem written by Lydia Maria Child in 1802. If it were not for a little thing called Ex Libris I probably would never have learned this. For Ex Libris I am thankful.

Twice a month a dedicated team of 8 women deliver a total of 16 programs to local senior communities. The day can be scorching hot, dripping humid, pouring down rain, snowy, blowy or just down right miserable. It matters not – the Team delivers. For these women, I am thankful – for without them thousands of people would not have the opportunity to spend some time in a life enriching program; learning, laughing, sharing, remembering.

Our team consists of Janetta Baker,

Suzanne Ensslin, Nancy Kaems, Joanne Long, Dolores Philpot, Gay Schilhab, Joan Worley and Barbara Zurl. Here is what they say they are thankful for in being part of the Ex Libris (Friends From the Library) project:

Janetta Baker: “It has to be how much I learn from the residents. I go in thinking I am teaching them something, and always walk away feeling I learned far more than I taught.”

Suzanne Ensslin: “I always look forward to seeing all the smiling faces and the sharing of laughter.”

Nancy Kaems: “For me, it is the joy of knowing that the folks have a sincere interest in the presentations and that they take enjoyment from them.”

Joanne Long: “Sharing – through Ex Libris our life experiences are shared through songs, pictures and reading. Nothing moves me more than seeing their smiling faces and listening to their heartfelt stories. I know that for one hour I have made a difference.”

Dolores Philpot: “FUN! Ex Libris provides me with the opportunity to share time and stories with so many people – and we genuinely have fun together.”

Gaylynn Schilhab: “I’ve always felt it to be a win-win situation – for

the residents who attend the programs and for the Team members who deliver them. Ex Libris provides an excellent avenue to exercise my mind and add to my own store of knowledge.”

Joan Worley: “I’m most thankful for the friends I have made through Ex Libris and for the delightful people I’ve met delivering programs who were met as strangers and have since become friends.”

Though none of us were born and raised here in East Tennessee, Blount County is now our home and its residents our neighbors. To those fine folks in various senior communities who invite us into their “homes”, we are indeed thankful.

For more information about this program please contact **Barbara Zurl**, Program Coordinator at 865-977-5034 or e-mail at badger630@aol.com.

Find a collectible
book at the
Fall Book Sale on
Oct. 17th-19th!

See page 6 for a listing
of material that will
be available.



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Friends of Tennessee Libraries and local friends of library groups across the state are dedicated to the support of libraries as institutions essential to democracy and life-long learning; and

WHEREAS, friends groups advocate for funding that will equip libraries with the necessary print and electronic materials, expert assistance in research, and services for all ages from the very young to the senior citizen; and

WHEREAS, friends groups promote the joys and benefits of citizens' literacy, learning, and economic well-being by investing time and effort in raising supplementary funds to enhance libraries resources and programming; and

WHEREAS, Friends groups also volunteer many hours of work to help libraries provide services and materials to their patrons; and

WHEREAS, the gifts of time and commitment by Friends of Libraries in Tennessee set a positive example of civic engagement that benefits both volunteers and their communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the state of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim October 20-26, 2013, as

Friends of Libraries Week

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this twelfth day of August, 2013.

Bill Haslam

Governor

Joe Rye

Secretary of State

Friends of the Library Book Discussion Group

By Vivian Selecman

The Friends of the Library Book Discussion Group will be reading the following books this year:

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| August 14 | "A Town Like Alice", Nevil Shute |
| September 11 | "Flight Behavior", Barbara Kingsolver |
| October 9 | "Call the Midwife", Jennifer Worth |
| November 13 | "The Girls of Atomic City", Denise Kiernan |
| December 11 | "Out of Order", Sandra Day O'Connor |
| January 8 | "A Year in the South 1865", Stephen V. Ash |
| February 12 | "The Light Between Oceans", M.L. Stedman |
| March 12 | "Love in a Headscarf", Shelina Zahra Janmohamed |
| April 9 | "Song Without Words", Gerald Shea |
| May 14 | "And the Mountains Echoed", Khaled Hosseini |
| June 11 | "German Boy", Wolfgang W.E. Samuel |

Guidelines for Making Book Donations

Public donations are the main source of books which allow the Friends of the Library (FOL) to host quarterly book sales. We receive discarded books from our public library, schools, churches and individual collections.

Regardless of the source, it is essential that we protect the health and safety of our volunteers and patrons, and the quality of the books we sell. We request that donors comply with the following guidelines:

- We accept books in good condition. Books that are water damaged, smell of tobacco, mold or mildew cannot be accepted.
- Books should be placed in the donation bins outside the library, or if the bins are full, with a staff member at the circulation check-in counter.
- Collections of fewer than 200 books (or about 10 boxes) are the donor's responsibility to deliver to the library. A volunteer should be contacted for collections of over 200 books; the volunteer will assess the collection, and, if acceptable, arrange a mutually convenient pick-up
- To be considerate of our volunteers, collections will not be picked up during holidays or when the library is closed.

