

FRIENDS of the Mansfield Public Library

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The "Gnominations" are in!

During National Friends of Libraries Week, we kicked off a brand new one-year membership drive. We're "gnominating" people in the community for membership by sharing ceramic garden gnomes that have attached instructions for becoming a Friend, or "gnomie homie" as they are being called during this campaign.



New and renewing members are being encouraged to snap their photo with the gnome and post it on the Friends Facebook page as well as their own. Gnome recipients can then "gnominate" someone else by passing the gnome along.

The results from the first two weeks of the campaign have been outstanding! We have had more than 40 responses, received some very nice donations and our Facebook page traffic increased 488%! Be sure to check out the posted photos. We have some really cute "gnomie homies"!

Don't wait to be "gnominated"! If you've not yet renewed, click the [Join/Donate](#) tab on the webpage to renew today. You can also drop by the library and fill out a membership form there. Join in November and get two months free! Your membership will continue through 2013.

Be a "gnome homie"!

SAVE the DATE!

Wednesday,
December 12th
4-8:00 pm
Barnes & Noble
at the Parks Mall

Our second annual book fair and gift-wrapping event will take place at Barnes & Noble at the Parks Mall. Choirs from Timberview High School and Perry Elementary will perform while Friends volunteers do free gift wrap for store customers. Barnes & Noble provides the materials, and we get to keep any tips we make!

This is the perfect time to do your gift shopping because we will earn a percentage of almost every purchase made using our special "book fair ID code". Even purchases made in the Starbucks café (including Cheesecake Factory cheesecakes) count!

The ID code is also good on purchases made online Dec. 12 – 16. Mark your calendar and start making your gift list. We can earn a very nice present for the Friends checking account!

Barnes & Noble Book Fair ID Code: 10872638
In Store Dec. 12 Online Dec 12 - 16

FESTIVE Instead of having a business meeting in December, we'll be decorating the tree in the library! Date TBA.

Hello! I'm Sarah Thomason, and I'll be taking over the newsletter-making for a while. I'm currently finishing my degree and hope to pursue a career in publishing one day. I have a goofy dog named Lucy, and my to-read pile is taller than I am. Happy reading and see you all soon!

Mansfield Writes! What's Happening Now

Nearly 100 people turned out for the 4th annual Mansfield Writes! event at the library on October 19th. A huge thank you and a big round of applause to event chair Diane Kelley! She really is what makes this event happen. Thanks also to the Friends volunteers who helped out at that night. See comments and photos on the website and our Facebook page.

We especially want to thank our authors! Check out their latest works at their websites:

Melissa Bourbon/Misa Ramirez
www.misaramirez.com

Diane Kelly
www.dianekelly.com

Judy Lee
www.mansfieldnewsmirror.com

Liz Lipperman
www.lizlipperman.com

Carlton Stowers
<http://www.truecrime.net/carltonstowers>

Wendy Lyn Watson
www.wendylynwatson.com

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Find us on Facebook

Friends of the Mansfield Public Library

The Friends recently completed an audit of our records for 2011. We're happy to report no abnormalities with just a couple of very minor notations. Great job Treasurer Diane Kelly and Secretary Stacey Guttman!

The Friends ongoing used book sale continues to be our major source of funding for our donations to the library. We have earned over \$5,300 since January this year! Friends member Karen DeSimone gets major kudos for keeping our kiosks in the lobby stocked!

Mansfield Reads! chair Jenny Elliott reports that we are close to naming our author for the 10th anniversary Reads! program. The selection committee has been working diligently to find a book and an author that will make this our biggest and best event yet! You can still sign up to help with planning. There are lots of jobs to do! Just send an email to friends@friendsofmansfieldlibrary.org.

The Friends want to thank member Sharman Miller for providing lunch for the volunteers who helped to set up the National Friends of Libraries Week display. It was delicious! We also want to thank staff member and Friends liaison Annette Weber for surprising us with a delicious dessert in our honor! We "worker bees" really appreciate you both!

MOST WANTED NEW MEMBERS



We're looking for energetic, book-lovin' folk who enjoy good company and working for a good cause.

For more information, contact us at friends@friendsofmansfieldlibrary.org



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<http://www.mansfield-tx.gov/departments/library>

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Friends-of-the-Mansfield-Public-Library/100587926685047>

Library hours of operation

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 10 am - 6 pm

Tuesday, Thursday: 10 am - 8 pm

Saturday: 10 am - 4 pm

Sunday: CLOSED