



# THE Scenic Regional Library NEWSLETTER

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## Library Board Approves Design for Hermann Branch

The Scenic Regional Library Board of Trustees approved the final plans for the new Hermann branch at their March 16 meeting. The design was presented by Ken Scheer with Horn Architects in Washington.

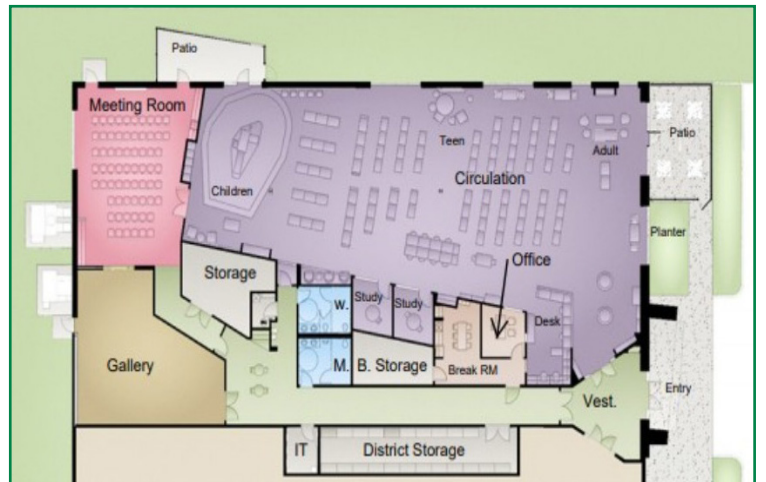
The new facility will feature a 1,000 square foot public meeting room; two exterior patios; a children's play area; two small study rooms; a 1,000 square foot community art gallery; fireplace; and other amenities. The library plans to begin

construction in the fall and open the new branch by late May 2022.

The library purchased the 25,000 square foot facility at 123 Bavarian Hills Plaza, which was formerly the Alco department store, in December 2018. Approximately 11,000 square feet of the building will be renovated, which will include systemwide storage and the art gallery. The library's plans include a complete overhaul of the existing building's exterior and resurfacing

of the 100-space parking lot. The library will seek tenants for the building's remaining 14,000 square feet. The total estimated cost of the project will be \$2 million.

The Hermann branch is the last component of the library's five-year, \$23 million systemwide building project. Once complete, the library will have doubled the square footage of its nine facilities, adding public meeting rooms, study rooms, and outdoor spaces at every location.



## New Warrenton Branch Manager

Angie Scott has been hired as the new manager of Scenic Regional Library's Warrenton branch. She began in the position on March 22.

Ms. Scott has a bachelor's degree in social work from the University of Missouri in Columbia. She previously worked at the Boonslick Regional Planning Commission, Warren County Handicapped Services, and the Warren County Juvenile Office.

Ms. Scott is a life-long resident of Warrenton, where she lives with her husband Josh and son Eli. She enjoys reading, watching movies, and traveling.

The branch's previous manager, Stephanie Hassler, resigned effective March 5.





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## Franklin County Administering COVID Vaccines at Old Union Branch

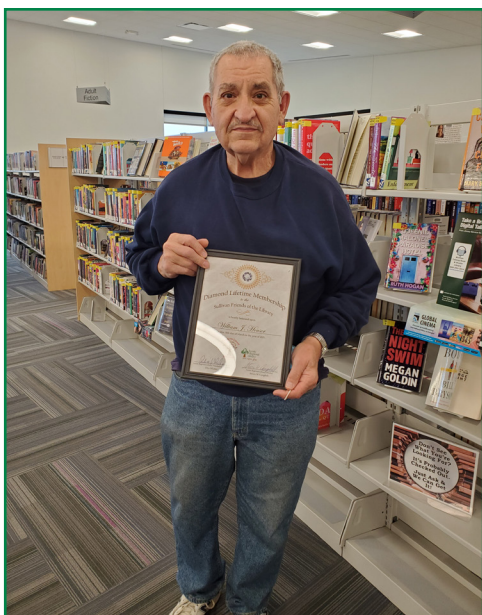
In early March, the Franklin County Commission approved a memorandum of understanding with Scenic Regional Library which will allow the Franklin County Health Department to use any of the library's six facilities in the county as COVID vaccination sites.