To discuss pick-up arrangements for large or unique collections please contact the one of these volunteers:

Primary contact – Larry Moore 233-0459

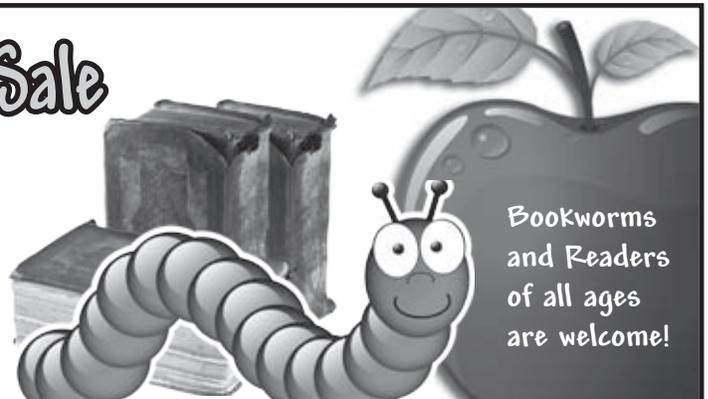
Alternates – Larry Ackley 233-3467 or

Phil Baker 977-1096

2013 BCFOL Fall Book Sale

**Thursday, October 17, Noon to 6 pm
(for Friends of the Library Members Only)**

**Friday, October 18, and
October 19, 9 am to 5 pm.**



Tech Corner

Microsoft Courses offered at Library

Because ARRA grant funds are depleted, all Microsoft multi-session courses offered at the library will have a fee of \$25 per course. Starting in August, these multi-session courses will be taught by Adult Education teachers: Welcome to the World of Computers, Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Publisher. The fee (cash or check only) is due at the first class session. Students need to bring a flash drive (1 Gigabyte or larger) to all classes.

Microsoft Excel 2010, Part 1 – This class is an introduction to Excel 2010. Topics include toolbars/ribbons; navigation; entering text and formulas; editing and viewing worksheets; introduction to formulas and functions; formatting the contents of cells; changing the appearance of worksheets; changing column width and row height; auto complete; fill series; selecting cell ranges; move and copy, shortcuts; inserting/deleting columns and rows; inserting/deleting worksheets; renaming worksheets; and moving worksheets. Cost: \$25 (cash or check only) due at the first class session.

3 Afternoon 2-hour sessions:

Tuesday, Oct. 15 2:00 – 4:00
 Wednesday, Oct. 16 2:00 – 4:00
 Tuesday, Oct. 22 2:00 – 4:00

or 2 Evening 3-hour sessions:

Tuesday, Oct. 15 6:00 – 8:50
 Thursday, Oct. 17 6:00 – 8:50

Microsoft Excel 2010, Part 2 – This class offers a more focused look at Excel 2010. Topics include charting; hiding/unhiding columns and rows; formatting numbers; auto calculate; working with formulas and functions;

troubleshooting formula and function errors; page setup (will include layout, margins, headers/footers, and gridlines); print setup; and printing worksheets. Cost: \$25 (cash or check only) due at the first class session.

3 Afternoon 2-hour sessions:

Tuesday, Oct. 29 2:00 – 4:00
 Wednesday, Oct. 30 2:00 – 4:00
 Tuesday, Nov. 5 2:00 – 4:00

or 2 Evening 3-hour sessions:

Tuesday, Oct. 22 6:00 – 8:50
 Thursday, Oct. 24 6:00 – 8:50

Microsoft PowerPoint 2010 – This class will provide students with the skills needed to produce a professional-looking presentation. Topics include editing, outlining, drawing, graphing, images, and presentation management functions. Cost: \$25 (cash or check only) due at the first class session.

2 Afternoon 2-hour sessions:

Tuesday, Nov. 19 2:00 – 4:00
 Wednesday, Nov. 20 2:00 – 4:00

or 2 Evening 3-hour sessions:

Tuesday, Nov. 19 6:00 – 8:50
 Thursday, Nov. 21 6:00 – 8:50

Microsoft Publisher 2010 – This class will cover topics such as business cards, flyers and signs, calendars, newsletters, pamphlets, certificates, greeting cards, menus, programs, and paper folding projects.

