

Friends of the Novi Library April 2017



Book Nook News:

The feature shelf is currently stocked with Playaways selling for \$3 each. Each Playaway is a self-contained audiobook and weighs only two ounces. You can listen anywhere you go. You supply a AAA battery. Then plug in your headphones and enjoy.

January monthly sales total was \$1630.46, February monthly total was \$1834.70 and March was \$2205.73. In the last 6 months we have seen a downturn in sales. We anticipated this based on the popularity of e-readers. We encourage your donations and thank you for your support.

Can you Help?

The Friends Promotion Committee is looking for individuals who can help with promoting the Friends group and with fund raising ideas.

With Book Nook sales down, we need to expand into other areas to continue to keep our support for Library programs strong.

The committee is especially interested in someone with social media skills to help further their efforts.

For more information call Vicky McLean 248-533-8775.

What's New:

This year's scholarship winner is Sarena Grace Lanyon. She plans to pursue a degree in Secondary/History Education at Michigan State University in the fall. Sarena maintained a GPA of 3.83 during high school while participating in many school activities and being active in the community.

At the Board meeting in April the Friends Board decided to make some changes to our yearly Friends Appreciation event. In the last few years the events have become fairly costly even with donations. We have decided to have an event every five years with wine, food and music. The next one will be in 2020. This year in August we will have "An Afternoon with Friends". Look for details in the coming months.

Julie Abrams, a long time Friend of the Library, died March 1, 2017. Most recently she was secretary on the Friends Board until 2015 and was always an active member. She was very active in the community tutoring and teaching literacy classes. A scholarship fund has been established in her name. Donations can be sent as follows:

Novi Youth Assistance
Julie Abrams Scholarship Fund
45175 W 10 Mile Rd
Novi, MI 48375

Another longtime Friend and past Board member Jerry Bauer, husband of Carol Bauer – Friends treasurer, died at his home on December 3, 2016. Our deepest condolences to both families.

Mark Your Calendars - Events:

April 27 – **Kaleidoscope** - Discovering and Sharing Detroit's History, Mysteries and Surprises by Paul Sewick, Thursday, 7-8:30 pm

May 10, 2017 – Friends Board meeting, 7-9:00 pm

May 23 – **Kaleidoscope** - Performance and History of Bagpipers, Bagpipes & Bagpipes Music, Tuesday, 7-8:30 pm

June 14, 2017 - Friends Board meeting, 7-9:00 pm

July 12, 2017 – Friends Annual Meeting, 7-9:00 pm