



RED WING FOL

August – September - October 2023

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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.

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!

Upcoming FOL Meetings

August 15
September 19
October 17
November 21

Welcome Back to our Annual Tea Party!

It has been a long time since we got together to share a “cuppa” for the library programs, but we have some good news.

You are invited to join other library supporters for **A Sunflower Dessert Tea & Silent Auction.**

When: Saturday, October 7, 2023

Where: The Foot Room at the Red Wing Public Library

Time: 2:00 p.m.

The Friends of the Library are hosting a Sunflower Dessert Tea and Silent Auction on Saturday, October 7 at 2:00 p.m. downstairs in the Foot Room. The room will be transformed into a field of sunflowers, an homage to the Sunflower Sculpture which has graced our city this past year. This sculpture will find a new home outside of the library later this month. What a beautiful addition to our property!! Invite a friend or a group of friends and enjoy a beautiful fall afternoon feasting on delectable desserts, tea and coffee. You and your friends will enjoy some special gifts just for attending. You will have the opportunity to bid on some extraordinary items at the Silent Auction held in conjunction with this soiree.

The cost of this day out is \$25.00 per person, cash or check only please. Tickets are limited, so make your plans early! Tickets will be available September 1 at the library.

All proceeds from this event will be used to purchase items for the library and support the programs we enjoy as a community.

****Anyone who would like to help plan, serve or promote this special event, please call Bonnie Tracy—612-710-8723**



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.

August 8th: The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead
September 12th: While Justice Sleeps by Stacey Abrams
October 10th: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman

Book Sales

The elevator repairs have been completed and we are, once again, taking book donations for future sales.

Library Programs and Author Presentations

All programs will be held in the Foot Room at the Library, except for the puzzle swap.

Puzzle Swap: Thursday, August 10th from 12-2p.m.

Open to the public. The rules are simple, just bring your puzzle to swap! It will be held upstairs in the library.

Artist Jeffrey Tibbets will be at the library on Saturday, August 12th from 11 a.m.-2p.m.

Jeffrey will host "Carving Your Clan", a stone carving workshop. Please join us for this special workshop which blends ceremony, culture, and art to deliver a unique hands-on experience. During this three-hour class participants will carve a physical representation from a natural material while developing an understanding of the Ojibwe world view. All materials and tools will be furnished by Jeffrey, and the finished pieces will belong to the participants to take home.

Author Amy C. Sullivan PHD., will be at the library on Saturday, September 16th from 10 -11 a.m.

Amy researches and teaches women's history, children's history, and the history of medicine. Specific interests include the history of drugs, alcohol, and addiction, trauma studies, and especially where the intersection of race, class, and gender influence these histories. She uses oral history, narrative, digital projects, and a robust public history mindset in all of her scholarship. Based on oral history interviews with more than fifty narrators, her book Opioid Reckoning: Love, Loss, and Redemption in the Rehab State (University of Minnesota Press, 2021), explores the complexity of America's opioid epidemic through firsthand accounts of people grappling with the reverberating effects of stigma, treatment,

and recovery. Taking a clear-eyed, nonjudgmental perspective of every aspect of these issues—drug use, parenting, harm reduction, medication, abstinence, and stigma—*Opioid Reckoning* questions current treatment models, healthcare inequities, and the criminal justice system.

A second book project, [What Fear Is Like: The Legacy of Trauma, Safety, and Security after the 1977 Girl Scout Murders](#), recasts the infamous triple murder at Camp Scott in Locust Grove, Oklahoma from the perspective of the survivors, mostly young women at the time, and explores how the trauma had a lasting impact on their lives for decades afterwards.

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.

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