Students need to bring a flash drive (1 Gigabyte or larger) to class. Cost: \$25 (cash or check only) due at the first class session

2 Afternoon 2-hour sessions

Tuesday, Dec. 3 2:00 – 4:00
 Wednesday, Dec. 4 2:00 – 4:00

1 Evening 3-hour session

Tuesday, Dec. 3 6:00 – 8:50

The Collectible Corner

by Penny Myers

COLLECTIBLES FOR THE FALL 2013 SALE

Animals and Plants

Birds
 Silent Spring
 John Muir's Nature Writing

Art and Music

Images of Rock and Roll
 Glen Miller (ten 45's)
 Great Book of Currier and Ives America
 Larousse Encyclopedia of Renaissance and Baroque Art
 Charles M. Russell
 Drawings of Aubrey Beardsley
 Wildlife (Brendeis)

Biography

The Andy Warhol Diaries
 Cottons of Catahoula
 Neyland
 Little Visits with Great Americans
 Pioneer Profiles
 Muhammad Ali Memories
 William Lyon Mackenzie King

Children

Cabbage Moon
 Uncle Wiggily and His Friends
 Dangerous Journey (Pilgrim's Progress)
 Somewhere in Darkness
 Tale Told in Holland
 Beatrix Potter 1866 – 1943
 Set of Bobbsey Twins

Religion

The Buddha's Art of Healing
 The Wesleyan Standards
 Writings of Juniper Serra (3 vol)

Fiction

Sonnets From the Portuguese
 - Browning
 The Cromptons
 Old Man and the Sea

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Books for Soldiers Project

By Vivian Selecman

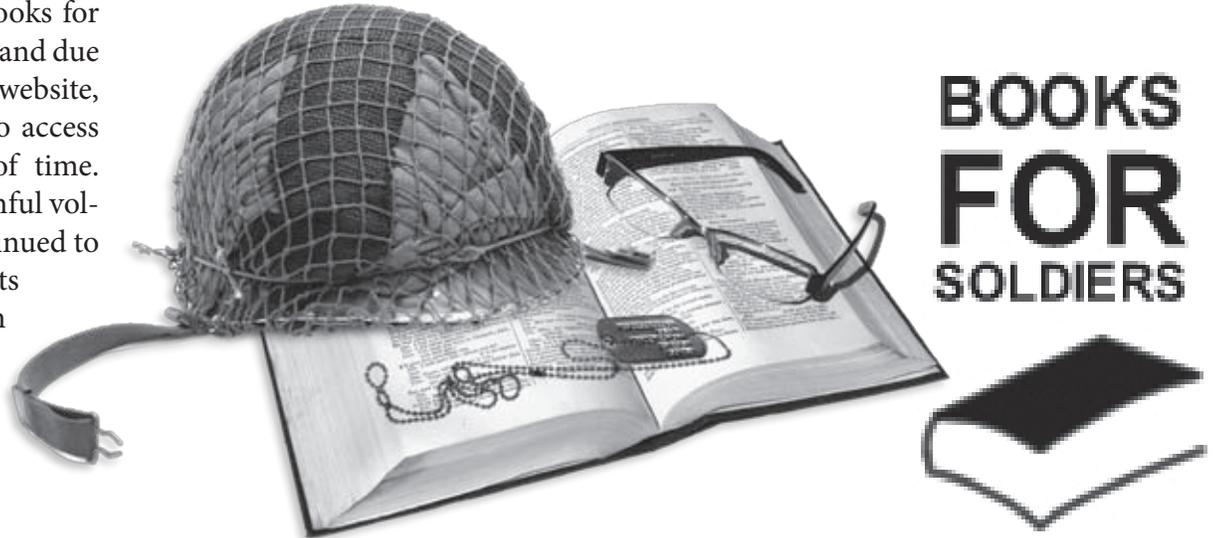
As our troops have withdrawn from Iraq and are in process of withdrawing from Afghanistan, there have been fewer requests for books posted on the "Books for Soldiers" website, and due to changes in the website, we were unable to access it for a period of time. However, our faithful volunteers have continued to fill all the requests that they can from our supplies.

In July and August we sent out 10 boxes

containing a total of 140 books, and now that fall is here we expect to revive our efforts and send more.

If you would like to participate in

or support this service project, please contact the Books for Soldiers Committee Chairperson, Vivian Selecman at Selecman@msn.com.



Fall Donations

- Suzie Cutshall**
- Wayne and Bernice Forshay**
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- June Gerhard**
- Araby Greene**
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- Tim and Leslie Lucas**
- Louis and Marlene Milliken**
- Charles and Micki Puleo and Family**
- Robert Rubright**
- Mary Lou Teffeteller**
- Donald Walker**

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Fiction (cont.)

Ladies Night (Andrews signed copy)
Franklin Library -
20 beautiful classics
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Graphic

Assortment of old Comics
Fantastic Four

History

History of the Grange Movement
History of the Lost State of Franklin
Larousse Encyclopedia of Ancient and Medieval History
Photographic History of the Civil War
Story of Civilization - Durand 11 vols.

Non Fiction

Tents and Saddles in the Holy Land
Antique Tractor's Guide
Speer Manual for Reloading Ammunition
Washington's Home
The Highlanders of Scotland
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