



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Monroe County Public Library Foundation Annual Report 2015

June 22, 2016

Our Mission

The Friends of Monroe County Public Library support the mission, vision, and values of the Library. The Friends

advocate for Monroe County Public Library and support library collections, services, programs, and staff development.

Our Commitment

For 50 years, the Friends of the Library has raised funds to help the Library provide a wide range of opportunities for lifelong learning, enrichment, and enjoyment for everyone in the community. In 2015, 674 families and businesses made contributions to the Friends. On December 31, 2015, 400 individuals, families, and businesses were members of the Friends of the Library. In addition, Friends and community members made 400 donations to the Campaign for Excellence, and 199 general donations to the Friends.

Campaign for Excellence

Thanks to the generosity of 400 people, and a matching grant from the Smithville Charitable Foundation, the 2015 Campaign for Excellence raised a record total of \$78,167 including some gifts received early in 2016. The 2015 Campaign will fund a variety of books, supplies, and programming for children, teens, and adults at the Main Library, Ellettsville Branch, and Bookmobile, volunteer recognition items, and staff development. The Campaign provided funding for the Maurice Sendak Memorial Exhibit as well as extra funds for Outreach Services. Special thanks to our honorary co-chairs, Cullen and Rachel Peden McCarty, who enthusiastically involved their whole family to make this Campaign the most successful ever, assuring that our Library remains a dynamic center for literacy, reading, and enjoyment for all ages in our community.

Some of what the Friends of the Library made possible in 2015:

- *The Power of Words: March* with John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell and a host of related programs to inspire all ages
- *Find Your Superpower at the Library* the Summer Reading Program for 4,086 children
- The Winter Reading Program, *A Good Book and Cozy Spot*, for teens and adults
- Coffee with Friends guest speaker series
- Annual meeting speaker James Madison, *Two Hundred Years (Almost) of Indiana History*
- Friends 50th Birthday celebrations: Best Friends Forever Party & Level Up & Ground Floor tours; Friends history display at Monroe County History Center; Family Birthday party at Main & Ellettsville with music, dance, games, crafts
- Equipment for Digital Creativity, Learn & Play, and Tween spaces
- Children's programs at Main Library and Ellettsville
- Community outreach: equipment and supplies for the Bookmobile and Homebound Delivery
- Programming and supplies for teens and adults
- *Every Child Ready to Read* materials. Sensory storytimes and other early literacy initiatives
- Book club kits, family films, *New Movie Mondays*
- MCPL staff training/professional development
- Meet patron requests for books and AV materials
- MCPL Volunteer Recognition; Anabel P. Newman VITAL Volunteer Award
- Support for VITAL workshops, tutor training, instructional materials, and Quiz Bowl

Our Thanks

We thank all who served on the Board in 2015 for their service to the community through the Friends. We thank our members who for 50 years have been committed to the public library with their generous gifts of both volunteer time and financial support.



Monroe County
Public Library

Main Branch

303 E. Kirkwood Ave.
Bloomington, IN 47408
812-349-3050

Ellettsville Branch

600 W. Temperance St.
Ellettsville, IN 47429
812-876-1272



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Friends of the Library
303 E. Kirkwood Ave.
Bloomington, IN 47408-3534

Friends of Monroe County Public Library 2015 Financial Summary

Income

Bookstore Sales	\$80,880
Campaign for Excellence (<i>received in 2015</i>)	72,606
Grants Received for MCPL	43,615
Special Events (<i>Power of Words, Author book sales</i>)	27,206
Memberships	20,770
Investment Income	21,558
Other Restricted Gifts	8,571
Unrestricted Gifts	7,493
Interest Income (<i>Checking, CDs</i>)	153
TOTAL INCOME	\$282,852

Expenses

Total Support for MCPL:	\$150,210
Annual Grant to MCPL	60,000
Distribution of Outside Grants	43,615
2014 Annual Campaign Gift to MCPL	42,043
Other Distributions to MCPL (<i>Restricted gifts</i>)	3,753
Library Staff Recognition	699
Anabel Newman Award (<i>VITAL volunteer</i>)	100

Friends Expenses:

Payroll (<i>Board Secretary</i>)	31,724
Bookstore (<i>Payroll, credit card fees, supplies</i>)	31,092
Special Event Expenses (<i>Power of Words</i>)	26,660
Printing	2,348
Program Expense (<i>50th Birthday, FOL programs</i>)	3,735
Professional Services (<i>Accountant</i>)	1,600
Postage	1,073
Promotional Expense	1,218
Bank Charges and Bad Checks	636
Office Supplies	198
Fees (<i>Association Memberships</i>)	139
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$250,633

Assets

General Endowment Investment Fund	259,325
Archie M. Koon Fund	100,845
Checking Account	83,799
Certificates of Deposit	52,701
Diane Breeden-Lee Fund (<i>Children's Endowment</i>)	32,578
Ruthmarion Becker Endowment (<i>VITAL</i>)	28,480
Judith Serebnick Endowment (<i>Adult Services</i>)	26,842
Hilliard Lyons Endowment (<i>Collections</i>)	26,143
Community Foundation	24,068
Sarah C. Thrasher Endowment	10,895
Inventory for Sale (<i>Bookstore gift items</i>)	5,394
Sara Laughlin Endowment (<i>Staff Development</i>)	5,134
Undeposited Funds	153
TOTAL ASSETS	\$656,357

Our Library

In 2015 there were 982,904 visits to our Library (Main Library, Ellettsville Branch and Bookmobile) with a circulation of 2,559,408 items. Downloadable items account for 11% of total circulation. The Library had 72,663 cardholders, provided 2,367 programs to 63,957 people, and 180,721 public internet computer uses. 2,801 volunteers donated 12,022 hours of their time. Website visits exceeded 8.8 million as visitors accessed online library resources and databases. The Friends of the Library provided program funding, materials, prizes, and more to enhance patrons' visits. The new digital creativity center and teen space were recognized by the American Library Association in its 2015 Library Design Showcase.

2015 Friends of the Library Board of Directors

President: John Baumert

Vice-President: Jerry James

Secretary: Andrea Singer

Treasurer: Jack Deinlein

Board Members:

Tom Bitters	Julie Martin
Katy Brown	Patrick Murray
Shirley Fitzgibbons	Sue Polsgrove
Michael Galimore	Sharon Pugh
Sheila Gerber	Linda Ripperger
Diane Gregory	Jodie Sackley
Stephanie Holman	Denise Shockley
Becky Hrisomalos	Nancy Stockwell
Gretchen Knapp	Cherry Williams

Board Meetings of the Friends

The Friends of the Library Board has regular meetings on the 4th Wednesday of each month with a break in July.

Friends Employees

Bookstore Coordinator: Mike Burns

Office Manager: Mary Jean Regoli

