



# Newsletter

## Summer 2011

Summer has finally arrived! After our very cool Spring it is most welcome to have the sun shining down on us finally. As we head out to the lake, the beach, the camp site or wherever make sure you have some reading material with you. If you are into ebooks you can check some out to your ereader from the excellent selection on the [Library Without Walls website](#). Happy Reading everyone!

### JUNE BOOK SALE

*June 25-26, 2011*



Nellie McClung Branch, 3950 Cedar Hill Rd  
Saturday June 25, 5 pm-8 pm – \$3.00  
Sunday, June 26 – 9 am-1:30 pm free admission  
**PLUS** -1:30 - 3 pm – all you can carry for \$5.00  
*All proceeds support Library programs and services.*

### BOOK SALE – March 26-27, 2011

The March book sale was a great success raising \$4,505.20 for GVPL programs. Many thanks to our wonderful volunteers who turn out time after time to ensure the success of the sale. The next sale will be June 25-26, 2011.

### JUNE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Friends held their AGM on Thursday, June 9, 2011, at 7 pm in the Central Library meeting room. It was wonderful to see the members who attended. The following people were elected to the Friends Board for 2011-2012:

Deborah Begoray	President
Carol Martin	Vice-President
Gary Shearman	Past-president
Audrey Prendergast	Secretary
Terry Sandwith	Treasurer
Jim Scott	Book Sales Coordinator
Mary Goodspeed	Friendshop Manager
Linda Vance	Membership Coordinator
Tamara Dean	Volunteer Coordinator
Kathy Anderson	Web-site Coordinator
Jacqui Ward	Newsletter Coordinator
Corinna Gilliland	Publicity Coordinator
Adrienne Wass	Social Convenor/Coordinator
Jennifer Peters	Member-at-large
Tanya El-Lakany	Member-at-large
Eleanor Wallace	Member-at-large
Renee Bauert	GVPL Liaison
David Alexander	GVPL Board Liaison

Welcome to our two new Board members – Jennifer Peters and Eleanor Wallace.

After many years of dedicated leadership and volunteering, Victor Allen decided to resign from the Board this year. Many thanks from all of us for his years of hard work and dedication to the Friends. Victor will continue as a member of the Friends.

Due to increasing costs a motion was proposed to increase the membership fees for the Friends and to add a new category for students. The motion was passed and the new fees will be effective September 1, 2011:

- individual membership \$15
- family membership \$25
- supporting membership \$40
- Life membership \$150
- Student membership (with ID) \$10

### **2011-2012 GVPL WISH LIST**

This year our fund-raising efforts will be directed towards this year's Wish List:

1. Blu-ray collection start up \$10,000
2. Additional ereaders (20 readers) \$10,000
3. Dr. Bruce Andrews Community Outreach Award \$ 5,000
4. Best Babies Early Literacy Community Outreach Project \$ 5,000
5. Summer Reading Club (to become standing item) \$ 2,000
6. Preservation of Local History materials \$ 500

### **LITERACY OUTREACH PROGRAM**



*Madeline and Avi in the bookmobile*

Madeline Bakker of Project Literacy Victoria and Avi Silberstein of the GVPL gave a presentation on the Literacy Outreach Program at our April 14 meeting. This program provides reading material to marginalized people within the community with their bookmobile which visits The Mustard Seed, Our Place and other institutions. The program is supported by the GVPL and the Friends. More information on Project Literacy is available at <http://www.literacyvictoria.ca/>.

### **PHIL EDMONSTON**

The Friends and the GVPL presented a talk by Phil Edmonston, author of the Lemon-Aid books, on May 12 at the Victoria Truth Centre. Entitled “*Good Buys in a Bad Economy*” the talk was well received by the many people who attended. Copies of his latest book were available for purchase courtesy of Munro Books.



*Maureen Sawa, Linda Vance, Phil Edmonston, and Adrienne Wass*

### **THE LIBRARY BOOK, by DAVID OBE**

To mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the BC Library Association, David Obee has written a wonderful book on the history of libraries in British Columbia. The book covers everything from the first libraries to ereaders and is richly illustrated with 300 photographs. It is available from the BC Library Association for \$50.00 - <http://www.bcla.bc.ca>

### **ELIZABETH REX AT LANGHAM COURT THEATRE**



Elizabeth Rex by Timothy Findley, directed by Judy Treloar, will run from June 8 - June 25, 2011 at the Langham Court Theatre. Queen Elizabeth I spends the night with Shakespeare's company of actors, before the dawn execution of the Earl of Essex. Wit, drama and a performing bear populate this award-winning play by one of Canada's greatest writers.” For show time details and tickets visit <http://langhamcourtheatre.bc.ca/index.html>

### **HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF THE GVPL**

The GVPL Board is engaged in preparing a new strategic plan for 2011-2013 which will help them determine the future direction of your public library- [Take the online survey](#) to contribute your ideas – available until June 21, 2011.

*Don't forget to check out the Friends website at <http://gvplfriends.ca/>  
And check out our [Facebook](#) page too*