

# Friends of Henderson Libraries

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Supporting Our Public Libraries

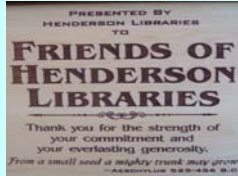
October - December 2007

## What We Do



## Give

### And Receive



## Advocacy, Support and Communication

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### Library Tree Lane

*Funds to Henderson Libraries: 2004 \$3,000 ~  
2005 \$12,000 ~ 2006 \$18,000*

## Friends of Henderson Libraries celebrates with Library Tree Lane Nov. 15-30

*By Allen Grant*

Bring your friends and family to celebrate the holiday season with **Friends of Henderson Libraries**.

**Friends'** 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Library Tree Lane runs Nov. 15 to 30 at Paseo Verde Library. During regular library hours during those dates, the library will showcase decorated trees and gift baskets. The charity fundraising event is designed to raise money for Henderson's new Green Valley Library. Proceeds raised from Library Tree Lane's festivities will be donated to purchase the Green Valley Library's learning materials for young children. The library is expected to open in early 2009.

This year's Library Tree Lane features a variety of activities for children of all ages including a pajama party, a visit by Santa Claus and more. All children's activities are free. For specific details, please call 492-6581.

Sponsors for Library Tree Lane include Bank of New York/Mellon, Republic Service, Allegiant Air, Capitol, Stephens Press, United Studios of Defense and Black Mountain Graphics.

Another featured performance is the Holiday Carr Chat Nov. 17 at 1 p.m. Author Robyn Carr will be on hand for conversation and afternoon tea and a book signing. Tickets are \$20 for this activity. To reserve, please call 492-6584.

The event's Gala Reception & Auction takes place Nov. 30 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Paseo Verde Library. Guests can bid on the trees and gift baskets and purchase holiday wreaths with proceeds going to this great cause. Along with festive music, the event includes free drinks and hors d' oeuvres. Tickets for the Gala are \$25. To reserve, please call 492-6584.



## News from the Board

Our thanks to the folks at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 567 N. Stephanie, for the first **Friends of Henderson Libraries** Bookfair, Sept. 8. We hope to make this a great community event.

New board officers were recently elected. Welcome, Sam Giordano and Kathy DeAngelis and a heartfelt farewell to a Friends friend, Bob Kasner.

The Giving Tree was unveiled Sept. 7th at Paseo Verde Library. See it and be proud.

2008 membership renewals are being mailed in October. If you don't get a renewal, please contact us.

**Friends** are distributing copies of *The Five People You Meet in Heaven* for the **One Book Henderson** project. Copies will be available at Starbucks, DMV, senior centers and many other sites. The author, Mitch Albom, will speak and sign books Sunday, October 14, 1 PM at the Henderson Pavilion. Volunteers are needed for many related events. And Library Tree Lane needs help right now. Contact Judy Hughes. (over)

**Friends** purchased a gorgeous soft yellow table skirt with our logo and name. It will grace our presence where ever we go.

## Mark Your Calendar!

**Oct 19 - 20**  
Book Sale, Paseo Verde Library

**November 16 - 18**  
Book Sale, Gibson Library

**November 15 - 30**  
**Library Tree Lane**

**December 2 - 3**  
Book Sale, Malcolm Library

**December 7 - 9**  
Book Sale, Paseo Verde Library

**FOHL Board of Directors**  
Second Tuesday of every Month 3:00 P.M.  
At the Paseo Verde Library

The mostly true  
**Diary of a Book Sale  
 Fanatic**



*Dear Diary,* *July 15*

Our Bastille Day weekend sale brought in \$2,058.07! Zut alors! Today, we unloaded the mismatched encyclopedias to one couple (\$5) and all of the Readers Digest Condensed vintage volumes to another discerning buyer (\$10). C'est magnifique! We sold four Friends' book bags. I gave a big Merci Beaucoup to Janet and the reference staff for their set-up help without which this success would not be possible. Our volunteers so appreciate their kindness.

