



BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON

# Friends' News

Friends of the Bellingham Public Library November 2007

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**HOLIDAY BOOK  
SALE  
DEC. 5 - 8**

**Double the marked price  
PREVIEW SALE on  
Wed 12/5 from 3 to 6 pm  
No admission fee**

The kids' section, along with videos, CDs and DVDs, will again be located in the lower lobby. Cecilia Morales, 647-9097, is in charge of this area of the sale.

**Regular Sale Hours  
Thurs 12/6 10 am -- 8 pm  
Fri 12/7 10 am - 6 pm (1/2 price)  
Sat 12/8 10 am - 3 pm (\$3 bag )**


**SHOPPING BAGS NEEDED - both  
plastic and paper -- please bring your extras to  
the book sale!**

## 2007 BOOK SALE PROCEEDS

March Sale.....	\$8,880
Ski-to-Sea Sale.....	10,800
Kids' Sale - August.....	421
Fall Sale.....	8,386
Better Books (thru Oct).....	7,016
On-line Sales (thru Oct).....	12,168
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$47,671</b>

## MAGAZINE READERS

**REJOICE!** New racks for the magazine swap area in the lower lobby are scheduled to be completed in December. The old racks have been showing their age and are somewhat hazardous when filled to the brim with magazines. The Friends have contracted with a local carpenter to build new and improved racks.



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
FOR 2008**

March Book Sale.....March 5-8  
 Annual Meeting.....April 12  
 Ski-to-Sea Book Sale.....May 21-24  
 September Book Sale.....Sept 3-6  
 Fischer Award Program.....Nov 22  
 Holiday Book Sale.....Dec 3-6

## Message from our President

Dear Friends,

Once again we have surpassed last year's donations! We have been able to bank some money for the future needs of the library and added many new members this year. We achieved this with your support in sharing our mission of providing outstanding library and information resources, facilities and services to our community.

I know I say this in every newsletter, but all of your time, commitment and teamwork are what make this such a vital group! Thank you.

Tom Glenn, a valued "Friend," quietly passed away July 31, 2007. Tom's generosity and kind spirit were an inspiration to this entire community. He lived his life with the utmost of integrity. He was beloved by all and will be sorely missed. Tom was President of the Friends for twelve years as well as volunteering after that in our many ongoing projects. He will be remembered by all who worked with him at our book sales and the other numerous duties he accepted as a Friend. A *Tom Glenn Memorial Fund* has been set up and donations will be reserved for a future tribute to acknowledge Tom's service.

We have 501c3 status, which allows all donations to the Friends as tax deductible.

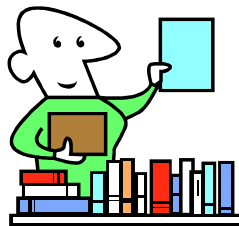
We have a lot of work ahead of us over the next few years, especially with the pending design and construction of the new central library. With your ongoing support and commitment, I know we can continue to promote and advance the library's valuable services to this great community.

Thanks for all you do,

Christine Walsh, President

*p.s.*

*We are looking for help in updating our web site. If you have that special ability please call our office.  
360-647- 6365 x 250*



## RECENT PURCHASES

Barcode Duplicating Machine.....	\$2,190
CDs.....	967
Digital Projector .....	911
Fairhaven Self-Check Desks .....	6,000
Summer Reading Program .....	250
Thursday Night Spotlight .....	1,700
Teen Library Committee .....	83
Microfilm/Scanner .....	11,100
Movie Licensing.....	250
<b>Total (thru Oct).....</b>	<b>\$23,451</b>



**MAUDE HEYES FISCHER  
AWARD FOR ACHIEVEMENT  
IN READING**

On Saturday, November 17 at 11 am, we will celebrate the reading achievement of 11 Title I students in the

Bellingham School District. This award is given by the Friends, with Village Books contributing one half the cost of the Gift Certificate and the Friends contributing the remainder. These students were chosen by their reading teachers for their efforts in learning to read. The children will be photographed both individually and as a group, and their group picture will be placed behind the check-out desk for one year. Come and celebrate this wonderful event with us by calling Vicky Marshall at 671-6861 by Tuesday, November 13.

**Friends in the schools** – The Friends generously provide used children's books for the parent education classes taught by Vicky Marshall.

**Roosevelt English Language Learners evening classes** -- each child whose parent is in attendance receives a book of their choice to help build their family library collection.

**'Take a Screen-Break' workshop for Kindergarten Parents at Sunnyland** -- the parents in attendance receive books to read to their children, for their children to begin to read, and/or for the family to use for creative endeavors, like learning to cook, build, arts and crafts, experimental activities, etc.

Parents in both programs are most appreciative of the books they receive.

A 26-book collection of the book '*Out of the Dust*' was donated and given to Kulshan Middle School teacher Julie Bennett for use with her students on a class project. She and a co-teacher were very thankful to receive the collection to provide books for all their students.

Respectfully Submitted by Vicky Marshall

**FOBPL OFFICERS**

Current FOBPL officers are:

President: Christine Walsh  
Vice-President: Ruby Larive  
Secretary: Marcia Leishman  
Treasurer: Catherine Huhndorf

Committee chairs are:

Membership: Sally Davenport  
Publicity: Velma Wendt  
Magazines: Garland Richmond  
Fischer Awards: Vicky Marshall  
Hospitality: Carol Viens  
Newsletter: Merrily Lawson  
Book Sales: Ken & Phyllis Weber

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!**

Enclosed with this newsletter is a self-addressed envelope for your convenience in joining or renewing your Friends' membership. Note that the regular dues are \$5.00; student/senior - \$3.00. A business/corporate level of \$50.00 is also available. Thanks so much for supporting the library through your membership!

**NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF  
THE FAIRHAVEN LIBRARY**

**We're having another birthday!**

The Fairhaven Library Friends group will have their Annual Meeting on November 19 at 4 pm at the library. New officers will be elected for the coming year.

Everyone is invited to the 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday party of the Fairhaven Library on Saturday, December 15 from 1-3 pm in the Fireplace Room of the Fairhaven Library. We will have our usual party with a big birthday cake plus other holiday refreshments. Some of the Fairhaven Friends will be dressed in 1904 attire to honor this historic occasion. Bring your family, friends and neighbors to enjoy this annual birthday celebration of our treasured library.



***From Our Library Director Pam Kiesner***

Dear Friends,

***We want to hear from you!***

Until November 15 we are asking you to fill out a library survey to help in our planning process. We invite you to take the survey next time you are in one of the libraries, or if you have access to a computer, take it on-line (it's easier for us to compile the responses if you complete the survey on-line). Either way, we want to hear from you.

To find the on-line version, go to [www.bellinghampubliclibrary.org](http://www.bellinghampubliclibrary.org) – you'll find it on our front page. In addition to the survey you'll find easy access to the film of the Open Houses. You will get to meet our planning consultants, hear about progress to date, and see the public feedback sessions.

Checking our website is a good way to keep up with what is going on. We also have a display at the library with upcoming events and feedback sessions advertised there – of course, we invite and encourage your involvement and attendance at any of the public events! And as always, we invite your questions and comments – you can call me anytime at 676-7794.

Another way to provide feedback is through your Friends' officers. The Friends are represented by Ken Weber on the Library Building Program Committee, and our consultants have met with both Ken and Christine Walsh about space needs.

This is an exciting time in the life of the Bellingham Public Library, and we are lucky to have such great Friends! Thank you for all you do.

Pam Kiesner, Library Director

