

President's Message

Dear Friends of the Boone County Library,

This is our *Library Personnel Identification* issue, when we both identify and honor our library staff. Within this newsletter is a picture of each library employee with their name attached thereto and with their favorite book as of this time this year. As is frequently the case, one forgets the association of names and faces. Here is your opportunity to cognize and recognize that association at your leisure.

Friends of the Library purchases these books and they are added to the library collection. The honorees themselves select the books, and in each book the purpose is stated – to honor the named employee for their hard work and dedication. And of course these books are available for checkout, so select one for a good read.

As for the employees, a few are new since last year. Most are old hands. Review the faces and names – get to know your team. If you use the library, it is your team. And one needs not be told of the enhanced services one receives when addressing a staff member by name. Try, "Kelly, can you tell me . . . ?" Try this salutation on Kelly Hardy and note the responsive smile. You'll love it and she'll love it. We probably have the greatest team ever at the Boone County Library. Let us all say so. At least say, "Hi."

Take notice of some changes around the library. Don't look now, but maybe later, Friends are maintaining the wild flower garden on the south side of the library. This spring and last fall it was a spectacular bed. We are working to make it so again. The old cherry tree there was in decline and needed a proper burial.

The outside of the library building has been cleaned and has a much improved appearance. Painting of the metalwork will soon occur. The inside has been spruced up and some materials rearranged. And, like shopping at Wal-Mart, you may not find subject matter where you last found it. This gives you opportunity to buy something you didn't know existed or was available. New experiences are good for you. Try 'em.

Enjoy your library.

George Cline,

President

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