

STATESBORO-BULLOCH COUNTY FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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The President's Corner

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The new fiscal year has begun and our organization has begun a campaign to remind members to renew their commitment by paying their dues and sharing their talents with the library. The professional staff at the library is creative in planning and organizing programs for our community that reach out to every individual. Our members can be seen daily supplementing these services in so many ways. Volunteers assist staff with children and adult programs, genealogy, adult literacy, and community outreach. If you have the time, I hope you all will find a way to become actively involved in our library.

You may want to involve yourself on a larger scale by joining our state organization, Friends of Georgia Libraries (www.georgia-friends.org). Find out about their fall workshop in November. This year's president is our own W. Bede Mitchell who is Dean of the GSU Library.

As always, feel free to share your ideas with me for making our organization better.

Ceil



The Open Book: Library News **by Cora Fay, Assistant Library Director**

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This month my column is as much personal as professional. After 30+ years in the library profession I have decided to retire on Oct. 1, 2009. It has been a career I would repeat in a heartbeat, but now it is time to do other things.

Although I have worn a lot of hats and done a lot of projects since I have been at the Statesboro Library, I must confess that one of my favorite duties has been to act as liaison to the Friends of the Library. This is such an active and concerned group. A perfect example of your concern for the library is the recent donation made by Friends to our automatic doors project. I have worked in other libraries where Friends are not so supportive. The leadership and creativity here should be a template for the state of Georgia.

Thanks for the opportunity to work with Friends of the Library. I will be watching as you do great things for the Statesboro Regional Library in the future.

Sincerely,

Cora

Annual Meeting



Lois Roberts and Cora Fay accept check for automatic doors.



Bob Phillips shares his reasons for becoming a life time member.

On May 11th at RJ's Steak House, the Friends of the Library held their annual meeting. After a wonderful meal we had a business meeting where members voted to accept changes in our constitution and by-laws. Lois Roberts, Library Director and Cora Fay, Library Assistant Director accepted a check from the Friends for \$10,955 to apply to the cost of installing automatic doors to the main entrance of the library. Our members responded with generosity to this project.

Nelda Bishop, Membership Chair recognized three new Life Members: Pat Gillis, Myrna Hood, and Robert and Mary Phillips. Bob Phillips inspired us all by relating the reasons he and Mary have chosen to donate their resources to the Statesboro-Bulloch County Library.

The FOL Executive board was introduced:

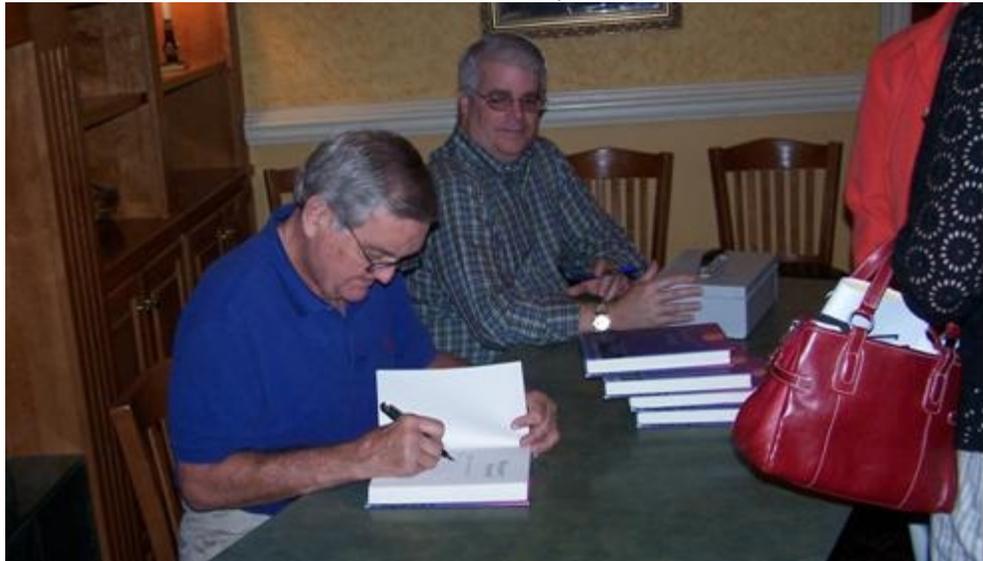
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Reed Smith introduces author, Dr. William Harris.



