

# FRIENDS OF THE MANSFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

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## WE'RE BACK! AND WE'RE GOING TO BE BUSY!

Hope you all had a great summer!

September marks the return to busy schedules for many of us. Be sure and mark your calendars for our general Friends meeting on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:00.

On September 14<sup>th</sup> we will be recognized at the Mansfield City Council meeting. Find the announcement of our big award on page 2 of this newsletter. Our library will also be recognized as a recipient of the Excellence in Libraries Award. Come show your support!

Then, on September 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 the Reads! committee will meet to narrow down the selection choices and start the planning for the seventh annual Mansfield Reads! event in April 2010. It's not too late to join the fun! There are many ways to help. Come see what you can do!

Speaking of marking your calendars, National Friends of Libraries Week is October 18-24. We begin our annual membership drive during this week and this year we hope to do some new things to spotlight our fabulous Friends!

The date has been set for the second annual Mansfield Writes! event. We've moved to a Friday night, November 6<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 pm. We will need volunteers that night so come to the 9/8 meeting to sign up! Thanks to member Diane Kelly for all the work she has done behind the scenes to line up an outstanding panel of authors. This is going to be awesome! You can already reserve your spot on the Friends website. Click on the Mansfield Writes! link to get the scoop.

See you soon!

## YOUR OPINION COUNTS!

Please take our Mansfield Reads! survey. Go to [www.mansfieldreads.org](http://www.mansfieldreads.org).

Scroll to the middle of the page and click on the survey link. Didn't read the book? We want to know why. Would you attend if we charged an admission fee for the author event? Your responses are anonymous, it is multiple choice, and it only takes 10 minutes. Your opinions will be important to future planning.



### NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Friends will be Tuesday, September 8th at 5:00 p.m. in the community room of the library.

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### WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW!

We have been alerted that most everyone did not receive the May edition of the newsletter so we are sending it again along with this month's edition. We don't want you to miss anything!

Our Bookstore has been racking up record sales this summer! That means we are short of materials so please donate your gently used books to us when you can. Many thanks to volunteer Karen Simone and the other Friends members who keep those shelves up to date. Your hard work is paying off!

Our own aspiring author, Diane Kelly, was recently awarded the Golden Heart by the Romance Writers of America for her manuscript *Death, Taxes and a French Manicure*. Congratulations, Diane!

### CONTACT US

Remember, you can contact us with comments, address updates, etc. at  
[friends@friendsofmansfieldlibrary.org](mailto:friends@friendsofmansfieldlibrary.org)

### WE WON!

**THE FRIENDS OF THE MANSFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY  
 HAVE RECEIVED THE BEST FRIENDS AWARD AGAIN!**

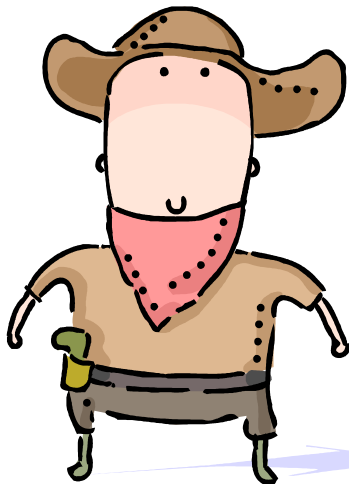
THE FRIENDS HAVE BEEN NAMED WINNER OF THE BEST FRIENDS AWARD IN THE CATEGORY OF PROGRAM PUBLICITY FOR OUR PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS FOR THE 2008 MANSFIELD READS! PROGRAM, WHICH FEATURED *FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS*. WE ARE VERY PROUD TO RECEIVE THIS NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR THE SECOND TIME. OUR PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS REFLECT WHAT A GREAT PROGRAM WE HAVE!

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## **MOST WANTED:**

# **YOU!!!!!!!**

**Officer elections are in  
 November. Please consider  
 putting yourself up for  
 nomination.**

**Your Friends group needs  
 you!**



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Library Hours:  
 Monday, Tuesday and Thursday:  
 10 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday and Friday:  
 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
 Saturday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
 Closed Sunday