



## FRIENDS of FRANKLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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See Franklin Public Library and Friends' links at <http://www.libdex.com>

An insert to Franklin Public Library's "Check It Out"

**November-December, 2002**

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### **Calendar**

Nov. 13 7:00 p.m. Whose Woods Are These: The Poetry of Place, a program presented by Judith Strasser, of Wisconsin Public Radio. Register at the Information/Reference Desk in the Library.

Nov. 18-24 Children's Book Week coincides with  
**Franklin Public Library's 22<sup>nd</sup> Birthday!**

Nov. 21 and Dec. 19 at 6:45 p.m.  
Friends' Meetings. **NOTE** both meetings on third Thursdays, not our usual fourth Thursday.

Nov. 28 Thanksgiving



### **Dec. 8 CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING**

5:00 to 7:00 p.m. See our new library decorations!

**Brown Baggers'** Book Discussion 12:30 p.m.

Nov. 19 **All Quiet On The Western Front**

by Erich Maria Remarque

Dec. 17 **Chocolat** by Joanne Harris

**Knight Readers'** Book Discussion 7:00 p.m.

Nov. 14 **Stolen Lives** by Malika Oufkir and Michelle Fitoussi. Note, no meeting in Dec.

**Author Appearances** in the metro Milwaukee area, check the website,

<http://www.schwartzbooks.com/>

You can sign up for email through their site too.

### **IT'S FOR THE BIRDS** - Sat., Nov. 16, 2:00 p.m.

A sunflower and pine cone bird feeder program will be led by Judy Roberts and Diane Oleson, respectively, on November 16 at 2:00 p.m. A Wehr Nature Center volunteer naturalist, Cathie Mann, will talk about birds and their feeding habits in conjunction with the craft projects. David Beine, present President of Friends, and also a member of the Wehr Astronomy Club, has arranged the speaker. Please register in advance so we know the amount of supplies and refreshments to purchase. This program is sponsored by the Friends.

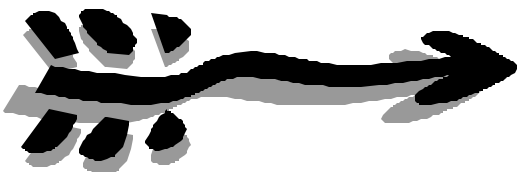
**VOLUNTEERS** are needed to help set up and serve the refreshments and to assist the speakers in their presentations. We are asking any Friends members who can volunteer some time on Nov. 16 to come forward and call Judy Beine, at 421 3490, or be put on a volunteer call list at the library. The Information Desk Librarian will take your registration for volunteering and for the program. We will be setting up the Fadrow Meeting Room and would appreciate your help and enjoy the program as well.

### **ANNUAL Book Sale a Success!**

Terrence Berres estimated from the total sales of \$1,885, that Friends sold about 6,000 items. Terry and his volunteers' set-up and take-down time totaled perhaps 150 hours. Several volunteers also staffed the check-out table as well. Having the sale in the Fadrow Meeting Room, a much larger space than in past years, encouraged shoppers to shop longer and buy more. The space also made sorting much easier. We could cart books from place to place rather than carry them by hand. Several organizations were given the remainders from our sale. Thanks to the many people who helped with the sale. That came not only from there being so many more people buying books, but from so many people working on the project. A BIG thank you to all of our volunteers, donators and buyers.



**Fall is upon us fast** We had a lovely summer and now the season of autumn is in full swing. Judy Roberts brought her energies to two pumpkin decorating sessions at Franklin Public Library on Saturday, Oct. 19. Several dozen youngsters and, surprisingly, many Dads, along with Moms and a Grandma or two, came to decorate (not carve) pumpkins grown by Judy and her husband, Ray. Judy Roberts is well known to many Franklin-Knights, having been a member of the Common Council for many years and also a past President of Friends. Judy has recently retired from kindergarten teaching, a position she held for 30+ years. Over the years she has gained several laundry baskets full of various ribbons, pipe cleaners, doodads, buttons, lace, hats, birds, fans, brick-a-brack, you name it she had it. The children, and adults, got into the spirit of "Stewartizing" a pumpkin and they proudly took their pumpkins home. See the photo page in this issue and also please look for the photo display at the library. Judy has also taken on a new job, medical transcription work with St. Francis Hospital, having completed 30 credits at MATC and earning a certificate. Her Friends' volunteer assistants were Diane Oleson, Anita Nickerson, Shirley Koehler, Virginia Pete and Julia Kurlinski. Judy Beine took photos for the Friends of the Library. Friends sponsored the decorating program and welcome Judy Roberts' leadership and her assistants' participation. Thank you Judy for your pumpkins, your decorations, your time and especially, your talent.



A relatively new magazine for book lovers is <http://www.bookmarksmagazine.com/index.html>  
The video from its publishers' appearance on C-Span is available on the web.