Treasurer Charlie Cox looks on as Dr. Harris signs his book.

The annual meeting ended with a program by author Dr. William Harris, a Savannah native who recently released a new novel entitled, Wassau Sound. Following his presentation, Dr. Harris autographed copies of his book.

2009-2010 Meet the Author Calendar

Lynn Lilly, our FOL Program Chair has confirmed the following Meet the Author programs this year:

Tuesday, September 1, 2009

Presenter: Nick DeBonis on, How to Build Your Business in Today's Economy. He is the author of *Value-Based Marketing for Bottom-Line success: 5 Steps to Creating Customer Value* and *Value-Based Marketing for Bottom-Line success: 5 Steps to Creating Customer Value*. He is also an Assistant Professor in the Communication Arts Department at Georgia Southern.

Tuesday, October 6, 2009

Presenter: David Dudley on, Writing and Getting Published. He is a published author himself of *The Bicycle Man* as well as the Chair of the Department of Literature and Philosophy at Georgia Southern.

Tuesday, January 5, 2010

Presenter: Lucy Adams is a syndicated columnist, humorist and author of *If Mama Don't Laugh, It Ain't Funny*.

Tuesday, March 9, 2010

Presenters: Hugh and Carol Nourse the co-authors of *Wildflowers of Georgia* and *Favorite Wildflower Walks of Georgia*.

The programs are held in the Community Room at the Statesboro-Bulloch County Library at 7pm. A reception follows each program.

Fall Book Sale

The Friends of the Library will be hosting the annual Fall Book Sale tentatively scheduled for October in the community room at the library.

Members Only Sale Thursday 10/1 5-7 p.m.

General Public Sale Friday 10/2 2-6 p.m.

General Public Sale Saturday 10/3 9am-2pm

If you would like to contribute books, audio tapes, CDs, DVDs, or videos, please bring them to the library any time before the sale. If you would like to volunteer to help set-up, clean-up or work during the sale, please contact Connie Sanders (690-0683).

It's Time to Renew!

Now is the time to renew your membership to the Friends of the Library.

During our June membership drive, we had 41 people pay their membership dues for the 2009-2010 year which began on July 1st. Since then, an additional 27 members have sent in FOL membership forms which gave us a grand total of 68 members... all before the membership year began! If you have not re-joined FOL for this year, please take a moment to complete the membership form available on our website (www.statesborofriends.org) and mail it to the address at the top of this newsletter with your check. There are also forms available at the Library. Our membership drive provides much needed funds for our work in supporting the library, its programs, and needed materials. A busy year is planned, and you want to be an active part of that year! Invite your family, neighbors, and friends to join the Friends group to support the library.

Nelda Bishop

A Word About Online Communication. . .

In an effort to conserve trees and money, we are attempting to communicate through email and our website as much as possible. We place all newsletters on our website as well as other pertinent information for our organization. Please check this website periodically, in case your computer security fire wall prevents our emails from getting to you. Do not hesitate to contact our president, Ceil Hardin (839-3150 or chardin@hardinsystems.org) if you have any difficulties receiving our online communications. We need you to be informed.

Upcoming Events

August FOL Board Meeting

National Library Card Month

Meet the Author-Nick DeBonis

Fall Book Sale at the Library

Meet the Author-David Dudley

October Board Meeting

Friends of Georgia Libraries Workshop

August 11 at 4pm at Library

September

September 1 at 7pm at Library

October 1-3

October 6 at 7pm at Library

October 13 at 4pm at Library

November 7 in Smyrna, Georgia