The Department has already utilized the agreement to provide vaccinations at the library's vacant former Union branch building (308 Hawthorne Drive). The building is twice the size of the Health Department's current facility and allows the Health Department to administer 300 vaccines a day. When the vaccines were being given at the Health Department, there was only space to administer 80 vaccinations per day. Beginning March 22, the Health Department began scheduling three vaccination events at the site each week.

The County is paying the library \$500 per month (using CARES Funds) for use of the facility, mainly to cover the cost of utilities. The old library building has been for sale since the new facility opened in September 2019.



A Franklin County resident receives her COVID vaccine at the old Union branch building.



In March, Sullivan branch patron William Houser donated \$500 to the library. He was awarded a lifetime membership to the Sullivan branch's Friends of the Library group for the generous gift. The donation will be designated for use at the branch. (Mr. Houser only removed his face mask briefly for the photograph.)

## Local Legislators Read Stories on Library's YouTube Channel

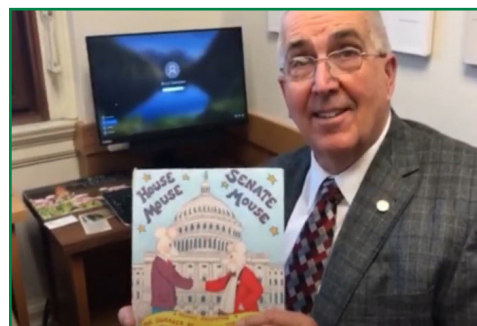
In the past, the library would invite local state legislators to read to children at storytime each year. This year, due to COVID restrictions, the library's storytimes have been only offered virtually. As a result, the library invited its local state legislators to record and submit a video of them reading a children's picture book of their choice.

The first legislator to submit a video was Missouri State Senator Jeanie Riddle (10th District), who read the picture book "The Little Green Turtle." Missouri State Representative Bruce Sassmann (District 62) also provided a video; he read the picture book "House Mouse, Senate Mouse," by Peter W. Barnes.

The two videos can be watched on the Library's YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/scenicregionallibrary](http://www.youtube.com/scenicregionallibrary). As other local legislators submit their videos in the coming weeks, they will also be posted on the channel.



Missouri State Senator Jeanie Riddle reading "The Little Green Turtle."



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## Scenic Regional and Washington Library Partner to Assist Teachers

The library and the Washington Public Library have partnered to offer a teacher's assistance service to educators in Franklin, Gasconade, and Warren counties. The free service, which launches April 1, allows teachers to submit a request online for their classroom and have library materials delivered to their school. (Teachers can also choose to pick up the materials at the branch or library nearest to their school.) When the materials are delivered, the teacher can also schedule a pickup time.

Teachers can request up to fifty items at

a time, including DVDs, CDs, books, and audiobooks. They can request specific titles or materials about a subject, such as "children's books about planets". Educators can also use the service to request materials to assist with lesson planning. The libraries ask that a teacher provide at least two weeks to fill a request.

The service is available to educators at preschools, daycares, private schools, and public schools. The teacher assistance request form can be found at [www.scenicregional.org/teacherform](http://www.scenicregional.org/teacherform).

**Teach assistance requests can be submitted at:**

[www.scenicregional.org/teacherform](http://www.scenicregional.org/teacherform)



Miss Lindsay traveled to Graham Cave, a local Missouri State Park, and decided to read bat-themed books to the bats themselves.



Virtual Kids Club on March 8 featured some kitchen experimenting using a blender and yummy ingredients. Miss Sherri demonstrated how to create three shake recipes.

## Library Offers Intro Video Classes for Word, Excel, and PowerPoint

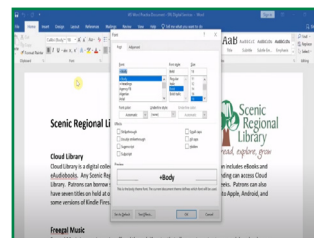


Patrons interested in expanding their computer skills can now do so on the library's YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/scenicregionallibrary](http://www.youtube.com/scenicregionallibrary). The library has posted three video courses: Microsoft Excel 2019: A Tour, Microsoft Word 2019: A Tour, and Microsoft PowerPoint 2019: A Tour.