### **Top Nonfiction Books this Fall**

MSNBC/Newsweek states there have been 150 books published on 9/11 and its aftermath. One of the just published top books is **Heart of a Soldier: A Story of Love, Heroism and September 11th** by James B. Stewart. This is the story of the extraordinary life of the security chief of Morgan Stanley in one of NY's twin towers. Cyril Richard Rescorla was born in Cornwall, grew up in England during WWII, served in the British Army in Cyprus and at the urging of an American, joined the U.S. Army and served valiantly in Vietnam. It is also the unfolding of a life, his love for the stories of Kipling and adventure, his becoming a U.S. citizen, his falling in love and his battle with cancer. Sounds like this true story has a lot of the elements of a book I'd like, and maybe many of you. We urge the book buyers at Franklin Public Library to put this book in its lending collection.

Another new book, much closer to home, is **Firestorm at Peshtigo**, by Denise Gess, a novelist, and William Lutz, a historian, and published in August. On Oct. 8, 1871 — the same night of the Great Chicago Fire, whose death toll was 250 — a vast wildfire devastated the small sawmill town of Peshtigo on the Green Bay and took the lives of 1,200 to 1,800 people. There is a museum in Peshtigo, in a former church, that tells the story from some of the fragments of those lost people's belongings. This book tells how the conditions were ripe (and predicted at the time by Increase Lapham, a weather forecaster and early settler of Milwaukee) for a ravaging fire to take place. If you liked *The Perfect Storm*, this may be another real life thriller for you. We also urge the Franklin Public Library to purchase this new book.

#### New Fiction

- John Updike has a new book out **Seek My Face**.
- Paul Auster has **The Book of Illusions**
- Anna Quindlen's **Blessings**
- **From a Buick 8** by Stephen King and
- Pat Conroy has a new book out **My Losing Season**. So when is the next Harry Potter out?



### **The Nobel Prize for Literature**

In his will, Alfred Nobel stated that prizes for Literature be given to those who, during the preceding year, "shall have conferred the greatest benefit on mankind" and that one part be given to the person who "shall have produced in the field of literature the most outstanding work in an ideal direction." The prize, therefore, is not associated with one particular book, but bestowed upon an author who produces works consistent with Nobel's vision. The prize amount is 10,000,000 Swedish Crowns, or \$1,069,861.99 US Dollars.

<http://www.nobel.se/index.html>



### **The Pulitzer Prize**

The much-coveted Pulitzer Prize, named after Hungarian newspaper publisher Joseph Pulitzer, honors books that depict the positive and negative aspects of the human condition, with preference going to those which portray American life. The prize money is \$7,500. For most recipients of the Pulitzer prizes, the cash award is only incidental to the prestige accruing to them and their works. See the full list at [www.pulitzer.org](http://www.pulitzer.org).



### **The PEN/Faulkner Award**

The PEN/Faulkner Award lets writers award their peers for excellence in writing. A panel of three American novelists judges over 200 entries each year. It is named after Pulitzer Prize for Literature winner and Nobel Laureate William Faulkner, and associated with the international writers' organization PEN. The award is worth \$15,000.

### **Booknotes**

Sundays at 7:00 p.m. & repeats 10:00 p.m.  
on Time-Warner, C-Span, Ch. 99, in Franklin

Nov. 3 Caryle Murphy, *Passion for Islam: Shaping the Modern Middle East: The Egyptian Experience*

Nov. 10 Frank Williams, *Judging Lincoln*

Nov. 17 Rick Atkinson, *An Army at Dawn: The War in North Africa, 1942-1943*

<http://www.booknotes.org/home/index.asp>

### **Encore Booknotes**

On BookTV, airs Saturdays at 6 p.m. & Sundays 10 p.m. on C-SPAN2 Ch. 8, in Franklin

Nov. 2 Vernon Jordan, *Vernon Can Read! A Memoir*

Nov. 9 Joseph Persico, *Roosevelt's Secret War: FDR and World War II Espionage*

Nov. 17 Herbert Bix, *Hirohito and the Making of Modern Japan*

<http://www.booktv.org/booknotes/>

**Chapter A Day** on WHAD 90.7 on your FM radio dial, Wisconsin Public Radio, heard M-F at 12:30 p.m. and repeated at 11:00 p.m.

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Monday, Oct. 28 through Friday, Nov. 8

**Theodore Rex** by Edmund Morris read by Jim Fleming. Theodore Roosevelt served two terms as President (1901-1909) and looms large in American history. This volume of Morris' biography picks up with the shocking moment when the assassination of William McKinley thrusts the young (he was only 43) Teddy into the national limelight. The imaginative and compelling Morris brings to life a subject worthy of every American's interest. Musical theme: "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight" and "Chickin's Crowing at Midnight" from Marvin Gaster: Uncle Henry's Favorites.

