



FRIENDS of FRANKLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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

May-June 2005

Antique Quilts Program

Thursday, May 12th, 6:30 pm

Liz Lois of Salem, Wisconsin will present several dozen antique quilts and their stories. Liz Lois is a former quilt shop owner who has collected antique quilts from interesting sources. Attendees are encouraged to bring your own antique quilts and share those stories too. Sponsored by the Works of Heart Quilters and the Friends of the Franklin Public Library. Cost: \$2.00 at the door. Submitted by Judy Roberts.

The 4th of July and Friends of the Library

The Books for Soldiers Program sponsored by the Friends will be a major feature in the City of Franklin 4th of July Parade. **Karen Grochowski**, Books for Soldiers' Franklin Coordinator, has been selected to be **Franklin's Parade Marshall**. Look for Karen in our 4th Parade, probably in a convertible right after the lead police patrol car, followed by Friends of the Library supporters carrying a Friends' banner.

Any Friends of the Library members and library staff are welcome to help carry the Friends' banner supporting the Books for Soldiers' Project. Call Judy Roberts, 421-8983, to volunteer.

How can you help Karen Grochowski continue her Care Packages for Soldiers? Stop in at the library and purchase a pillowcase, or 2 or 3, for gifts or for your own use. They are all in attractive patterns, some patriotic. Or, choose to send one to a soldier in a care package. All monies received are being used for postage costs. Remember, Mother's Day is coming up. Mom would love a pillowcase when she knows the purchase price will send some things to a soldier defending freedom.



BRAVO BATTERY MOMS with Care Paks
L-R: RoxAnne Baumann, Sue Peterson, Mary Cohodes, Karen Grochowski, Mary Siegrist.

Pillowcases will be available for purchase in Lion's Legend Park on July 2, 3, and 4. Karen and her brigade of volunteers will also be present in the park on July 2, 3, and 4 to collect items for the care packages. Look for the Books for Soldiers area. Items most requested and needed are DVDs and CDs, which many soldiers share and enjoy (can be gently used). Beef jerky, Energy Bars, powdered drink mix, and Mach 3 Razor Blades are also often requested. See the collection barrel in the library near the entranceway glass display case.

If you donate larger packages of food items because they are more economical, please be sure that the packages contain all individually wrapped items. We will divide them among many care packages. For more info on donations and/or volunteering, call Karen Grochowski at 529-3149.





News from the Friendly Quilters Guild... On April 4, 12 members of the Friendly Quilters Guild went on a road trip to Sun Prairie, WI for their Quilt Show. Some of the comments from the ladies that went on the trip: "What a display of wonderful quilts!" "This was sure a lot of fun!!" "Let's do this again!!" "How could anyone make this intricate pattern on a quilt?" "This must have taken MANY months to do!" "I'm overwhelmed by all of these terrific quilts!" "I am inspired by all of the beautiful work that these quilters have done!!" "I think that I'd better start sewing when I get home!!" For more inspiration, there are quilt shows coming up -- Reading Between the Stitches through March 5, 2006 at the Outagamie Museum in Appleton (same museum as Houdini), Mt. Horeb Fall Heritage Festival Quilt Show on Oct. 1 and 2 at the Mt. Horeb Community Center and The Quilt Expo, Sept. 15-17 at the Alliant Energy Center Exhibition Hall in Madison. Happy quilting from Julia Kurlinski.

FRIENDS' Annual Meeting: May 19, 2005
at 7:00 p.m. Fadow Room
Proposed Slate of Friends' Officers for May 2005-2006

President:	Judy Roberts
Vice-President:	Don Dorsan
Secretary:	Marjorie Pagel
Treasurer:	Karen Brehm
Director:	Shirley Koehler
Director:	Rita Bruders
Director:	Julia Kurlinski
Director:	Terrence Berres
Past President:	David Beine

Members at Large:	
Judy Beine	Newsletter
Sharon Holden	Cooking, Children's Programs
Sandy Wojtecki	Tree Lighting Ceremony

Learn to Fail

There are many books on the market to teach you how to succeed, but the library has recently purchased three books to teach you to fail.