Each video is approximately 20 minutes in length and gives an introduction on how the individual software is organized, with particular focus on the ribbon. A special playlist, called "Computer Classes" has been created on the library's YouTube channel in order to make it easier to find

the videos.

The classes are all presented by Stacy Emerson, the library's trainer. More classes will be added to the channel as they become available. Future courses will go into more depth on each particular Microsoft software, such as manipulating data in Excel, working with slides in PowerPoint, and document formatting in Word.



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## EVENT SCHEDULE

### •Welcome

1:00-1:10 PM

### •Denise Terriah

1:10-1:30 PM

"As It Ends" Dystopian fiction

[www.deniseterriah.com](http://www.deniseterriah.com)

Gasconade County

### •Shelly X. Leonn

1:30-1:50 PM

"The Ghost and the Wolf" Horror,  
YA fiction, Thrillers

[owlhollowpress.com/shelly-x-leonn/](http://owlhollowpress.com/shelly-x-leonn/)

St. Louis/Washington

### •Pat Wahler

1:50-2:10 PM

"I Am Mrs. Jesse James" and the Becker  
Family novels.

Historical fiction and Romance

[www.patwahler.com](http://www.patwahler.com)

St. Peters, MO

### •Deb Stratton

2:10-2:30 PM

"Urban Bigfoot" Fantasy fiction

Berger, MO

### •Ross Malone

2:30-2:50 PM

"Billy Bob's Howler" and "Missouri's  
Forgotten Heroes" YA fiction, Non-fiction

[rossmalone.com](http://rossmalone.com)

Union, MO

### •Cheryl Okimoto

2:50-3:10 PM

"The Blessed Winter" and "Shadows  
in Light" Christian fiction, Romance,  
Historical fiction

[www.cherylokimoto.com](http://www.cherylokimoto.com)

Salem, MO

### •Drawing and Conclusion

3:10-3:30 PM



## Virtual Author Event Featuring 6 Local Authors

Saturday, May 1, 1:00 - 3:30 PM

The Scenic Regional Library Foundation will be hosting Book Bash 2021, a virtual fundraiser event, on Saturday, May 1, from 1:00 to 3:30 PM. The event will feature six local Missouri authors, who will each talk about their books, writing process, or how they got published, and answer questions.

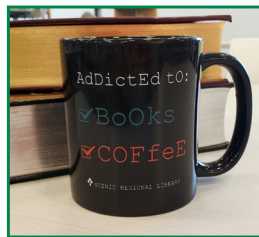
An e-ticket to the event can be purchased on the Foundation's website at [www.scenicregionalfoundation.org](http://www.scenicregionalfoundation.org) for only \$15. When a person purchases a ticket, they will be emailed the Zoom log-in information for the event. With each e-ticket purchased, attendees will be entered into a drawing for one of three prizes from the library's online gift shop—a t-shirt, mug, or tote bag.

Attendees can also post a photo of themselves reading a book on Saturday, May 1, before 2:00 PM, and tag the Scenic Regional Library Foundation's Facebook page @SRLFoundation to receive a second free entry into the prize drawing.

All ticket purchases are tax deductible. The funds will be used to support the library's plans to offer multi-session workshops at the library's branches for children, including topics such as theater/acting, music, robotics, creative writing/poetry, art, and yoga.



With each e-ticket purchased,  
you will be entered into a drawing for one of three prizes:



**\$15 per e-ticket**

Visit [www.scenicregionalfoundation.org](http://www.scenicregionalfoundation.org) to purchase your e-ticket today!



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## Library Seeking Photos for Bicentennial Photography Project

To celebrate Missouri's Bicentennial, Scenic Regional Library is compiling photographs of our beautiful state to create a slideshow presentation to share with our library patrons on our website, in our branches, as well as on our social media platforms. We will also be taking the top 25+ submissions and creating a wall collage in the shape of Missouri to display at our various branches throughout the year. Participation for the project is open to professional, amateur and photography hobbyists of all ages. No prizes will be awarded.

