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2015 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE SCHEDULE

Spring Book Sale: April 16, 17, and 18

Children's Book Sale: June 6

Fall Book Sale: October 1, 2 and 3

Holiday Book Sale: December 5

A small and dedicated group of volunteers who call themselves Book Sleuths are busy most of the year evaluating and pricing donated books for the book sales. We welcome books; hardback and paperback, fiction, nonfiction, and children's. You may bring them to the library or call George Cline at 741-7121 for pickup.

We also welcome saleable donated items. Last year we sold a telescope and a bicycle among other items.

Would you like to help with book sales? You may leave your name and number at the library desk.

All book sale proceeds are used to fund enhancements to the Boone County Library. Besides buying nonfiction books, the proceeds fund the following: the children's summer program; the Daycare Reading program; technology; Heritage Quest and Lawchek; other miscellaneous programs and speakers.

Dear Friends,

Here's hoping we all evade ill health and loss of any further income in 2015. We are all aware of news from Washington that unemployment is down and the economy improving. However, one much acknowledge that the unemployment rate would be around 10% if all those that have dropped out of the labor market were included. It must be acknowledged that, depending on statisticians, 60% to 80% of workers have less disposable income today than 10 or 20 years ago. A January 28 poll result published in the Harrison Daily Times indicated 82% of respondents thought the economy is not improved.

In view of these statistics, the management of FOLBC is extremely grateful for the support our members have given us in prior years.

We fervently hope you can continue the support.

Included in this issue is a summary of FOLBC activities for 2014 and a summary of our financial statement.

Join us in maintaining our great library.

George Cline, President 2015 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE email: fol@folbc.org

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ANNUAL REPORT 2014 1/1/2014 through 12/31/2014

| Category Description | 1/1/201412/31/2014 |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| INCOME | |
| Book Sales | |
| Children's Sale | 363.90 |
| Fall Sale | 5,685.30 |
| Holiday Sale | 2,811.90 |
| Silent Auction | 907.00 |
| Spring Sale | 4,749.00 |
| Trolley Sales | 512.50 |
| TOTAL BOOK SALES INCOME | 15,029.60 |
| Book Shelves | 30.00 |
| Donations | 312.05 |
| Grants | |
| FedEx | 500.00 |
| Walton Family | 5,000.00 |
| TOTAL GRANTS | 5,500.00 |
| Interest Income | 18.78 |
| Membership | 2,500.00 |
| TOTAL INCOME | 23,390.43 |
| EXPENSE | |
| Uncategorized | 0.00 |
| Annual Dues | 230.00 |
| Book Sale Startup | 625.00 |
| Bookplate | 023.00 |
| Mailing Exp. | 259.25 |
| Printing Printing | 1,194.15 |
| 3 TOTAL BOOKPLATE | 1,453.40 |
| FedEx Grant | 1,102.10 |
| *Children's Books | 314.46 |
| Plastic Book Baskets | 119.00 |
| TOTAL FEDEX GRANT | 433.46 |
| Insurance | 825.00 |
| Library Support | 025.00 |
| Honor Books | 7,773.71 |
| Lawchek | 250.00 |
| Proquest Database | 850.00 |
| Summer Reading | 1,243.43 |
| TOTAL LIBRARY SUPPORT | 10,117.14 |
| Operations | 10,117.11 |
| Other Operations | 1,398.68 |
| TOTAL OPERATIONS | 1,398.68 |
| Program | 1,570.00 |
| Other Program | 518.31 |
| TOTAL PROGRAM | 518.31 |
| Website | 35.38 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 15,636.37 |
| TOTAL EATENSES | 13,030.07 |
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| OVERALL TOTAL | 7,754.06 |

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Friends of the Library Review

As a Boy Scout, I was required to do eight hours of community service for my Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge. I chose to do them by helping out at the Friends of the Library book sale.

While helping, I did many things such as sorting, stacking, loading, unloading and carrying books outside for people. I completed these eight hours over the course of two mornings and one afternoon. I had many fun times and also a few slow ones, but overall, I had a great time helping Friends of the Library.

If I were to have to do another service project like this one, I would do it here again. I would strongly recommend it to other scouts working on this merit badge.

Thank you.

Gavin Dickey Troop 40

Friends of the Library, Boone County (FOLBC) Year 2014 Annual Report to the Membership January 2014 through December 2014

FRIENDS OF THE BOONE COUNTY LIBRARY (FOLBC) IS AN ALL VOLUNTEER 501(c)3 ORGANIZATION. OUR CHARTER IS TO ENHANCE THE LIBRARY. TO THIS END, WE HAVE HAD ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

Highlights follow:

- FOLBC was honored for our work with two grants in 2014, a grant of \$500 from FedEx was awarded to enhance our day school book collection. A grant of \$5,000 from the Walton Family Foundation was awarded in recognition of our past community activities and is to be used to continue and enhance those activities.
- FOLBC continues to promote library services and materials by the *Bookplate*, our informative newsletter, the www.folbc.org website, "Book Ends" appearing in the Harrison Daily Times the last Saturday of the month, and word of mouth.
- FOLBC has supported the Boone County Library (BCL) directly with over \$11,000, which includes publication of FOLBC newsletter.
- FOLBC purchased online (available at home) reference material such as Heritage Quest, providing patrons access to considerable genealogical data, and Law Chek which provides forms associated with all areas of the law. And Law Chek also provides an introduction to the law and many links for additional study. These are available through the Boone County Library website www.boonecountylibrary.org through the Genealogy or Reference links.
- FOLBC purchased approximately \$8,500 of books and reference material to enhance the quality and currency of the library collection.

- FOLBC continued and enhanced our outreach efforts by delivery of books to homebound individuals (11 at this time), reading to day school tots, and providing with various donors' help small collections of books at all Boone County Head Start and ABC day schools that parents can check out. Since its inception in 2008 at six day schools, it has grown to now service twenty classes. Sixteen hundred checkouts occurred during the 2012-2013 school year. FOLBC now distributes over 600 books.
- FOLBC continues to honor those who have donated \$25 or more or who have donated any amount of labor with a book in their honor added to BCL collection. These Honor Books are included in the \$8,500 book purchase mentioned above.
- FOLBC, with every project, creates added value. The Book Sleuths evaluate all donated books and price according to value. This has kept our book sale revenue stable.
- Book sales (Spring, Fall, Holiday, Silent Auction, Trolley, and Children's) continue to be our primary revenue source, approximately 80 percent.
- Memberships represent well over 1,000 supporters, 300 of which are life members, that have donated over 2,527 hours, the majority of which were contributed by the 12 working board members. According to the Corporation for National and Community Service, this 2,527 hours translates to over \$47,000.

EVERY MEMBER OF THE 2014 BOARD APPRECIATED THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY. THIS ORGANIZATION WILL CONTINUE TO OPERATE IN AN ETHICAL FASHION AND WILL CONTINUE A FRUGAL AND SAGACIOUS USE OF RESOURCES SO AS TO WARRANT PUBLIC TRUST AND YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HELP IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

George Cline President