- ***How to Ruin Your Life***
- ***How to Ruin Your Love Life***
- ***How to Ruin Your Financial Life***

These three tongue-in-cheek books by Ben Stein explain how people can ruin their lives. As Mr. Stein explains, failure is often a road map to success—in reverse. Mr. Stein has seen many ordinary people make great successes of their life by doing the opposite of what is advised in these books.

How to Ruin Your Life advises you to assume that you are the center of the universe—the only who matters in any given situation. There are 35 steps that if followed can ruin anyone's life. This book is warning about falling into traps of self-destructive behavior.

In ***How to Ruin Your Love Life***, there are 44 easy-to-follow steps to definitely ruin your love life. The most important thing to remember: *Anyone is incredibly, unbelievably lucky to have you in his or her life. Just for this unworthy soul to be associated with you is such a grand honor that you don't really need to pay any further attention to his or her desires.*

How to Ruin Your Financial Life was recommended at a financial seminar that I attended recently. I personally have seen many people follow this advice and can guarantee that people who follow this advice will fail. Topics include *collecting as many credit cards as you can and using them frequently, competing with your friends to see who can spend the most, lending money to your friends—especially your boyfriend or girlfriend, and save only when you feel like it—if you don't feel like saving, don't!*

Many of us may know Ben Stein as the host of ***Win Ben Stein's Money***, a long-running quiz show. He is also a former White House speechwriter, a columnist, trial lawyer, law school professor, actor, scriptwriter, and novelist. He lectures nationally on finance, politics, and how to improve your life.

Books reviewed (and hence recommended ?) by Friends member Shirley Koehler.



David and Judy Beine, President and Vice President respectively of Friends for 8 or 9 years, have been elected co-Presidents of Friends of Wisconsin Libraries for a three-year term. We did such a good job hosting last year's FOWL Spring meeting that the reigning President, Sr. Mary Ellen Paulson, asked us to consider running for office. We did and we won the election! We will still be around Franklin Friends but due to new duties leading and supporting all of Wisconsin's Friends, we are not running for re-election in Franklin's Friends. As you can see from the proposed slate above, you will be in very capable hands. Consider becoming involved, it's a great way to get know other like-minded bibliophiles in our community.

Notes from Friends' Book Nook

Chair Diane Oleson

The best-selling items are the newer books and paperbacks. Diane also reports she now has an outlet for the Reader's Digest condensed books. And most important, Diane reminds all donors that we do not want books that have been stored in damp basements. The paper absorbs all the moisture and then becomes moldy and stinky. PLEASE, we cannot accept those tainted donations.

May Day

The fair maid who, the first of May
Goes to the fields at break of day,
And washes in dew from the hawthorn tree,
Will ever after handsome be.



"The Fair Maid Who the First of May" painted for *St. Nicholas* by Arthur Rackham. Frontispiece, May 1913, (Vol. 40, No. 7, p. 576), c. Arthur Rackham. Illustration for "The Nursery Rhymes of Mother Goose." These lyrics reflect the traditions associated with Mayday. Mayday in England was a holiday and the opportunity to indulge in some raucous fun. A queen of the May from the eligible young women of the village, to rule the crops until harvest and from this the tradition of beauty pageants may have evolved. It is believed that May Day celebrations date back to pagan ceremonies enacted by the Druids. The eve of May Day, is celebrated in many parts of Europe as Walpurgisnacht when it is believed that on this night witches are free to roam the world and cast spells. <http://www.rhymes.org.uk/a83-the-fair-maid.htm>

May 3 – Our new Library's Third Anniversary

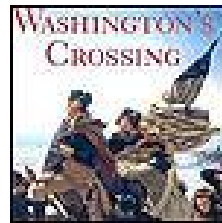
May 8 - Mother's Day

May 30 - Memorial Day

June 14 – Flag Day

June 19 – Father's Day

2005 Pulitzer Prizes - Letters & Drama
Fiction: *Gilead* by Marilynne Robinson.
Drama: *Doubt, a Parable* by John Patrick Shanley.