To submit an entry, email the photograph to [joermann@scenicregional.org](mailto:joermann@scenicregional.org). Please include a brief description, along with your name, age, phone number, city, the photo's location, and the year it was taken. If you cannot email your entry, please bring your photo into any Scenic Regional branch and staff will be able to email your image.

For full project guidelines, visit [www.scenicregional.org/missouri2021](http://www.scenicregional.org/missouri2021).



## East Central Area Literacy Council Hiring

East Central College Adult Education & Literacy has an opening for a part-time Coordinator responsible for providing program support to the AEL program. The coordinator will be primarily responsible for training and coordinating volunteer tutors. The coordinator also serves as a case manager for literacy students. Hours are 4 pm - 8 pm Monday and Tuesday, and 9 am - 1 pm, Wednesday and Thursday, with some schedule flexibility. This is a grant-funded position limited to no more than 17 hours per week. Reliable transportation and flexible hours both morning and evening required.

There are currently two part-time teaching positions (College and Career Readiness Instructor) open:

- Owensville – First Baptist Church:  
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm, year-round
- Sullivan – The Ridge Church: Mondays and Thursdays  
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm, year round

Minimum Qualifications: Completion of a B.S. or B.A. degree; fingerprint background check required; teaching or tutoring experience preferred. Starting salary for each position is \$17.00 per hour.

Visit [www.eastcentral.edu/ael](http://www.eastcentral.edu/ael) for more information, class times and locations.

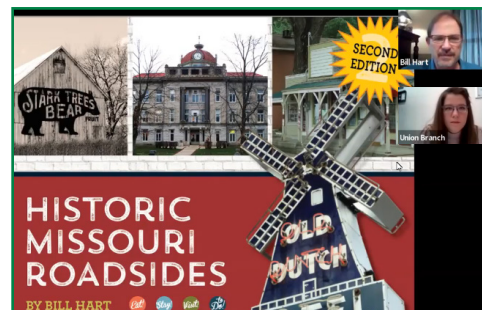


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Dianne Barnwell, library assistant, placing RFID tags in books at the Union branch. The library began placing RFID tags in books systemwide in late March. The library plans to launch the new RFID technology in the fall.



"Historic Missouri Roadsides" was presented virtually via our YouTube channel by Bill Hart March 18. The program focused on Missouri citizen-owned businesses.



Patrons were given step-by-step instructions on how to make a Highland favorite-Scotch Eggs!



Irish music and poetry were celebrated for St. Patrick's Day via a virtual presentation on our YouTube channel.



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March 25 patrons had the opportunity to learn how to make DIY Sock Bunny's to add to their spring decor! Take & Make kits were available for pick up at all the branches.



The Pacific branch made a "dress" display featuring significant women in history for Women's History Month, which is celebrated the whole month of March.

## Staff Spotlight: Lorrie Library Assistant, Warrenton



**How long have you worked for Scenic?**

Eight years.

**What made you want to work in a library?**

I have always found the value in the library from childhood on. There is just so much to be experienced and discovered.

**What do you wish more people knew about the library?**

The many resources that are available today compared to just 10 or 15 years ago.

**What is your favorite part of the job? Why?**

Helping patrons discover helpful and interesting things unknown to them previously.

**What upcoming virtual program are you excited about and why?**

Bird Nest Terrarium (Thursday, April 15, 5pm), because it will tie into spring all around us.

**What are you currently reading or what are you reading next?**

I always read through the new books about cooking, baking, crafts, sewing, and quilting.

**What is your favorite book? Why?**

The Bible, because it's the perfect manual for living.

**Is there anything else you would like people to know about you, your job, or your library branch?**

I would like everyone to know that the staff at the Warrenton Branch does an incredible job of supporting and helping each other. Everyone is always ready to step in and help when needed.

