

Friends of the Olympia Library Newsletter

December 2024



Friends of the Olympia Library

Our mission

To support, promote and augment the operations of the Olympia Library.

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Olympia Timberland Library
313 Eighth Ave. S.E.
(360) 352-0595

Hours: 10-6 Monday-Saturday
Closed Sunday

West Olympia Library
625 Black Lake Blvd SW
In the Capital Mall
(360) 764-4440

Hours: 10-6 Everyday

Season's Greetings

to all of the

Friends of the Olympia Library

members and volunteers. Thank you for

your support. Everything we've

accomplished is because of you.

Naming Names

We would like to recognize the people who have given their time throughout 2024. The tasks are many: accepting donations on Wednesday or/and Saturday, emptying the donation bin, sorting books and media, pricing and shelving items for the sale, facilitating FOL shops on Amazon and eBay, serving on the Board and much more.

Abby Cooke, Amanda Mackison, Amy Belaus, Beth Dubey, Bruce Treichler, Charles Wheaton, Denis Ganey, Doug and Patsy Ellis, Emily Treakle-Chase, Gayle Newsom, Helen Simmonds, Jann Hoppler, Julia Moore, Justin Taylor, Kathleen Guest, Linda Neahry, Linda Lee Tatro, Lori Doron, Mary Condon, Melanie Tyler, Mindy Chambers, Natalie Howard, Pat McLain, Peter Christiansen, Peter Sweet, Rob and Pat Harper, Robin Ivey-Black, Rose Jetter, Sandra Schafer, Sara Glass, Sara Tuttle Harmon, Sue Goldstein and Wanda Hedrick provide the energy to keep us going. Thank you!

What's In the Donations?

Good question. Lots of lovely books and media. Some not so lovely. However, once in a while, something very personal/special comes into the FOL collections. A school picture, a pamphlet from a long-ago family reunion, a small book from a 1916 baptism with the certificate included and most recently a cub scout book from the mid-1950s which had been personalized by the owner to include pictures and newspaper articles about ceremonies where he and his friends received awards. There is usually no way to tell which donation contained the item or who the donor was, but we like to try to return the treasure to family or a library or historical society in the location where it originated.

First, we look over the item to find names, locations, time frame. Sometimes the owner has helpfully written some of these useful clues on the item. Other times the item is imprinted with information like a photography studio, or publication date/place. Using the available information in this time of the internet, Ancestry, Family Search, Google, Facebook, and other databases can sometimes solve the mystery. In the case of the cub scout book, we found the owner and returned it to him. This week we received a very nice thank you.

Looking for a gift or your own next read?

Holiday Used Books and Media are now available at the Olympia Library located on the red carts in the ongoing sale area. Items for all ages. The carts and ongoing sale are refreshed daily with many of the items in like new, giftable condition.

The West Olympia Library at the Capital Mall features many of the more recent publications received from kind donors.



Happy New Year 2025

****The Friends of the Olympia meet every month on the second Tuesday in the Olympia Library Meeting Room from 1-2 pm. Consider attending to meet the Board members and find out what the Friends are planning for the future.***

FOL VOLUNTEER FORM



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Volunteer

Would you like to help the Friends of the Olympia Library?

There are varying degrees of participation for every interest level!

Fill out this form and leave it in the box on the FOL slat board wall opposite the sale shelves in the Olympia Library. The FOL volunteer coordinator will contact you.

If you have questions, please contact: fol73volunteers@gmail.com for more information. *The Olympia Library requires all volunteers to have a background check.*

Name: _____

Best way to contact me: _____

Email: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Jobs that interest me:

____ Accepting book donations on Wednesdays or Saturdays.

____ Emptying the donation bin.

____ Book sorting and/or pricing.

____ Stocking ongoing book sale shelves.

____ Help with Amazon online book sale

____ Help with publicity, membership and volunteers.

____ Help with FOL Board activities.

Date _____ *Your information will not be shared.*

For more about the FOL: www.olylibraryfriends.com

FOL MEMBERSHIP FORM



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Join the Friends of the Olympia Library

Members receive our newsletter *and* the good feeling of supporting your local library.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip+4 _____

E-mail _____

Telephone (_____) _____

*None of your personal information will be sold, given, or traded to any third parties for any reason.

New Membership _____ Renewal _____ Date _____

Memberships are for one (1) year, except "Friend for Life".
If your dues are for more than 1 year, indicate # of years here _____

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP (Tax Deductible)

Individual	\$ 10.00
Family	\$ 15.00
Senior (65+)/Student	\$ 5.00
Business	\$ 50.00
Best Friend	\$ 100.00
Friend for Life	\$ 150.00

Please mail this application and your check to:

Friends of the Olympia Library

313 8th Avenue SE

Olympia, WA 98501

or

place it in the membership box on the Friends slat board wall opposite the sale shelves in the Olympia Library, or join online: www.olylibraryfriends.com/join