History: *Washington's Crossing*
by David Hackett Fischer.

Biography: *de Kooning: An American Master*
by Mark Stevens and Annalyn Swan.

Poetry: *Delights & Shadows* by Ted Kooser.

General Non-Fiction:

Ghost Wars: The Secret History of the CIA, Afghanistan, and Bin Laden, from the Soviet Invasion to September 10, 2001 by Steve Coll. – Coll's new book, *Ghost Wars*, looks at how the CIA's involvement in Afghanistan helped fuel Islamic militancy and give rise to Osama bin Laden's al Qaeda.

KNOW THE LINGO

Do you know what an ethernet is? How about an extranet? How does an internet differ from an intranet? What do those letters following the (period or dot) in a file name denote? For definitions and descriptions of thousands of words used in the online world of business, technology, and communication go to: www.netlingo.com/ One page has a list of 266 Smileys and Emoticons (a sequence of typed characters that creates a rough picture of something). You can subscribe to a monthly e-newsletter containing new terms and newsworthy items. So if you are :-S (confused) or :-/ (frustrated) or having a ~\8-O (bad hair day), let NetLingo help you become :-)) (really happy). [From the Grafton Library's The Library Connection.]



The 100 Favorite Literary Characters [The Independent Online Edition]

<http://enjoyment.independent.co.uk/books/features/story.jsp?story=616202> *The Independent* (UK newspaper) asked leading British authors which literary characters gave them the greatest reading pleasure. An intriguing question that libraries could center programs and online discussions around. Neat New Stuff I Found This Week, <http://marylaine.com/neatnew.html>, Copyright, Marylaine Block, 1999-2005.

At the Craft Table - http://familyfun.go.com/arts-and-crafts/season/specialfeature/spring_crafts_ms/ Spring ideas for outdoor crafts, Spring fashions (crafts) and indoor crafts.

Gumshoes, Sleuths & Snoopers -

<http://libweb.lib.buffalo.edu/kelley/KelleyAdvanced.asp> This site "provides an in-depth look at 185 detective and mystery novels originally published during the period 1930-1960. It is the result of a collaborative effort in which volunteers ... provided detailed information about plot, setting, characters and other thematic factors for each title." Browse able, or searchable by title, publisher, cover artist, and other factors. Includes images of book covers. From the University at Buffalo, the State University of New York. From "Monday Memo" prepared weekly by staff at Hedberg Public Library, Janesville.

This is for all English, ESL teachers and linguaphiles aka English lovers. **Reasons why the English language is so hard to learn:**

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- 4) We must polish the Polish furniture.
- 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present
- 8) A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
- 9) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 10) I did not object to the object.
- 11) The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
- 12) There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
- 13) They were too close to the door to close it.
- 14) The buck does funny things when the does are present.
- 15) A seamstress and a sewer fell down into a sewer line.
- 16) To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- 17) The wind was too strong to wind the sail
- 18) After a number of injections my jaw got number.
- 19) Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.
- 20) I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- 21) How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?

Source: forward as an email from a teacher.

WANTED: historian type scrap booker who can put together all the collected memorabilia, news clips etc. that are a story in themselves for Friends. Please contact Barbara Roark, Library Director, or Judy Roberts, incoming President, 421-8983 or jaroberts@wi.rr.com

WANTED: someone interested in continuing this newsletter. The library staff prepares "Check-It-Out" six times a year and we Friends do this "insert" at the same time. Please contact either Barbara Roark or Sue Wilson on Franklin Public Library's staff, or contact your present editor, Judy Beine, at 421-3490, or jbeine@wi.rr.com