## "Page Turner Adventures" Virtual Programs for Kids

For nearly two decades, the dynamic duo behind "Page Turner Adventures" has been wowing audiences across the globe, and now you can see them in your own home! The library has partnered with this Emmy Award-winning organization to offer a 4-week virtual reading program for children. Kids can follow along to virtually participate in comedy shows, read animated stories, create crafts, and mix up some cool recipes.

Visit [www.scenicregional.org/kids](http://www.scenicregional.org/kids) to find programs on pizza, pirates and fairy tales!



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## april 2021 program guide: all branches

### VIRTUAL BOOK CLUBS

**Warrenton branch**  
Thursday, April 1 at 5:30 pm  
*The Library Book* by Susan Orlean.

**Pacific branch**  
Tuesday, April 13 at 6:00 pm  
*Refuge* by Terry Tempest Williams.  
Wednesday, April 14 at 10:00 am  
*The Liars' Club* by Mary Karr.

**St. Clair branch**  
Thursday, April 15 at 6:00 pm  
*The Guest List* by Lucy Foley.

**Union branch**  
Thursday, April 15 at 6:00 pm  
*The Princess Bride* by William Goldman.

**Hermann branch**  
Wednesday, April 21 at 4:30 pm  
*Grandma Gatewood's Walk*  
by Ben Montgomery.

**New Haven branch**  
Wednesday, April 28 at 5:00 pm  
*The Weight of Blood* by Laura McHugh.  
by Katherine Reay.

**Wright City branch**  
Wednesday, April 28 at 5:00 pm  
Discuss any book you've recently read.

### VIRTUAL STORYTIMES

**Herman branch**  
Tuesdays at 10:00 am

**New Haven branch**  
Tuesdays at 10:00 am  
3rd Saturday of month at 10:00am

**Owensville branch**  
Wednesdays at 10:00 am

**Pacific branch**  
Mondays at 7:30pm  
Thursdays at 10:00 am

**St. Clair branch**  
Thursdays at 11:00 am

**Sullivan branch**  
Tuesdays at 10:00 am

**Union branch**  
Tuesdays at 7:00pm  
Wednesdays at 10:00 am

**Warrenton branch**  
Tuesdays at 10:00 am  
1st Saturday of month at 10:00am

**Wright City branch**  
Wednesdays at 10:00 am  
Thursdays at 6:00pm

### VIRTUAL ADULT PROGRAMS

**DIY: Virtual Paint Pen Designer Mugs**  
Thursday, April 1 at 5:00 pm

**Bicentennial Program: Virtual Concert with C&S Folk Company**  
Thursday, April 8 at 5:00 pm

**Virtual Meditation with Melody**  
Friday, April 9 & 23 at 10:00 am

**Virtual Bird Nest Terrarium**  
Thursday, April 15 at 5:00 pm

**Virtual Show-Me State Parks & Historic Sites**  
Friday, April 16 at 10:00 am

**A Virtual Evening with Missouri's Poet Laureate**  
Thursday, April 22 at 5:00 pm

**Virtual 1904 World's Fair in Photographs**  
Thursday, April 29 at 5:00 pm

**Bicentennial Photography Project**  
Ask at the front desk for details.

**St. Clair Spice of the Month Club**  
Ask for details at the St. Clair branch!

**Owensville Seeds of the Month Club**  
Every first Tuesday-Ask for details at the Owensville branch!

## How Do I Access These Programs?

Since last summer, all library programming has been virtual due to COVID. While many people are disappointed that they can't enjoy the library's great programs with other people at their local branch, there are some great benefits to virtual programs. For example, you can watch them from the comfort of your home, maybe even snuggled under a blanket. If you're watching a virtual program and need some more coffee or tea, you can pause the recording and not miss anything. And, of course, if you miss a virtual program completely, you can just go back and watch the recording.

There are also many ways that you can experience the library's programs. We offer programming on a variety of platforms, including Zoom, YouTube, and Facebook. You can find all of our virtual storytimes exclusively on the branch Facebook pages, while our book clubs are gathering on Zoom (<https://scenicregional.org/how-do-i/find-a-book-club>). To access past programs, visit our YouTube channel ([www.youtube.com/scenicregionallibrary](http://www.youtube.com/scenicregionallibrary)), where you can find playlists for kids, teens, and adults. To find a full list of all library programming visit, <http://scenicregional.evanced.info/signup/Calendar>.

