



Focus on Friends

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Join the Friends

Annual Membership

Individuals

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| Student | \$5 |
| Individual | \$15 |
| Family | \$30 |
| Supporting | \$60 |
| Patron | \$100 |
| Sponsor | \$500 |

Business Sponsors

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| Diamond | \$500 |
| Platinum | \$400 |
| Gold | \$300 |
| Silver | \$200 |
| Bronze | \$100 |

Friends meet the Third Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Pflugerville Community Library, 102 10th Street.

Next meetings:

February 15

March 15

April 10 (Annual Mtg.)

April 19

May 17

2010 Officers

- Dana Leary
President
- JoAnne Thornton
Vice-President
- Audrey Dearing
Treasurer
- Tamya Isenberg
Secretary

Editor: Pam Stephenson

HAPPY 30TH BIRTHDAY FRIENDS OF PCL

2011 marks the 30th year since the Friends of the Pflugerville Library organized.

In 1981, the Friends of the Pflugerville Community Library organized as a 501(3)c, not-for-profit. Its objective— to establish a public library to serve the Pflugerville community to include the entire Pflugerville Independent School District.

Friends accomplished their goal, opening the first library in 1982. Since then, the library was donated to the City of Pflugerville and continues to grow. The PISD now encompasses more than 96 square miles serving a population of more than 105,500 according to the 2008 American Community Survey.



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR 2011

Join or Renew your 2011 membership in Friends now.

Membership dues are now being accepted by the Friends for 2011. Members or those wishing to become members can complete a Membership Form, available at the library, or on our website, and submit it to the Friends with appropriate payment. The different categories for membership range from \$5 for students to \$500 for Sponsors. These are listed to the left.

All members are invited to attend the annual meeting of the Friends, April 10, 2011, to be held at the library. Board meetings are held monthly and open to the membership.

Friends help with funding acquisition of new books and materials for the collection, supporting summer reading program events, volunteering services to the library and providing additional equipment and furnishings not covered by City budget allocations.

Join us as we focus on raising funds for the new expansion of the library, scheduled for opening in summer 2012.

LIBRARY EXPANSION UPDATE: Vitetta Group design team conducted design charettes during 2010. After space assessments and conferences with staff, Vitetta Group prepared a design which has been accepted by the City. Construction bids and selection of a construction firm are expected in May 2011. The new library is scheduled for completion by May 2012.

A graphic rendering was presented to the City Council in November 2010.



Graphic rendering showing the new main entrance to expanded library facilities facing W. Pfluger Street.

Courtesy City of Pflugerville



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Friends,

This year the Friends celebrates 30 wonderful years of supporting the Pflugerville Community Library, an exciting milestone!! We are looking forward to sharing our joy with the Pflugerville community.

Our annual membership meeting will be April 10. We will discuss our continuing support of the library and the fund-raising challenges for the library expansion.

2010 was busy for the Friends. We had two major goals and proudly accomplished both. Our first and primary objective was to continue our support of the library. We sponsored part of the summer reading program, purchased books and supplies, and recognized library volunteers. All the "Volunteers of the Quarter" have their photos on our Volunteer Wall in the Library lobby and received gift cards in appreciation of their service.

Our second goal was expanding our visibility in the Pflugerville community. We participated in city council work sessions for the library budget, the planning sessions for the library expansion, the Deutschenfest parade, Germanfest, and the Holiday Stroll. We installed the Friends' History Wall in the library lobby, displaying the story of the Friends' since 1981.

To maintain our financial support of the library, we had several fund-raising activities, including two new ones. We opened "Buy the Book," our continuous used book sale, in July; and, we sold our "first in a series" Christmas ornaments, depicting historical sites in Pflugerville. We held our membership drive, our semi-annual used book sales (netting \$5,000), and our sales of book bags and history book, *Pflugerville: A Heritage to Remember*.

Thank you for your continued support of the library through volunteerism and membership in the Friends. Without you we would not be able to accomplish our goals. We look forward to working with you this coming year. Please check our website regularly for more details of events and updates.

Dana Leary, President

BUY THE BOOK SUCCESSFUL

The **Buy the Book** has proven to be a successful venture for the Friends. The continuous used-book sale is located behind the circulation desk in the library. It offers great bargains of both hard cover and paper back books.

Since it was launched in July 2010, more than \$500 has been raised, with all proceeds benefiting the library.

Using the honor system, patrons can purchase books by placing their payments in the cash box located on the shelves.

Check out the **Buy the Book** often as newly donated books are added weekly.



Audrey Dearing, Dorothy Kraemer, Dana Leary, JoAnne Thornton and Pam Stephenson officially open **Buy the Book**.

LOOKING BACK: BARBARA "MUFF" AND PHIL PHILLIPS

Active in the early years of the Friends were Muff and Phil Phillips.

Muff, as she was fondly known, served as President of the Friends before the library was donated to the City of Pflugerville. She and her husband, Phil were strong supporters of the library. Muff was known to hand-write and type many of the catalogue cards for the library until it was automated in 1995.

Muff's business, called M&M Specialties, provided items for highway construction such as barricades, blinkers and netting. Through her business, Muff purchased the first shelves, desks and chairs used by the library at great savings to the Friends. Many of the shelves are still in use today.

Nadine Whiteley and Muff were the driving forces for the many garage sales conducted by the Friends to raise funds to support the library.

At the library dedication with Laura Bush in attendance, the flagpole, in front of the PCL, was dedicated in memory to Muff and in appreciation of her years of hard work on behalf of the Friends and her beloved library.

Without these dedicated volunteers, the Friends and the Library would not be here today, benefiting so many.



Muff and Phil Phillips with daughter, Melanie.



For more information about the Friends, see our website: www.friendsofpflugervillecommunitylibrary.org