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Monday, Nov. 11 through Friday, Dec. 6 **The Dive from Clausen's Pier** by Ann Packer, read by Catherine Brand. A novel about loyalty and self-knowledge. Carrie Bell has lived in Wisconsin all her life, but at age 23 she has begun to feel suffocated. When an accident injures her boyfriend, she has to face her fears and desires. Is it a sign of strength or weakness to walk away from someone in need?

Monday Nov. 11 through Friday Dec. 6

**Niagara Falls All Over Again** by Elizabeth McCracken, read by Catherine Brand. A "relentlessly eventful, rollickingly funny and heartwarming narrative," McCracken's novel reveals a pair of vaudevillians in all their glory.

<http://www.wpr.org/chapter/>

### **Websites of Interest**

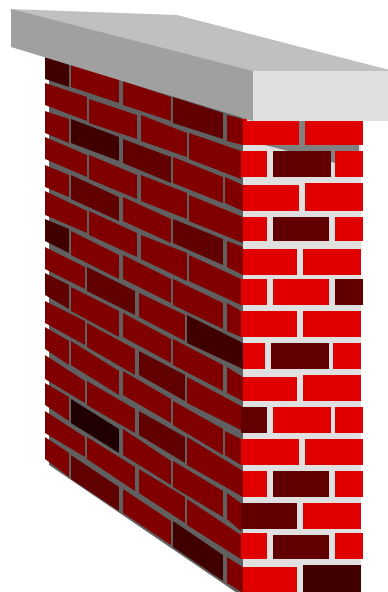
**CarePlanner** - <http://www.careplanner.org/> A decision support tool for seniors, caregivers, family, friends, and professionals to help seniors and caregivers understand options for "successful living and care choices" that are appropriate to a variety of circumstances. Nicely organized, clear language, easy to use. From the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Created by: kgs - Librarians Index to the Internet.

**Into the Wardrobe: A Web Site Devoted to C.S. Lewis** - <http://cslewis.drzeus.net/> Clive Staples Lewis was the author of the Narnia series, as well as many other books, both fiction and non-fiction. This site offers current news, biographies, articles about Lewis and his writings, links to other Web sites, and much more. Registration is required to post in the message forums. This site is considered unofficial, but does have the endorsement of Lewis' stepson. Created by: smb - Librarians Index to the Internet.

**Popcorn!** - <http://www.popcorn.org/> Recipes (over 40) and nutrition, arts and crafts, a short list of fiction and nonfiction children's books (in Kids section), classroom suggestions, and more--all relating to this "popular" snack food. Created by: mg - Librarians Index to the Internet.

### **BBC Learning**

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning/courses/> The BBC Learning Web site is now providing a series of short online learning courses for persons hoping to gain a helpful introduction to a number of topics. Current courses include Becoming Webwise; How to be a Gardener; and several on history, including Victorian Britain. Particularly helpful are the short courses in German, French, Italian, and Spanish. All of the different language courses are accompanied by audio and video clips so that users will have more of a comprehensive and holistic understanding of the language in context. For those looking for an introduction to a number of subjects, these learning tools will prove quite valuable. KMG - The Scout Report.



### **BOOK a BRICK, LAST CHANCE.....**

Don't forget to order your brick. An order form is attached. **FINAL BRICK ORDERS WILL BE PLACED YET THIS YEAR. IF YOU WANT TO PRESENT SOMEONE WITH A BRICK AS A GIFT, WE CAN ARRANGE THAT! @ YOUR LIBRARY.**

### **FRIENDS NEED MORE FRIENDS:**

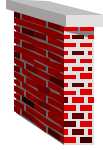
Our dues are structured as follows:

- Individual \$5.00
- Family \$10.00
- Benefactor \$50.00
- Organization or Business \$25.00

Dues are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Bring or mail your dues with your name, address, telephone number and email address to Franklin Public Library, Attention: Virginia Pete, Membership Chair, Friends of Franklin Library. Our membership year runs from our annual meeting in May.

### **Editor's note**

Readers, if you have any comments, trivia, events, criticisms or news items to add to the FOFL's newsletter, please communicate them to anyone on FPL's staff or to your editor, Judy Beine, 421-3490. Email is fine too. [jbeine@wi.rr.com](mailto:jbeine@wi.rr.com) We will consider all submissions.



# BOOK-A-BRICK

Engrave your name on a commemorative brick and become part of our new library.

**Sponsored by the Friends of the Franklin Public Library -- all funds raised will be used to purchase additional books, furniture and equipment for the new library.**

- ❖ Each brick will be engraved with the inscription of your choice. Some suggestions: name(s) and date, in memory or honor of a family member or friend, in recognition of a business or organization. The inscription will be epoxy filled and have a lifetime warranty.

Donations to the Friends of the Franklin Public Library are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by the law.

Detach and mail the order form below to:

And MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE to

Friends of the Franklin Public Library Book-A-Brick Program

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 or JONES FAMILY = 12 characters = \$50.00  
 or DAVID JONES = 11 characters = \$50.00  
 or MARY and DAVID  
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Pumpkin decorating on October 19, 2002 with Judy Roberts

