



Newsletter

Summer 2008

NEW LOGO!!!

Please notice the new Friends logo at the top of this newsletter. Many thanks to Dr. Michelle Wiebe and Dr. Michael Emme of the Art Education Department at UVic for creating this for us.

BOOK SALE - MAY 2008

The May book sale was a great success with \$23,962.97 being raised. Michael O'Hagan did a magnificent job of arranging the venue at the Archie Browning Arena. The larger space enabled better table arrangements which were easier for our customers to navigate. Many **THANKS** to Michael for his great efforts and to the volunteers who worked so hard to set up and work the sale, including the Esquimalt and Mt Douglas Secondary students. You all did a wonderful job.



Volunteers setting up the book sale



Customers browsing the tables



Friends would also

possible:

The like to thank the sponsors of the Book Sale for helping to make the whole event

Metro-Waste Paper Recovery Inc.

AJM Campbell

Munro's Books

Rogers' Chocolates

Thrifty Foods

Country Grocer

SaveOn Foods

McDonald's

William Head Work Release Programme

Archie Browning Arena

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Friends' Annual General Meeting took place on June 19, 2008 at 7 pm in the Central Library Meeting Room. The new Board is made up of the following people:

Carol Martin - President

Carol Pickup - Vice-President

Audrey Prrendergast- Secretary

John Gilliland - Past President

Phebe Chartrand - Treasurer

Fredi McComb - Friendship Manager

Jim Scott - Book sales coordinator

Linda Vance - Membership coordinator

Ann Cameron - Volunteer coordinator

Jeanne Kent - Website coordinator

Gary Shearman - Member-at-large

Jacqui Ward - Newsletter

Deborah Begoray - Book sales publicity

Valerie McGregor - Member-at-large

Susan Henderson - Staff liaison

The Friends Wish List for 2008 includes:

1. \$5,000 for the Summer Reading Club

2. \$3,000 for a folding wheelchair for the Central Library
3. \$1,000 to assist the Local History Room with its binding project.
4. \$6,000 to purchase licensing software for Safari Textbooks Online to enhance the eBranch resources
5. \$7,000 to expand the very popular video game collection for teens
6. \$5,000 to set up depository collections in community shelters to support outreach shelters and other community organizations whose clients lack access to reading materials (as recommended by a Library staff committee)

Goodbye and Many Thanks to:

Michael O'Hagan – Michael is stepping down from the board. He has organized the book sales for many years and will be greatly missed. Michael will remain a Friend and I'm sure we'll see him browsing the aisles at future sales. Michael leaves some mighty big shoes to fill.

Victor Allen – After many years of service Victor is stepping down to pursue other charitable interests.


Welcome to:


Jeanne Kent– who has updated our website – check it out at <http://victoria.tc.ca/Community/Friends/>


Deborah Begoray – who has taken up the challenge of publicity for the book sales


Valerie McGregor – who will be helping with the newsletter

Jim Scott – who will be the new book sales coordinator


	<i>Our Canada Council funding application for a Writer in Residence program was successful and author Susan Juby will be joining us later this year – more details to follow</i>
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	<i>The new Goudy Branch in Langford at 755 Goldstream Avenue will open in October. A special Friends function to preview this innovative new branch is planned before the opening. Friends will receive an invitation either electronically or through the mail.</i>
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	<i>The \$5,000 Outreach Wish List item to set up depository collections was approved as were the other wish List items for 2008. The Library will be working with Project Literacy on this initiative.</i>
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	<i>Did you know that the Friends have raised \$607,989.14 for the Library between 1993 – 2007?</i>
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NEXT BOOK SALE

	Nellie McClung Branch, 3950 Cedar Hill Rd Saturday, September 27 – 5 pm-8 pm – Early bird \$2.00 Sunday, September 28 – 9 am-1 pm; 1 pm-2:30 – all you can carry for \$4.00
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NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be on Tuesday, November 4, at 5:30 pm at the Central Library