

Just Between Friends



A Note from the President...

Dear Friends,
In spite of the recent economic downturn, *Secondhand Prose* continues to be successful. The book crew reports large numbers of books, CD's, videos and other related used items being donated. The sorting of items and the stacking of the shelves keeps them very busy.

As you know the purpose of the Friends is to support the library with the proceeds from the sales. We are happy we can be of service at this time.

Thank you for your support in paying your Friends dues on time, contributing books and purchasing used books from *Secondhand Prose* and by spreading the word about our facilities to your relatives, neighbors and friends.

Peg Britz,
President, Friends of CPL

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From the CPL Staff ...a Thank you Letter

Dear Friends of Canton Public Library:

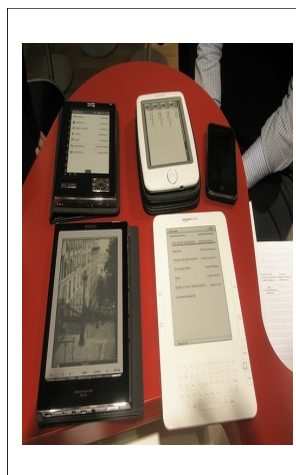
On behalf of our staff, may I thank you for your generous support and visionary outlook regarding our eBooks initiative.

The proliferation of affordable eReader devices has presented new challenges to our library staff. The reference desk fields many questions regarding the use of the devices and their compatibility with our ever-growing eBook collection. Staff thus requires hands on training in order to assist patrons. Given your support we plan to acquire multiples of dedicated eReaders including the Kobo, Nook, and Sony, as well as the iPad, a multimedia device.

These purchases will enable the staff to get to know the features of the device, practice downloading and transferring titles from our eBook collection, and, hopefully, an opportunity to do some e-reading so that they can better advise our patrons.

In addition, we plan to use the devices to hold show-and-tell sessions and programs for the public. The first eReader Users meeting is scheduled to take place in late April.

We are fortunate to have first-rate Friends who have shown us unwavering support through times good and bad.



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We truly appreciate what you have done for us. Without you as our Friends, many of our programs would not have come about or would have suffered. Again, we thank you for all of the wonderful work that you've done.

Sincerely,

Ophelia Lo
Adult Services Librarian
Canton Public Library

* An expenditure of \$3,000 was requested for the purchase of eReaders for the staff at CPL.

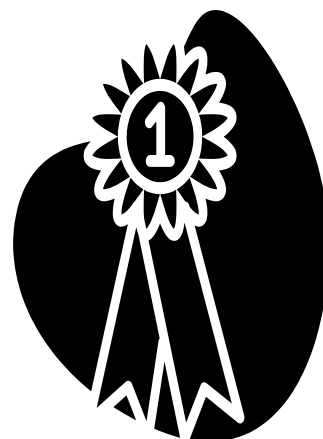
Volunteer of the Month!

We have outstanding volunteers, and we like to let them know!

Every month the names of our volunteers are entered into a drawing to win a \$25 gift card to Applebee's. Our winners for the last quarter are:

October: Jody Trame
November: Linda Wisniewski
December: Susan Watson

Thank you so much for volunteering your time and talent to Canton Public Library!
You are appreciated very much!



FOML Fall Workshop: Friends Linking Friends

by Kassi Gilbert

On October 20, 2010 over 100 Friends from Michigan libraries gathered at Novi Public Library to learn more about how to better serve their libraries.

Keynote speaker, Kent Oliver, Director, Stark County District Library, Canton, OH spoke about library advocacy and community involvement.

Larry Neal MLA President and Director, Clinton Macomb Public Library, Julie Farkas, Director, Novi Public Library, and Shirley Bruursema, Trustee, Kent District Library spoke about how to provide more support to our libraries.

John Oswald of Mission Based Books gave a presentation on online book sales, with Paul Snyder of Northville

Public Library sharing their experiences.

The afternoon ended with a networking session where Friends separated into groups to participate in workshops.

Four CPL Friends board members attended the workshop and brought back some great ideas that will soon be implemented at CPL. Stay tuned!

Financial Highlights

Income

Second Hand Prose	\$13,507.08
Donation Received	\$100.00
Membership Dues	\$905.00

Expenses

Infrastructure for Digital Studio	\$4,793.94
Convert Observer Newspaper to Micro-film	\$5,399.18
Cart for Second Hand Prose	\$284.91
Membership to FOML	\$30.00
Printing brochures & newsletter	\$460.50
Sales Tax	\$855.21
Supplies	\$246.00

Second Hand Prose Hours of Operation

Mon, Wednes, Thurs:
10:00 - 4:00 and 6:00 - 8:00
Fri: 10:00 - 4:00 / **Sat:** 10:00 - 2:00
Tues: "Friends Only" 2:00 - 8:00

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We are on the Web!
[http://www.cantonpl.org/
node/friends-library](http://www.cantonpl.org/node/friends-library)



Save the Date!

February 11, 2011

Friends of Michigan Libraries Workshop and Annual Meeting

We live in an online world, and we are constantly reminded that media is the message for conveying information and for bringing people together. What does this digital world contain that Friends might use to help support the library and also to recruit and retain members? Is this a world of confusion (all-a-twitter) or a world of digital opportunities? Is a Kindle in your future? Is Facebook the new face for your Friends organization? And what does it take to tweet or twitter?

Meeting takes place at Delta Township District Library, Lansing Michigan. Visit the Friends of Michigan Libraries website at http://www.foml.org/news_events.php for more information.

May 23, 2011

This year's author for the **Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Novi Book and Author Luncheon** is JEFFREY ZASLOW.

Jeffrey is a columnist for the Wall Street Journal and author or coauthor of three international best sellers: *The Last Lecture*, *The Girls from Ames*, and *Highest Duty*. He is now writing *The Magic Room*, a story about a small-town bridal shop in Michigan. For more information on Jeffrey go to www.jeffzaslow.com.

Tickets for the luncheon will be available from April 15 to May 15 at our library. Please join us for a delicious luncheon at Fox Hills Country Club to hear Mr. Zaslow speak. Mr. Zaslow will be available to sell and autograph his books.

2nd Wednesday of Each Month

Friends Board meetings!
Please RSVP:
734-397-0999 x 1079

Friends Sponsored Events:
2/14: Valentines Celebration
2/17: Chinese New Year

Visit CPL at
<http://www.cantonpl.org/>
for more information on
upcoming events and
services.

June 29, 2011

**Members Annual
Appreciation Dinner**
Details will be available in the next
issue of *Just Between Friends*

Friends of CPL Officers: President: Peg Britz, VP: Rhoda Wolshon, Secretary: John Spencer, Treasurer: Larry Hoelscher, Trustee: Bob Bulmer, Trustee: Linda Garrett, Trustee: Patty Jenkins, Trustee: Shirley Reynolds, Trustee: Nancy Spencer, Trustee: Bevis Richardson, Trustee: Kassi Gilbert

Check your mailing
label to see if it is
time to renew!



Great Libraries Need Great Friends!

Please recycle this newsletter by sharing with a friend, relative, or neighbor!

