



FRIENDS OF THE **LIVONIA LIBRARY**

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FRIENDS OF THE LIVONIA LIBRARY **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

Madelyn Porter

RUNAWAY: The Underground Railroad

October 23, 2022 | 2:00 p.m.

Civic Center Auditorium

The Friends of the Library are proud to sponsor this presentation by Madelyn Porter. Ms. Porter has worked as a professional storyteller and actress for the past forty years. She is well-known in and around the Metro area as a performer, storyteller, instructor and writer of original stories.

We first welcomed Ms. Porter in 2006 when she performed the well-received "The Life and Times of Sojourner Truth." We look forward to once again hosting this 2019 Kresge Arts award winner to share her knowledge about the courageous deeds of those involved with the Underground Railroad.

Please join us after the program for refreshments in the Michigan Room in the library.

SAVE THE DATE FOR FUTURE PROGRAMS!

February 12, 2023

Rosie the Riveter

May 7, 2023

Harmonie Town Chorus

*A room without
books is like a body
without a soul.*

~ Marcus Tullius Cicero

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The Friends **USED BOOK STORE**

The Friends Used Book Store opened in June 2006. The store is located in the Atrium at the Bennett Civic Center Library. It is run completely by volunteers and is stocked with donations from the community.

HOURS

Monday • 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tuesday & Wednesday • 11 a.m. to 7:45 p.m.

Thursday & Saturday • 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

PHONE: 734.466.2495

**Register as a new member
or renew your membership at
the Friends Used Book Store!
Visit during business hours to
submit your dues!**

The mission of the Friends is to provide support for the services and programs of the Livonia Public Library

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

A NOTE FROM JIM HOBART



Both the end of summer and our October book sale will be here soon! Volunteers have been working diligently since the May sale to process all of the books our community has donated. We will have many books from which to choose.

In addition to our seasonal book sales, our Used Book Store remains extremely popular! We offer a large selection of used books throughout the year, as well as a wide variety of audio/visual materials for your enjoyment.

Our online sales, your paid memberships, and donations, also support the Friends.

Please tell your friends and neighbors about us. When you buy books from us or become a member you are supporting the Livonia Public Library! So come to the October sale, bring a friend, and stock up for winter!

MEMBER UPDATE

DIANE BERGENDAHL

I would like to thank all of those that renewed their membership or joined since the last newsletter came out in the Spring. Your support of the Friends is greatly appreciated. All membership dues and donations are tax deductible.



If you receive your newsletter by postal mail, the top of the address label indicates your "Membership Expired". If your renewal date is near or has passed, it will be highlighted in green. Current members receiving a Friends newsletter by email will receive an email notice to renew before your membership expires.

A renewal form is attached at the back of this newsletter for your convenience. A six month grace period will be allowed, then your name will be dropped from the membership list.

Any questions, concerns, change of address, please contact Diane Bergendahl at 248-974-3138 or dbergend@gmail.com.

2022-2023 FOTL CALENDAR

September 14 - Board Meeting

6:00 p.m. | Meeting Room A

October 7, 8, 9 - Book Sale

October 23 - Fall Program

Runaway: The Underground Railroad

2:00 pm. | Auditorium

November 9 - Board Meeting

6:00 p.m. | Meeting Room A

February 3, 4, 5 - Book Sale

February 12 - Winter Program

Rosie the Riveter

2:00 p.m. | Auditorium

March 8 - Board Meeting

6:00 p.m. | Meeting Room A

May 7 - Annual Meeting & Spring Program

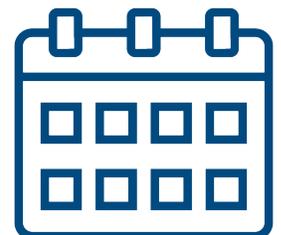
Harmony Town Chorus

2:00 p.m. | Harmony Town Chorus | Auditorium

May 19, 20, 21 - Book Sale

June 14 - Board Meeting

6:00 p.m. | Meeting Room A



SUMMER READING PROGRAM SUCCESS!

JULIE NOVAK

We had plenty of reason to shell-ebrate this summer as 1,568 participants registered for the Summer Reading Program, Oceans of Possibilities, at our library - 1,169 kids and tweens, 115 teens, and 284 adults!

While our annual Summer Reading Program is designed to encourage reading and prevent the summer slide (the loss of knowledge gained over the previous school year), it provides our community with so much more. The Livonia Public Library is helping to create lifelong reading habits.

Exciting programs like Joel Tacey's Page Surfer Magic Show, Bright Star Touring Theater, The Music Lady, and our popular storytimes helped make coming to the library a weekly routine for families. This is especially important during the summer months; with school libraries closed we are one of the main sources of books for some children.

Other programs like our Messy Mystery Mornings, Summer Art Series and take-home craft kits allowed kids to express their creativity.

Along with weekly programming, we also provided a reading challenge. Participants tracked how much time

they read from June 1-July 31. Kids and tweens logged a total of 256,717 minutes, teens 167,570 minutes, and adults 2,398 books!

To encourage participants to keep reading all summer long, we offered fantastic prizes. Our younger patrons received a certificate and free book when they reached their reading goal. All participants in the Kid and Tween program were entered into a grand prize raffle, and the lucky winners took home light-up bikes and razor scooters!

Our library also partnered with the Livonia PTSA Council to provide a space for their Early Literacy Volunteers (ELVs) to meet with and assist elementary students with reading and other literacy skills.

It was a BUSY summer full of reading, programs, learning opportunities and our favorite part, all the ocean-themed jokes the kids told us - do you know why Pirates have a hard time learning the alphabet? They often get stuck at C!

We greatly appreciate the generous support from the Friends of the Library. Thank you for helping to make this a FIN-tastic summer!



USED BOOKSTORE UPDATE

CHARLOTTE HOBART

A new customer at our used bookstore asked me, "Where do you get all of the books that are for sale?"

The answer was easy. "All of our materials are donated by the community." I also added that the store is staffed by dedicated volunteers who sell them back to the community at very reasonable prices. I shared with her that all proceeds go to the library to purchase books and audio/visual items, and also help fund some of the special programs they provide.

Her reply: "So a win, win, win!"

We get compliments all the time about how nice our volunteers are, how well we keep our shelves stocked and organized, and how we have such reasonable prices. We try to keep our used bookstore a place that the community will want to frequent.

Please stop by and see what the bookstore has to offer. You never know what you might find!

Thank you donors, buyers, and volunteers for being a part of our "win, win, win" situation.

**Become a Friend of the Livonia Library, or renew your membership!
See the back page for more information!**



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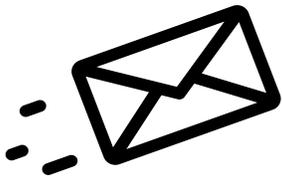
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RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP... be a Friend again!

Your annual membership in the Friends supports the Livonia Libraries by

- purchasing special books and other library needs
- sponsoring cultural events and programs for children and adults
- enlarging public support, understanding and use of the library

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