

THE FRIENDS OF THE COLUMBIA LIBRARY, INC.

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NEWSLETTER

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Columbia Branch of the Lorain Public Library System
Gloria Roth, Editor

President's Corner

by Ed Kovach

Hello everyone!! We are in the best months of the year. Enjoy, for it will pass too soon. There is not enough room for me to recognize each and everyone who helped us in our last three projects, so a warm "thank you" to all who helped with the book sale, garage sale, Authors & Artists Festival, and Homecoming.

Due to conflicting dates, there will be no July book sale. Our next book sale will be September 30th and October 2-3-4 during library hours. Preview members only September 29th.

Do not forget to visit our website.

I would like to welcome all our new members, especially those who joined the Friends at our booth at the Authors & Artists Fest and at Homecoming.

Congratulations to the Junior Friends on winning Best Overall Float for 2005 & 2007 and Best Float for 2006 & 2008.

Congratulations to Ken Roth for being selected our "Friends of the Year". He will be honored at the Friend Raiser on September 24th. Let us know if you want to attend.

Thank you.

Your Prez.E.K.



News from the Librarian

The library has been a flurry of activities with the popularity of the Summer Reading Programs for all ages. We have 270 preschoolers through fifth graders and 122 sixth through high schoolers participating in the programs. Children and teens earn prizes for hours of reading or books read. The goal for the preschoolers through fifth graders is to read 16 hours and earn a special ticket to the end of the Summer Reading Program with Mr. Zap and the Bubble Lady. And – 20 hours of reading will earn a special entry for a chance to win a \$150 gift certificate to Kalahari Indoor Water Park. Four winners will be drawn. Teens can earn a Borders' gift certificate for reading 9 books, as long as supplies last. Read more and get more chances to win other gift certificates. These prizes are funded through a grant from The Stocker Foundation. Adults can participate in their own special Summer Reading Program. For each book read, adults can place an entry form in the prize drawings of their choice, all donated by local businesses. So far, 468 entries have been placed in the boxes. The Summer Reading Programs end August 8. Be a part of the fun!

Thank you to The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. for its generosity in providing special Summer Reading Programs and crafts that children are enjoying throughout the summer. Thank you, too, for the children's books the Library purchased with the funds provided by the Friends this summer. Look for The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. gift plates in our books. And, thank you to the Friends for our new blinds in the meeting room.

Other great news this summer is that The Whiz Kidz of the Columbia Library won "Best Float" in the Homecoming Parade with the creative leadership of Mr. Bouscher! Mr. Moser also stepped in and helped with the float set-up. Additional thanks to Red Wagon Farm for letting us use their wagon. We are so appreciative of Mr. Ken Roth taking care of the details of getting the wagon and pulling it in the float. Congratulations, Whiz Kidz of Columbia Library!

Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 1 and plan to stop by the library between 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to help us celebrate 5 years in our renovated and expanded library building. Come enjoy free refreshments and activities for all ages.

Sandy Mitchell

Upcoming Events at the Library

Monday, July 28 at 1 p.m. Adult Book Discussion Group will meet to discuss Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace..One School at a Time by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin.

Monday, July 28 at 5:30 p.m. Doug Kane and his Icelandic horses will be at the library. Learn about his new adventure books. Bring your camera and get your picture taken with the horses. Family program.

Monday, August 4, noon to 7 p.m. Kindergarteners through fifth graders can paint a butterfly or dragonfly to take home.

Monday, August 11 at 5:30 p.m. You Caught the Reading Bug! This special program with Mr. Zap and the Bubble Lady is by ticket only for completing 16 hours of reading in the Summer Reading Program.

Monday, August 25 at 1 p.m. Adult Book Discussion Group will meet to discuss Honeymoon by James Patterson. New members are always welcome.

Tuesday, September 9 – Thursday, October 9; library open hours. Come to the library and enter a drawing to be a "Library Poster Star". One winner will be drawn from each category: Posters will feature preschoolers through 5th graders, 6th – 8th graders, high schoolers, and adults reading their favorite book.

Saturday, September 27 at 2 p.m. Learn strategies to stretch your dollars with Joe "The Coupon Guy."

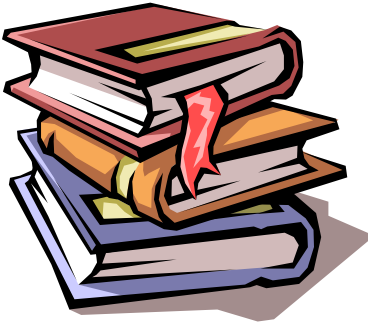
Monday, September 29 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Preview Book Sale for Friends members only. Membership available for purchase at the door. Book sale open to the public during open hours on September 30, October 2 -4. Sponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc.



Friends Renewal Notice

Once again, it is time to renew for 2008-2009 memberships. Please look at the date next to your address label and if it already shows "2008" you are current and do not need to renew. It is our hope that some of you will consider becoming "active" members and attend our meetings on the third Tuesday of every other month. We would love to see some new faces! Our next meeting is at 6 p.m. August 19th. Maybe you have a family member or friend who would be interested in joining. When you become a member of the Friends, your dues make it possible for us to fund the many programs offered to children.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

When Friends Meet

Tuesday, August 19, 2008 at 6 p.m.
At the Columbia Branch Library

All Members Welcome

 **THANK YOU FOR BEING A MEMBER** 

BE A FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY

	<u>Annual Membership Fee</u>
Name _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Student \$2.00 (School) _____
Address _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Family \$5.00
City/State/Zip _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Donor \$10.00
Phone (Home) _____ (Work) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Patron \$25.00
Email Address _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate/Organization \$50.00
	<input type="checkbox"/> Life \$100.00

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