*Dear Diary,* *July 29*

Let the cartwheels commence! We made \$957.08 at our weekend Gibson sale! Stupendous! This may be our biggest Gibson sale ever (not counting ArtFest). We signed up one new Friend and recruited a potential new volunteer who just moved to Henderson four days ago and found out about our sale on Craig's List. YAY!! (Kudos to Friend/ Volunteer **Lorna Butz** who has listed our last two sales on Craig's List.) I will share our happy news with Gibson staff and thank them profusely for their help and indulgence.

*Dear Diary,* *Sept 10*

I'm on vacation and I visited the Maui Friends of the Libraries Book Store today. It is down a dirt road in the middle of a sugarcane field and looks like an old shack. Books are sold for 20 cents each. Even at that price, it's amazing anyone makes the effort to find the place. I only bought a couple of books ... honest ...

*Dear Diary,* *Sept 17*

Our windfall from the weekend sale is \$1,986.09, plus four new Friends memberships. *Can you stand it?* We're going to need a bigger cashbox if this continues!

*Your Friend, Leslie*

## Message From the President

As you can tell, the Library Tree Lane Committee has been busy this year---and I mean **all** year. This dedicated group of volunteers meets monthly for about six months, and then twice a month for the remainder of the year. I am sure everyone in the community appreciates their contributions.

When we first moved to the desert, my wife and I had a difficult time adjusting to Christmas. Our children had no snow to play in, no boots on the front porch, and mom and dad didn't have to help them put on their snow-suits. Our grandchildren, however, can now enjoy Library Tree Lane. Be sure to check out the many events we have planned.

Our book-sale committee and book donors also deserve recognition. Our sales are approximately \$1,800 each month, every nickel of which goes to the library to put books on the shelf and support library programming.

Members of Friends will soon be receiving notification that it is time to renew their annual membership. Don't forget---your donation is tax deductible. Another advantage is that members of Friends are allowed early access to our book sales. Several take advantage of this each month.

**Ron Hughes**  
[rondh@cox.net](mailto:rondh@cox.net)

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**I have never known any distress that  
 an hour's reading did not relieve."**  
*Montesquieu, 1899*

## Celebrate National Friends of Libraries Week

FOLUSA will celebrate the second annual  
 National Friends of Libraries Week  
 October 21-27, 2007

## Great Expectations

*By Leslie Finzer*

Who on your gift list wouldn't LOVE a bag full of books?

The Friends of Henderson libraries are selling fabulous new canvas book bags which you can fill with prime selections from our Friends bookstores, located in each branch. These handy canvas totes in **deep marine blue with black trim** will appeal to all the readers on your list. And they are only \$10 each!

On any given day our bookstore shelves are bursting with terrific treasures. If you are looking for non-fiction selections, you'll find biographies, cookbooks, travel tomes, political commentary, history, self-help. how-to books and more.

If fiction is your fixation there are hundreds of hardback, softcover and paperback editions of current and older best sellers, even some literary classics to read and love again. Our bookstore shelves are replenished several times a week, so there is always something new to savor. Book prices start at \$.25 up to \$1.00.

Looking for unique literary items? At the Paseo Verde library, check the glass cases near the bookstore shelves for unusual and specially priced books. Inside are interesting old favorites, first editions (sometimes signed), historical magazines and media.

All sale proceeds from your purchases of Friends book bags and items from our bookstores buy new books for our libraries—a most worthy purpose for our community.

## Call for Volunteers

Volunteer Coordinator Judy Hughes has received two requests from the libraries. An office assistant is needed for the accountant. Office duties include light filing and sorting checks. The second request is for shelvers at Malcolm library. Contact Judy at: 270-6955 or [judyh@cox.net](mailto:judyh@cox.net)

**FRIENDS are admitted to BOOK SALES 30 minutes before the public on opening day of the sale.**

Friends get FIRST PICK privilege! You will enter the library before it officially opens; no staff is available. Please avoid bringing children.