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### 2010 Membership Renewal Reminder

Have you already renewed your membership for this year? It felt good to get it off your to-do list, didn't it? And it was so much easier than cleaning out the silverware drawer or organizing the work bench, wasn't it? It just takes a few minutes and you've done your good deed for another year. One of those low hanging fruits. If you haven't yet had the satisfaction of re-upping your membership in the Boone County Friends of the Library organization, please grab your checkbook and just do it now.

Not sure if you're already a member for this year? All you have to do is find the mailing label attached to this newsletter. It should look like the one to the right. If the year line indicates "Life" there will never be another fee. If it reads "Complimentary Copy" it is being sent free with the hope that you will find a way to support Friends of the Boone County Library. If it doesn't say "2010" it's time for you to renew. You can renew for a year as an individual for \$5, a family for \$10, a sustaining member for \$25, or a lifetime member with no further fees for \$100. Business memberships are \$25 and commercial memberships are \$100. Please use the membership form enclosed in this newsletter.

**Your Business Name**  
**Your Name**  
**2010 Membership**  
**Your Mailing Address**

Where do your membership dues go? Friends of the Library uses them, along with its book sale proceeds, to help maintain the vibrancy of the Boone County Library in many ways. Every year the Friends gives the library about \$10,000. to augment their collection with the newest, most desirable books on the market. Friends also provides funds needed to improve and maintain the physical needs of the library, both inside and out. This past year funds were provided to purchase a rug for the children's department, for book bags, book baskets, landscaping materials, etc. The sign at the entrance to the library parking lot was painted and attached with funds donated by the FOL. Funds also go for shelving, online reference materials, software, programs for children and adults (children's reading programs, genealogy seminar, quilting contest prizes, etc. ), staff development, subscriptions, the Boone County Oral History Project, etc. Membership funds were also used this past year to contribute to a 20th Century Club project that distributed paperback dictionaries to every third grade student in Boone County schools. We think you'll agree that your membership dollars are used wisely to make our library great and a valuable asset to the community.

If you haven't already done so, please help us maintain our support to one of the best libraries in Arkansas by taking a moment now to renew your membership. Or join us for the first time; we welcome and appreciate your participation.

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