



# Newsletter

## June 2010

### **IN REMEMBRANCE**

In May we lost one of our long-time members, John Gilliland.



John and his wife Corinna joined the FOL almost 20 years ago and have given unstinted support and assistance to the FOL, including serving a term as President on the FOL Board. John could be seen at every book sale cheerfully helping and searching out books to add to his personal collection. He was also active in the Langham Court Theatre and was an amateur magician. John will be missed by all of us at FOL.

Frank Milligan, a former FOL Board President, also died in May.

### **BOOK SALE – MAY 2009**

Total sales for the May book sale were \$4,089.09. This is especially good as the Times-Colonist book sale was a mere two weeks before our own. Many thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who helped make the sale another success. Our next book sale will be a Children and Teens' Book Sale on July 18 at the Nellie McClung Branch.



### **CHILDREN AND TEENS' BOOK SALE**

**JULY 18, 2010**

9 am - 1:30 pm - free admission

1:30 - 3 pm - all you can carry for \$5.00

Nellie McClung Branch, 3950 Cedar Hill Rd

This is a special sale of children and teens' books only.

***All proceeds support Children and Teens' library programs and services***

### **SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR KIDS AND TEENS**

For kids 12 and under check out the Summer Kids Programs at GVPL

***Reading Rocks! SRC 2010***

<http://www.gvpl.ca/assets/PDF/Program-Guides/Kids-Guidesummer2010.pdf>

For Teens check out this and other teen programs at GVPL

***“Get into Character” with the 2010 Online Teen Reading Club!***

<http://www.gvpl.ca/assets/PDF/Program-Guides/Teenguidesummer2010.pdf>

***Note: Online registration is now available for all GVPL programs!***

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & BOARD ELECTION**

Our AGM and Board election was held June 10, 2010. Many thanks to all who came out and supported us.

Acting CEO Lee Teal of the GVPL gave an update on the search for a new CEO and the GVPL facilities plan. The plan is expected to become the basis for future development of the library system.

The 2010 Wish List was circulated to everyone. Items wished for this year are:

- eBook Readers – background information and demonstration presented by Rina Hadziek – it is proposed to purchase a pilot collection – eBook readers are already being used by libraries in the USA and other countries.
- MP3 CDs for Talking Book collection – to replace the older audio-cassette sets with newer, more universal formats.
- Summer Reading Club Incentives for Children and Teen Services.
- Mind/Body Health for Older Adults audio/video collection – to purchase games directed at our older population to improve mental and physical capabilities and health.
- Preservation of local history materials – funds to assist with the on-going need to preserve vital local history resources.
- Family friendly furnishings – to replace very dated and old furnishings in the children/family areas.

*Election of new Board*

The FOL Board for 2010-2011 is:

Deborah Begoray	President
Carol Martin	Vice-President
Treasurer	Terry Sandwith
Secretary	Audrey Prendergast
Tamara Dean	Volunteer Coordinator
Jeanne Kent	Web Site Coordinator
Linda Vance	Membership Coordinator
Jacqui Ward	Newsletter Coordinator
Tanya El-Lakany	Social/Catering Coordinator
Corinna Gilliland	Publicity Coordinator
Charles Crossland	Member-at-large
Gary Shearman	Member-at-large
Victor Allen	Ex-officio Past President
Jim Scott	Ex-officio Book Sales Coordinator
Mary Goodspeed	Ex-officio Friendship Manager

Yoka Bailey, Michael O'Hagan and Victor Allen stepped down from the Board this year. Both Michael and Victor have given many years of service to the FOL and our heartfelt thanks go to them for all their efforts and the time they have devoted to FOL. Yoka looked after our finances for many years, and we thank her for keeping us on the straight and narrow. Victor will continue to be part of FOL as Past President.

**FRIENDSHIP**



After 17 years Fredi McComb is retiring from the FOL Board and giving up her regular shift at the Friendship. She will stay on the spare list for replacement shifts.

*Thank you Fredi for your many years of time, service and loyalty to the FOL. We will miss you!*

**NEW FOL WEB SITE**

Gary Shearman has set us up with a new website. Please note the new URL and email address below. All FOL information and brochures are being updated with the new information:

*Web site: [www.gvplfriends.ca](http://www.gvplfriends.ca)  
email: [info@gvplfriends.ca](mailto:info@gvplfriends.ca)*

**DISCARDING LEFTOVER BOOKS AFTER BOOK SALES**

Questions have been raised as to what happens to books left over after the book sales. The FOL makes every effort to ensure that as many books as possible are distributed throughout the community. For instance, after the last book sale leftover material went to:

- Seniors' homes – large-type material was picked up by volunteers from these organizations.
- Friendship – clean, donated non-library books were selected to be sold through the Friendship.
- Charity – children's French books were set aside for donation to a charity in Haiti.
- Children's Book Sale – children's books were repacked for the July sale.
- September Book Sale - valuable adult books were repacked for the September sale.
- Recycling - very out-dated non-fiction and technical books or well-worn paperbacks and older fiction and non-fiction were recycled.

**DIVERSIONS**

And finally, a website called **Our Roots - Canada's Local Histories Online** has the *1890 Catalogue of Books in the Free Public Library of Victoria* – fascinating to see where it all started and what they were reading back in 1890 - <http://www.ourroots.ca/e/toc.aspx?id=3031>

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