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Kingsport Public Library & Archives

J. Fred Johnson Memorial Library 400 Broad Street Kingsport, TN 37660

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Friends of the Library - Kingsport, Tennessee

November 2012



Book Fair -



Calendar Update & Call for Volunteers

Hopefully, you remember that FOL's Annual Gift to the Library for 2012-2013 is \$25,000 — mostly from Book Fair profits. Book Fair continues to be a good opportunity for FOL to raise additional funds to support significant Annual Gifts to the Library. With the growth of ebooks, Book Fair may not have another 50 years. However, it is not unreasonable to expect 10-15 more successful Book Fairs, if volunteers continue to make it happen.

To make sure Book Fair continues to be a successful fund-raiser for Friends of the Library, we need to continually train volunteers in all aspects of the project. With many volunteers, the duties are fun and fulfilling. With the same volunteers, over and over, the duties become oppressive and overwhelming. Below you will find some volunteer opportunities that might pique your interest. Contact Gail Preslar:

967-7135 or **gail.preslar@gmail.com** to arrange training.

<u>Calendar Update — March 7-10, 2013</u> — Kingsport

Civic Auditorium — mark your 2013 calendar — volunteers needed to staff the sale.

Thursday, March 7: 9 am - end — unload trailer and unbox thousands of books

Thursday, March 7: 5-9 pm — Preview Sale - \$10 admission

Friday, March 8: 9 am - 8 pm — free admission Saturday, March 9: 9 am - 8 pm — free admission Sunday, March 10: 1-5 pm free admission

Sunday, March 10: 5 pm - end — re-box books

<u>Call for Volunteers — pricing or transporting books</u>

Book Fair continues to be blessed with regular donations of quality used books in all categories. The bounty and variety of the donations continues to impress and encourage the regular volunteers. As many of you know, book pricing, sorting, and boxing of these donated books is an ongoing, almost daily process. We are regularly training new volunteers on the process of pricing books. We routinely hold PB-F (paperback - fiction) for novice "pricing" volunteers to have plenty of practice and leave after an hour or so of pricing with a feeling of accomplishment. With the exception of most Mondays, training can be arranged most days to match the volunteer's open time(s). Once a volunteer is trained, he/she can work whenever the Library is open.

After the books are priced, they are boxed by category. We purposely pack the books in smaller, manageable boxes to make sure they are not too heavy for most volunteers to easily move. When 15-20 boxes are ready (approximately weekly), the boxes need to be moved from the Library (3rd floor, Mezzanine Office) to the holding trailer several blocks away, currently behind Still Transfer's office. A van, SUV, or pick-up truck are beneficial (but not a requirement) in moving the boxes. Boxes can be moved anytime the Library is open. Moving boxes is easier when two or more volunteers can work together. However, it can be done solo.

News from Kingsport Public Library

Go mobile with KPL's new app — available through Amazon, Android app stores and iTunes. Search the catalog, place holds or renew items, download e-books and audio books, get directions and hours, scan ISBN numbers in bookstores to see if the library owns the book, find upcoming events or contact the library — conveniently — using the app. During our first month, we had 248 people download our app. This was purchased using the Friends annual gift to the library.

We started a new Saturday preschool story time in September. It's held once a month and will continue through December, at which time staff will evaluate the success of the Saturday program to determine if we will continue it.

Remember to check out our monthly free movies! December's movie will be Sunday, December 16 at 2:30 pm - Love, Actually. Rated R. It's a British comedy, set in London before Christmas, about love as experienced by a variety of people. Starring Hugh Grant, Liam Neeson, Colin Firth and Kiera Knightley.

The library has a new mascot, "Sport", a cute stuffed dog wearing a sweater with the library's logo. For a minimum donation of \$12.00 — you can purchase one at the circulation desk. We selected a dog as our mascot because of our popular and effective doggie volunteer program where children read aloud, one-on-one, to a certified therapy dog (we now have 11 volunteer dogs). This program has increased the reading level of children, their grades, and has even transformed an autistic boy who had no interest in reading into a big reader. Follow Sport on our new twitter account — he travels throughout the library — and many other places, too!

Friends of the Archives

The Friends of the Archives Annual Meeting and Betty Gibson Memorial Lecture was presented on Thursday, October 4 at the Kingsport Public Library Mead Auditorium. Kingsport native Virgealia "Jill" Ellis presented her "Rotherwood Memories" program. The Friends hosted a reception at 6:00 pm with the program following at 6:30 pm. The event was free and open to the public.

In other Archives news, work continues on processing the Spoden Collection. It should be open to researchers by the end of the year. Friends of the Archives recently purchased a new scanner, and volunteers have been busy helping to digitize collections to add to the ever-growing online database at: www.kingsportlibrary.org/archives.

The Archives has a traveling exhibit now on display in the Kingsport Improvement Building at 201 W. Market Street.

FOL Endowment Fund

An endowment fund is an investment fund set up by an institution in which regular withdrawals from the invested capital are used for ongoing operations or other specified purposes. Nonprofits, universities, hospitals, and churches often use endowment funds. They are funded by donations, which are tax deductible for donors.

We invite you to make a donation to the Friends of the Library endowment fund. It is an excellent way to remember or honor someone who had a love for books. All donations are tax deductible and will be used for the betterment of our local library.

Most Popular Books on LitLovers.com

- 1. Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand
- 2. State of Wonder by Ann Patchett
- 3. **Defending Jacob** by William Landay
- 4. Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine Brooks
- 5. Major Pettigrew's Last Stand by Helen Simonson
- 6. **Cutting for Stone** by Abraham Verghese
- 7. Paris Wife by Paula McLain
- 8. **Tiger's Wife** by Tea Obreht
- 9. The Help by Kathryn Stockett

The Public Library's Role Today, Tomorrow and the Future

Today, we're living in a digital world where many people have made a tremendouw change in the way they receive news, research information and read books. Technology now plays a key part in how we learn. It's no longer about just reading a physical copy of a newspaper, magazine or book. Digital information is readily available on the Internet, e-books, cell phones and other mobile devices.

One thing that has not changed is the public library's role in continuing to be the community hub in providing

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free access to all types of information. Kingsport Public Library has made progress in providing digital tools that help people connect and learn. E-books, an app for mobile devices, and Wi-Fi are just a few of examples of how our Library is working toward meeting the changing needs of our community. Whether you desire traditional services or prefer digital tools, you can count on the helpful resources of our library.

We know that new technology will shape future learning, and we believe it is extremely important for Kingsport Public Library to continue offering a wide variety of materials and services for all age groups. As Friends of the Library (FOL), we support library services and tools that benefit the community. With all of us pulling together, Kingsport Public Library can continue to offer more services and programs to help educate the public and broaden access to knowledge.

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Annual Memberhip Fees:

Bookworm (Individual)	\$10
Avid Readers (Family)	\$20
Author (Sponsor)	\$30
Collector (Patron)	\$50
Scholar (Benefactor)	\$100+
Publisher (Organization)	\$200+

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