



RED WING FOL

October 2017 – December 2017

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Book Sale News

The Friends of the Red Wing Library Almost New/Gently Used Book Sale will be held in the Community Room of the library on Friday, October 13 from 10:00 to 5:00 and Saturday, October 14 from 9:00 to 2:00. This sale will also include a Holiday section. Volunteers will be needed on October 12 at 1:00 for set up. To prepare for the sale, the FOL will NOT accept donated books the week of October 9 through October 14. Donations may be made again starting on October 16. The next FOL book sale will take place in April, 2018. You may want to donate your used books to another charity until next 2018 begins. Thank you. If you would like to help or have questions, please contact Judie Bowes, Book Sale Chairman, (judieb42@gmail.com) or 651-380-9619.

Library History Project

In 2013, the Red Wing Public Library Board inherited an incomplete history of our library. Funds are being sought to not only complete the manuscript but to improve it. The final goal is to publish a booklet (approximately 70 pages) covering the history of the library from its start as a Carnegie Library in the late 1800s to the present day. The booklet would not only detail changes to the buildings, staff and community, but also highlight how our library functions as a community center. The booklet will contain many photographs and be sprinkled throughout with candid and informative anecdotes. The library board is seeking funding for this project. The Friends of the Red Wing Library will be considering helping with funding. The FOL is currently assessing the interest in this project. If this project interests you, if you would like to make a donation, or if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dawn Erickson (dawnzerickson@gmail.com).

Book Club Notes

FOL members and others who are interested in reading and discussing books meet in the Foot Room at the library on the second Tuesday of each month from 5:30 to 7:00. Discussion centers on the monthly selection and other books we have enjoyed. New members are always welcome. For more information, please call Judy Rausch at 651-388-5759.

October 10 – *Still Life* by Louise Penny is the first book in the Three Pines series with Chief Inspector Armand Gamache of the Surêté du Québec. This traditional mystery begins when Gamache and his team of investigators are called to the scene of a suspicious death in a rural village south of Montreal.

November 14 – *Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly is based on the true story of a New York socialite who championed a group of concentration camp survivors. This debut novel tells a story of love, redemption, and secrets that were hidden for decades.

December 12 – *Twelve Days of Christmas* by Debbie Macomber is a heartwarming and fun loving Christmas romance story. It is just the book for anyone who believes in the magical prospect of finding love in the most unexpected places.

Programs

The Friends of the Red Wing Library invite you to attend the following programs sponsored by the Red Wing Public Library. All of these programs will be held in the Foot Room of the library. Programs are free and open to the public. Please invite your friends and neighbors.

Carol Rudie: The Museum of Russian Art – Saturday, October 21 at 10:00. Ms. Rudie will talk about Matryoshkas (Russian Nesting Dolls). Examples will be on display.

J. Michael Norman – Tuesday, October 24 at 2:00. Mr. Norman is the coauthor of *Haunted Heartland*. His book contains stories of the supernatural and is a Halloween favorite. (Co-sponsored with the History Center)

Elizabeth Williams Gomoll – Saturday, October 28 at 10:00. Ms. Gomoll is a professional genealogist and granddaughter of Marland Williams. She edited *With Love to All: The World War I Letters and Photographs of Two Minnesota Brothers Marland and Stanley Williams*, which was published by the Goodhue County Historical Society in June 2017. (Co-sponsored with the History Center)

Fredrick Johnson – Saturday, November 4 at 10:00. Mr. Johnson is a local historian. He will discuss his new book, *Patriot Hearts: World War I Passion and Prejudice in a Minnesota County*. This involving, fast-paced narrative, enriched by more than 100 images and documents, makes for compelling reading. (Co-sponsored with the History Center)

P. S. (Penny) Duffy – Saturday, November 18 at 10:00. Ms. Duffy's debut novel is *The Cartographer of No Man's Land*. Selected as one of the American Bookseller Association's Debut Dozen, it offers a soulful portrayal of World War I and the lives that were forever changed by the war.

Card Making with Karen – Tuesday, December 5 from 5:00 to 7:00. Join in the fun learning to make unique cards just in time for the holidays.

For more information on these programs and future programs, check on the library website, www.redwing.lib.mn.us or notices posted in the library.