### VIRTUAL KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

**Virtual Kids Club**  
Every Monday at 4:00 pm  
4/5: Painted Rock Photo/Memo Holder  
4/12: Rainbow Grilled Cheese  
4/19: Dog Man Trivia  
4/26: Math & Art Five Point Star Designs

**Virtual Teen Program**  
1st Wednesday of Month at 4:00 pm  
4/7: DIY Ping Pong String Lights



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## Purchase a "Book" for the Donor Wall in Your Community's New Library

The Scenic Regional Library Foundation and Friends of the Library groups are selling donor wall "books", which will be placed in the entrance hallway of each new library building.

You can have your name, your family's name, or your business's name become a permanent part of the new library in your community. Donor wall "books" can also serve as a beautiful and long-lasting memorial for a loved one.

The cost of a donor wall "book" is based on the size of the book:

- 8" x 1½" book – \$100
- 10" x 2" book – \$200
- 9" x 3" book – \$300

Visit [www.scenicregionallibraryfoundation.org](http://www.scenicregionallibraryfoundation.org) or complete this form to place your order. The Foundation accepts debit and credit cards (online), checks, and cash (only for forms brought to the library) for donor wall "book" purchases.

Proceeds from the sale of the donor wall books are designated for the local Friends of the Library group and used to assist with the purchase of furnishings and equipment in their new building.

**Purchases are tax deductible.**

Donor wall "books" can be purchased throughout the construction project and will be unveiled at the grand opening of each new branch library.



## Scenic Regional Library Foundation Donor Wall "Book" Order Form

FIRST NAME		DATE	
MIDDLE INITIAL	LAST NAME		
STREET ADDRESS			
CITY			
STATE	ZIP CODE		
PHONE NUMBER			
EMAIL ADDRESS			
NAME OF INDIVIDUAL, FAMILY, BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION TO APPEAR ON BOOK			
BRANCH (Please select one) <input type="checkbox"/> Hermann Branch <input type="checkbox"/> New Haven Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Owensville Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Branch <input type="checkbox"/> St. Clair Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Sullivan Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Union Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Warrenton Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Wright City Branch		SIZE OF BOOK <input type="checkbox"/> 8" X 1-1/2" - \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> 10" X 2" - \$200 <input type="checkbox"/> 9" X 3" - \$300	
OFFICE USE ONLY Date received: _____ Amount received: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Check # _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cash			

Mail this form (or drop it off at your local branch) with your personal check or money order to:

Friends of the Library  
251 Union Plaza Dr.  
Union, MO 63084





## SCENIC REGIONAL LIBRARY FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

April 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022 Membership Year

All information submitted is considered confidential and will never be given or sold to any other individual, company, or organization.

If this membership is for you, please provide <b>your</b> information; if this membership is a gift for someone else, please provide <b>their</b> information:		
FIRST NAME		MIDDLE INITIAL
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<b>BRANCH AFFILIATION</b> (Please select one)  Friends of the Hermann Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Friends of the New Haven Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Friends of the Owensville Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Friends of the Pacific Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Friends of the St. Clair Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Friends of the Sullivan Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Friends of the Union Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Friends of the Warrenton Branch <input type="checkbox"/> Friends of the Wright City Branch <input type="checkbox"/>		<b>LEVEL OF MEMBERSHIP</b>  Bronze – \$10 <input type="checkbox"/> Silver – \$25 <input type="checkbox"/> Ruby – \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> Gold – \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> Platinum – \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> Diamond* – \$500 <input type="checkbox"/>  *Lifetime Membership
<b>WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?</b> (Select all which apply)  Volunteer at the Fall Book Sale <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer at the Spring Book Sale <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer at other events <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer at my local branch <input type="checkbox"/> Serve on the local Friends of the Library's Governing and Planning Committee <input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Office Use Only</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> New Application <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal Date Received: <input type="checkbox"/> Check # _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cash Amount Received:

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