

# Friends of Henderson Libraries

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Supporting Our Public Libraries

October – December 2009

## What We Do



## Work in Committees



## Advocacy, Support, and Communication

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## Book Sales Revenues Soar!!

September 18-21 P. V.	\$1,413.60
August 28-31 Gibson	\$ 408.38
August 14-17 P. V.	\$1,350.55
July 17-20 P. V.	\$1,358.37
TOTAL .....	\$4,530.90

Point of Sale revenue (collected by library) and settlement from 'excess' or left-over stock is not yet included in the report.

Amazing sale results begin with our contributors of used books and media: children's books, technical books, cookbooks, fiction in hardback and paperback are big sellers. We've also sold games, craft patterns, CDs, DVDs, VHS, and old 78s.

## Sharing the Honors

By Kathy Hug

2009 HAS BEEN A BANNER YEAR for **Friends of Henderson Libraries** as the non-profit organization has earned national recognition for outstanding work and has marked the tenth anniversary of the group's founding.

**Friends of Henderson Libraries** gained national recognition in July when Baker and Taylor honored the group at the American Library Association's Conference in Chicago. The honor focused on the Fifth Annual Library Tree Lane, a major fundraiser of Friends.

The monetary portion of the award—one thousand dollars—has been used to purchase fifty books through the Two Gifts in One program initiated by Library Tree Lane 2008. The books are part of the children's collection of the Henderson Libraries.

Each book will contain a bookplate that honors all Friends—members and volunteers—for a decade of dedication. Friends organized in 1999. Over the past ten years, the non-profit group has emerged as a strong supporter of the libraries.

## News from the Board

Important elections are going to be held at the annual meeting, October 27<sup>th</sup>. The positions of president, vice president, treasurer, and membership chairman are to be filled. Two year terms begin in January 2010.

Part of the Baker and Taylor award was an engraved clock and five autographed books. The clock has been put on display and the Board donated the books to Library Tree Lane for fundraising.

One of the old book sale signs standing near the PV parking lot was purloined and presumed kidnapped in July. But it miraculously reappeared two days later.

We all celebrated when the bid to build the new James I. Gibson Library came in under estimate. Friends President Ron Hughes helped break ground for the building on August 18.

The Board allocated \$170 for a children's library costume to enhance reading programs and \$200 to Library Tree Lane to purchase shelves that will hold gift baskets for safe

## Mark Your Calendar!

**October 2 - 5**  
Book Sale, Gibson Library

**October 9 - 12**  
Book Sale, Paseo Verde Library

**November 6 - 9**  
Book Sale, Paseo Verde Library

**December 11 - 14**  
Book Sale, Paseo Verde Library

**November 17 to December 4**  
**Library Tree Lane**

< "Dining for Friends" Dates on website >

**Board of Trustees,**  
**Friends of Henderson Libraries**  
Meets on the 4th Tuesday of each  
Month at 10:00 AM



## *Library Tree Lane Is*

### *Just Around the Corner!*

Tree sponsors and silent-auction donations are needed for the Sixth Annual Library Tree Lane, a major fundraiser of the **Friends of Henderson Libraries**. Events begin November 17 and end December 4 with a gala reception and silent auction. All events will be staged in the Paseo Verde Library.

Proceeds from Library Tree Lane benefit the children's collection of the Henderson Libraries. After the gala, sponsored trees will be delivered to charities specified by the sponsors.

Free activities include a Holiday Chat with author Robyn Carr on November 20, several programs for children, and a showcase of trees and wreaths. Registration is required for the Holiday Chat and the Children's programs. Tickets for the Gala and silent auction are \$25 each.

The honorary chair for this year's Library Tree Lane is Congresswoman Dina Titus. Sponsors include Stephens Press, Quality Impressions, the Art Institute of Las Vegas, BNY Mellon Wealth Management, Capital NorthAmerican, Republic Services, and United Schools of Self Defense.

Friends received national recognition from Baker and Taylor for the Fifth Annual Library Tree Lane (2008). **Friends** applied the one thousand dollars received from Baker and Taylor to the Two Gifts in One program, providing for fifty children's books for the Henderson Libraries.

*By Kathy Hug*

## **Message From the President**

2009 is slowly coming to an end. For some, I imagine that it can't come fast enough. Personally, I hate to see it come to a close. For one thing, due to term limits, I am not eligible to run for the position of president for another two year term. Being associated with **Friends of the Henderson Libraries** has been a very rewarding experience for me. And, perhaps presumptuously, I think my participation has been good for the organization as well. But I am just one member of the board. This board has provided leadership and accomplished an enormous amount in the past four years and it's been a sincere pleasure to have been a part of it. Rest assured, the board will retain strong leaders and I plan on continuing my Friends activities in another role.

We will shortly mail out the membership renewal documents. We need you to continue your membership. Included in the mailing will be information regarding a proposed revision of our bylaws. 2/3s of the membership must approve the change; please read the instructions and take the time to vote. It is important to update this organization and continue to move forward.

I hope you will take part in our Library Tree Lane celebration which begins in November. Go to the **FoHL** website and click the "Events" button to see the many activities being planned. Bring at least one child to a fun-filled winter fest, have tea with a successful author, and choose your favorite decorated Christmas tree. What an excellent way to bring the joy and beauty of the holiday season into your life! It all culminates in the Gala being held on December 5. You owe it to yourself to attend.

On Page One you saw photographs of some of the fantastic folks who are responsible for Library Tree Lane. (Is child labor legal?) These photos were taken at the September monthly meeting of LTL committee chairs who are now in full throttle to make sure **FoHL's** major fund raiser equals the success of previous years.

**Ron Hughes**

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## **Volunteers Needed**

Judy Hughes, **Friends** Volunteer Coordinator, must find volunteers to man the sales table at Paseo Verde for the 'chance drawing' that will be open during two weeks of Library Tree Lane. Can you spare a few hours for our libraries? The Gala that ends LTL on December 4th also needs help for a variety of tasks. You can earn free admission to the big party! Please contact Judy at 270-6955.

### ...and MATERIALS

Small to tiny ornaments are needed to decorate table top trees that will be sold at LTL. The Christmas trees are 2 foot high. You may bring your donations to the Paseo Verde Library.

## **MoneySmart**

*by Walecia Konrad  
from USA Weekend*

Use the library to save. Most libraries lend CDs, DVDs, videos, audio books and all kinds of stuff for kids. You can use free high-speed Internet to surf the Web to find even more savings. Many libraries offer assistance with job searches, writing resumes, homework and tax returns. Learn everything from how to write poetry or knit to basic computer skills.

## **Volunteers Extraordinaire**

We owe a special THANKS to the DESIGN STUDENTS at the Art Institute of Las Vegas for designing our posters and other presentation material. It is our partnerships with great groups like these that gained **FoHL** a national award.

"There is not such a cradle of democracy upon the earth as the free public library—this republic of letters where neither rank, office, nor wealth receives consideration."

Andrew Carnegie

**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.

Hey, Procrastinators, books left on the final day of the sale are sold for \$2.00 a bag!