Fundraising through GiveMN

The annual Give to the Max Day is November 16. If you have not heard, Give to the Max Day is a unique, online 24-hour outpouring of generosity for the causes that make Minnesota communities stronger. Besides the online activity, nonprofits and schools across MN hold events to raise money for fabulous causes. Your generous support can make a meaningful difference. This year the Friends of the Library donation table will be at the library from 10:00 to 6:00. Everyone who donates on November 16 will be entered in a prize drawing.

Cannot make it on November 16? The online web-site makes it possible for you to give at any time. The link to use is: <https://www.givemn.org/organization/Friends-Of-The-Red-Wing-Public-Library>

Minnesota Association of Library Friends (MALF) Awards

Joyce Harlow has been selected for a Stand Up for Standout Friends Award by the Minnesota Association of Library Friends (MALF). The Friends of the Red Wing Library submitted an application for this award in late summer and Joyce recently received her award certificate. Joyce has been a long time member of the FOL, arranging for author visits, initiating and maintaining the Goodhue County Detention Center Library, developing the Poetry Celebration for local poets, and keeping a photographic history of FOL events throughout the years. We are proud that Joyce is being recognized for her selfless devotion to the FOL and her work in supporting the aims of the Red Wing Library and extending its outreach. She is truly a “Standout Friend!”

The Friends of the Red Wing Library have been nominated for an Evy Nordley Best Project by Friends Award. The nomination is due to the FOL's success with writing grants that allowed the purchase of a new microfilm reader/printer for the Red Wing Library. Last year, the Red Wing Library realized the facility's two antiquated microfilm readers were on their last legs. Vendors estimated the replacement cost at over \$10,000. Lacking the funds, the Library turned to the FOL for help.

Under ordinary circumstances, the FOL would have gladly dipped into our coffers. Unfortunately, we had recently honored several other sizable financial obligations. In order to supply the funding, the FOL turned to grant writing. Through two regional grants and some private donations, the FOL was able to provide the library with funds to purchase the new microfilm reader/printer.

Joyce will be recognized for her award and the winner of the Evy Nordley Best Project by Friends Award will be announced on October 6 at the Minnesota Association of Library Friends Annual Meeting in Rochester.



FOL Meetings and December Holiday Party

The FOL Board holds a business meeting on the third Tuesday of each month at 4:00 in the Foot Room of the library. All FOL members and the public are invited to attend. The FOL Holiday Party will be held on December 19 from 5:00 to 7:00. All FOL members are invited to attend.

Library Board of Directors

The terms expire at the end of December for three members of the Library Board of Directors. Library Board meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 5:00. These meetings are open to the public. If you are interested in joining the board, application forms are available at the library.

Help FOL Raise Funds through AmazonSmile

The Red Wing Friends of the Library is part of the AmazonSmile program. It costs nothing to you. All you need to do is log into AmazonSmile and choose the Friends of the Red Wing Library as your charity. Then anytime you plan to make a purchase from Amazon, start your shopping at smile.amazon.com. (This lets Amazon know to make the donation.) Amazon will donate .5% of the price of your purchase to the FOL.

Hospitality Committee

This committee arranges for refreshments at the library's adult author programs. FOL committee volunteers set up the refreshment table, put out treats, make coffee, and clean up afterwards. The committee is always looking for members willing to assist. If you would like to help with author programs, please contact Lois Burnes at burnes35@charter.net or 651-388-6465.

Friends of the Library Membership

The FOL membership year runs from January through December. This year, we are NOT taking early renewals at the fall book sale. Please renew in January. The membership dues for 2018 will be \$10 for individuals and \$15 for families.

Protective Book Covers & Book Repair Service

In case you did not know, the Friends of the Library has a service where, for a modest fee, we put protective covers on books. The FOL also does book repair. For more information, contact Joyce at 651-388-8353.

Goodhue County Detention Center Library

We have five excellent FOL volunteers working at the Goodhue County Detention Center Library sorting, shelving, color coding and discarding. So at the moment we do not need any more volunteers. We do always accept donations. Mysteries are the top favorites. War, science fiction, and poetry books are also popular. Car magazines are always in demand.



Hot Reads Coming Soon

As the weather cools down, chances for fun at the Library heat up! The Hot Reads For Cold Nights adult winter program, sponsored by the FOL with support from the FOL book club and library staff, returns in early January. Join us for great reader's bags, interesting Saturday programs with door prizes, and maybe a few surprises. If you would like to volunteer to help or have fresh ideas you'd like to share, contact Lori Bowen (jl.bowen@hotmail.com) or Deb Marty (debmarty@gmail.com).