

Friends of Henderson Libraries

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Supporting Our Public Libraries

January – March 2007

What We Do



Party!



Advocacy, Support, and Communication

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HIGHLIGHTS OF 2006

Membership Revenue \$ 3,800
Bookstore Revenue \$ 7,858
Book Sales Revenue \$21,655

Figures represent an increase of more than \$4000 over 2005.

Throughout the year, FRIENDS contributed money, time and moral support to Henderson libraries.

We purchased a 60-grid panel system with accessories for displays and organization of library materials. We also purchased a camera, software programs, books and special supplies, as well as provided seed money for various projects. The proceeds from our major fundraiser, Library Tree Lane, went to the HDPL Outreach program and helped purchase and equip the bookmobile. All the valuable books that were found amongst our book donations were given to the library. And we supplied books to senior citizens at their residences and to children in day care.

We All Need New Friends

By Leslie Finzer

Friends of Henderson Libraries is looking for you to support its projects & programs

Did you know that **Friends** can enter our used book sales 30 minutes before the general public on the first day of every sale? It's a great opportunity to get the first look at our book bargains.

Join now! Become a Friend in January and your membership is valid through 2007.

As a thank you for joining Friends, you will receive a special gift, available only to new **Friends**. Memberships are available for as little as \$20 annually, up to \$250 for Lifetime Members. And your financial support means so much to Henderson Libraries and the community we serve.

Stop by any Henderson library to pick up a membership application, or go to our website to obtain one. You can mail it in with your membership dues, or drop it off on your next visit to one of our great libraries.

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News From the Board

Friends funded a request to purchase a video camera system with a full archival component in order to further the Henderson Libraries' Oral History Project. Henderson "Old Timers" and World War II veterans are currently being interviewed; their memories and stories recorded for future generations.

The first 50 **Friends** who renewed their memberships in November and December received a Whole Foods Shopping Bag as a bonus gift. Thanks, Whole Foods.

Marian Brown, Membership Chairman, reminds members to update their mailing and EMail addresses so they receive our notices.

Chloe Ducharme and Judy Hughes were congratulated on the Open Houses held at each library during the fall. They were very nicely done indeed, with décor, refreshments and volunteers.

The Children's librarians requested **Friends** funds for interactive Leap Frog materials for use with the "Reading with Rover" Program. **Done!** Don't Children's language & literacy programs sound like fun?

Mark Your Calendar!

January 19 - 21

Book Sale, Paseo Verde Library

February 4

Book Sale, Malcom Library

February 23 - 25

Book Sale, Paseo Verde Library

March 16 - 18

Book Sale, Paseo Verde Library

**Board of Trustees,
Friends of Henderson Libraries
Meets on the Second Tuesday of each
Month at 3:00 PM**
At the Paseo Verde Library

*Library Tree Lane 2006
We caught the glow!*



Laura Jane Spina and Susan Johnston, Co-Chairs, report that Library Tree Lane had another winning season.

Friends of the Henderson Libraries and signature sponsor American Nevada Company brought in significant funds to support the Libraries Outreach Services. Such resounding success is attributed to the numerous community members and organizations that magnanimously contributed ideas, talents, labor, and money throughout the year. The outstanding decorations and programs on and around Library Tree Lane November 17-30 were truly the product of community collaboration.

We hope you were there to admire the Christmas Trees and decorations that took over Paseo Verde Library and created a holiday fantasy. Whether draped in pristine crystal and white, or colorful themes such as Fairies Dream and Christmas Under the Sea, each tree glowed with magic. Good company, music, wine and exquisite food all contributed to the holiday gala.

Other items for sale: huge, baroque wreaths, golden reindeer, hand-made ornaments and autographed books from the authors in attendance. And then it was time for a silent auction of 90 gift-filled baskets. What a dilemma to choose a favorite! From the prosaic (H&R Block tax package) to the sublime (Emery's catered dinner party), each basket held hopes and dreams. You could even be a character in the next Dale Brown high-tech adventure book!

Thanks to you all --sponsors, creators, volunteers, and patrons-- for a memorable experience, as well as a financial success.

Message From the President

Our annual fundraiser, Library Tree Lane, was a big, beautiful present for everyone. It was a spectacular Holiday Gala, Robin Carr's Chat & Tea, sales, auctions and drawings. All of the activities were a result of much hard work and sincere dedication. I'd like to use my space here to recognize the people who worked for an entire year to make it a success.

Honorary Chairperson Lora Gibson
Library Board Chair Colleen Bell
Library Executive Director Thomas F. Fay

Library Tree Lane Chairpersons
Laura Jane Spina and Susan Johnson

Area Design/Decorating Joy Tweddle
Auction Andrea Frazier
Entertainment Florica Hagendorn
Finance Marilyn Dial,
Chloe Ducharme, Judy Hughes
Logistics Gayle Hornaday,
Michelle Mazzanti
Publicity Danielle Ellis
Reception/Holiday Chat Michelle Mazzanti
Kristi Price, Joan Tinker
Recognition Kathy Hug, Sue Tanaka
Sponsorships Kristy Price
Volunteer Coordinator Judy Hughes

Committee Members & Volunteers
Jeanne Brady, Eric Bushman, Trudy Casey,
Dee Mazzanti, Orin Fielding, Sean Hill,
Kathy Hope, Donna Israelson, Donna Lee,
Loren Purcell, Scott Shepherd, Paden Weber
and Joan Vaughan

There isn't space to list all of our donors and contributors, but particular recognition is due Henderson's business community.

Finally, our **Friends** board members and volunteers are special people who deserve thanks for contributing so much to this event and throughout the year. I look forward to the opportunity to work with you in 2007.

Ron Hughes
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Your Book Donation Benefits APPLE

Book sale coordinators Leslie Finzer and Marilyn Dial screen donated books and claim good condition books appropriate for elementary age kids for APPLE (All People Promoting Literacy Efforts), a program initiated by Mayor Gibson.

Friends has delivered several boxes of prime books to Bud Craner, City of Henderson, Mayor's Office. Bud, an APPLE Board Member, maintains 50 locations throughout our city where books are available for youngsters to read, such as doctors' waiting rooms. Some books are taken home by the children, thus requiring a steady flow of incoming books. Please consider donating your gently used books for students from kindergarten through fifth grade.

Deposit Collections

To expand accessibility to the Henderson District Public Libraries' (HDPL) book collection, small collections are maintained at ten residences for senior and disabled citizens. This effort was originally funded by a grant obtained by **Friends**. The "deposit collections" contribute to the enjoyment and knowledge of this special community of citizens.

Senior housing, assisted living facilities and nursing homes are increasing throughout Henderson. We are searching for additional grants to be used to extend this program to more sites, in addition to refurbishing and expanding the established collections. Can you help? Contact us with your ideas.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers fill the heart of our libraries. Your time is treasured and respected in this service. For regular or event volunteer scheduling, contact the Friends office at Paseo Verde. Judy Hughes is the Volunteer Concierge.

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. Procrastinators should know that books left on the final day of the sale are sold for \$2.00 a bag!