

# Friends of the Olympia Library Newsletter

June 2025



## 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 Monday-Saturday  
11-6 on Sunday\*



## FOL Free Materials Cart-Gone!

For years a cart of free unsaleable magazines and books, mostly supplied by the Friends of the Olympia Library, had been a staple in the library's back hallway. However, citing the need to reduce congestion, Timberland Regional Library facilities management has concluded that the cart needed to be removed and even a smaller one-sided cart, similar to one used before the refresh, is unacceptable.

The free materials were very popular with patrons looking for a good read or material for an art project. Heading out of town? A free book can be discarded guilt free when finished. Love a freebie? The free cart was the place to go for magazines and mass market paperbacks.

Also, gone from the library are the Courtesy shelves of mass market paperback books supplied by the FOL. These were also designed out of the library at the last remodel.



## Corner of 9<sup>th</sup> & Adams

Several years ago, a local couple installed a little library outside the edge of the Olympia Library parking lot on the corner of 9<sup>th</sup> and Adams. After several useful years, it was vandalized, the door torn off, the roof is partially missing and it is abandoned except for a few books FOL volunteers and neighbors added. Now the Friends are contemplating taking over and repairing or replacing the little library to make a place for our free books and magazines.



## Remember When Summer Reading Club was for Kids Only?

Not anymore! All ages are welcome to participate, babies through adult. It all started on June 1 and will end on August 31. There are signing gifts, programs/events and finally, the finishing prizes which include a free book you can pick from the FOL Bookstore.

Follow this link to learn more: <https://trl.org/blogs/post/slp-2025/>

If you are not close to a TRL branch library, you can sign up online or maybe, the Anywhere Library stops at a convenient location for you. Here are the stops in Thurston County:

Hawks Prairie Head Start  
Olympic Academy  
Boardwalk Senior Apartments  
Rosemont Prestige Living  
Rainier Head Start  
Painer Senior Center  
Pleasant Glade ELC  
Kids Place (ROOF)  
Brookdale Olympia East  
Lacey Head Start  
SPSCC Head Start  
Friendly Ridge  
Cielo  
Child's Time Daycare

More information is available on the TRL Website:

<https://timberland.bibliocommons.com/v2/events?programs=6489004d15e0d23700a6760e>



***\*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 FOL Book Store in the Olympia Library. The FOL volunteer coordinator will contact you.

If you have questions, please contact: [fol73volunteers@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://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 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE

Olympia, WA 98501

or

place it in the membership box on the Friends slat board wall opposite the FOL Book Store  
in the Olympia Library, or join online: [www.olylibraryfriends.com/join](http://www.olylibraryfriends.com/join)