



RED WING FOL

May - July 2023

Officers

President – Bonnie Tracy 612-710-8723
Vice-President – Nancy Thorson 651-388-7235
Secretary – Lois Burnes 651-388-6465
Treasurer – Amy Smith 651-385-3642
Past-President – Robyn Pelehos 651-258-4616

Committee Chairs

Book Club – Judy Rausch

Cozy Up & Read – Lori
Bowen & Bonnie Tracy

Membership – Stephanie
Branson

Book Sales – Sue Mead &
Kay Schwartau

Historian – Joyce Harlow

Newsletter – Sue Mead &
Stephanie Branson

Hospitality – Robin
Pelehos

Publicity – Robyn Pelehos

The mission of the Friends of the Red Wing Public Library (FOL) is to promote the use of library resources and services; receive and encourage gifts and benefits to the library; and cooperate with the library to support library services and facilities for the community. To meet these goals the FOL raises money through book sales, memberships, grants and donations. Recently the FOL used the funds raised to purchase a Network Attached Storage and 3 hard drives to be used with it. The purchases are critical to enable the backing up and securing of data from library computers. Outreach programs and board development are also conducted throughout the year.

FOL Meetings

Any organization is only as good as its active members. Business meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month at 4:00 pm. in the Foot Room of the library. ALL FOL members and the public are encouraged to attend. We are always looking for members to be a part of various activities. Please come meet and join fellow book and library supporters and learn how you can help the library continue its outstanding services.

Upcoming FOL Meetings

May 16

June 20

July 18

August 15

The FOL wants to extend a big **thank-you** to all of our members. Without the many volunteers who are part of the FOL, we could not accomplish as much as we do!

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. All members are asked to participate in book selection. New members are always welcome. For more information, please call Judy Rausch at 651-388-5759.

May 9 *Book of Hope* by Jane Goodall

June 13 *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams

July 11 *A River Runs Through It* by Norman Maclean

Note: Lois Burnes is hosting the June meeting. She lives in the Downtown Plaza Building, 434 W. 4th Street. The meeting will be a potluck and we will pick out books for the next 6 months.

Book Sales

As in the past, the March book sale was very successful, thanks to the patrons who donated books, the volunteers who worked before, during and after the sale, and the customers who bought books and electronic media. At the helm of the FOL Book Sale Committee were Kay Schwartau and Susan Mead, who have taken over from Judie Bowes. Judie had done a great job of overseeing book sales for over a decade. Thanks to all who participated in raising funds for the library!

Book donations will not be accepted from June 1st to July 5th due to elevator repairs taking place.

Library Programs and Author Presentations

- Puzzle Competition, Saturday, May 6th at 10 a.m.; a puzzle swap starts before the competition.
- Overbooked Reading Group: We will discuss *Inheritance Games* by Jennifer Lynn Barnes, Thursday, May 18th at 5 p.m.
- Trivia, Thursday, May 18th at 6 p.m.
- Author Abby Jimenez, Saturday, May 27th at 10 a.m.
- Author Amy Lynn Green, Saturday, July 29th at 10 a.m.

Facebook info

Did you know that the Friends have a Facebook page? If you use Facebook, it is an easy way to get reminders about FOL activities. All you need to do is "Like" the page. Then, new FOL posts will show up in your Facebook news feed. The site address is: <https://www.facebook.com/RedWingFOL>. The "Like" button is under the main photo. If you have news or photos you'd like posted on the FOL page, you can email them to Cindy Peterson (clp55066@yahoo.com).

Friends of the Library Membership

The FOL membership year runs from January through December. The membership dues for 2023 are \$10 for individuals and \$15 for families. Due to postage costs, we prefer to send newsletters and event memos by e-mail.

Friends of the Red Wing Public Library
225 East Avenue
Red Wing, MN 55066