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Dollars and Sense

College students throughout the country know all too well that the average cost of buying textbooks for just one semester of college is at least \$400—and that’s if you can buy some of the books used at your campus bookstore. Three women in Pennsylvania, however, found a way to beat the textbook system. For less than the cost of one student’s textbook order from their campus bookstore, they were able to drive down to the Friends Bookstores in Montgomery County, buy their textbooks for the semester, and spend the day in the Nation’s Capital sightseeing and enjoying DC’s local flavors. The trips were far less costly than even just going online to scour eBay and online booksellers for deals—and much more fun.

Students aren’t the only ones to take advantage of the budget-saving finds at the bookstores—with the recent snowstorms, several customers found themselves purchasing over \$100 in used books! While that sounds like a lot of money, just imagine what it would be like at your local “regular” bookstore. Many of FOLMC’s used books are priced under \$2, and these titles can cost anywhere from \$8 to \$15 at regular price. Even hardcovers, which tend



Customers at the bookstores spend their Sunday afternoon browsing through thousands of books from every genre.



The Rockville Bookstore is located on Boiling Brook Parkway, next to the KosherMart.

to go for a couple dollars more, are 90% or more off the list price at our used bookstores. The same customer purchasing \$100 worth of books at the Friends store could have easily spent \$1000 for those same books at a mall bookstore! Not only does a hundred dollars go much further at the Friends store, but the proceeds help our local libraries.

The bookstores are the perfect place to find new-to-you books, whether for work or pleasure. All three bookstores also accept donations on a daily basis and offer tax receipts to those who donate. For people with large collections, FOLMC can arrange to pick up the books. One man trying to clean an estate after his relative died was practically giddy with relief when the Friends came by to pick up the over 2,500 books. The books go to good homes through the bookstores, where others can find and appreciate them. Donors get a tax break, and the funds from the sales help fund programs and technology for MCPL.

You can find books of every genre, in conditions from like-new (some of which may be *actually* new) to rare antiques and collectibles. If you’re looking

for a particular series, just ask the staff to help you find where it may be—you can also ask the staff to call you if a certain title comes in. Books really do come in every shape and size, and you may just discover a new author that you can’t believe you lived without for so long.

For hours and locations, please see the back page or visit www.folmc.org/bookstores.

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President's Letter

ANN DOROUGH

Dear Friends,

You've seen it every time you've stopped by the libraries these days—every branch is packed with customers beefing up their work skills, writing resumes, scoping out leads and applying for jobs.

Friends of the Library has teamed up with Montgomery County Public Libraries and the Library Board to help these job-seekers by creating a \$146,000 workforce development project titled, "Libraries LEAP" (Linking Employers and Applicants Project).

The Library Board raised most of these funds over a decade ago when they ran the Wheaton Book Sale. When the Friends took over the store in 1999, the Library Board created a special fund with that money. FOL, the Library Board, and MCPL have together agreed to allocate these funds for activities designed to put people back to work in three ways:

- **Job Workshops** (\$53,500) will be run by professional trainers. These workshops will help individuals to build job skills, write resumes, and apply for jobs. The Libraries LEAP program will buy the books to use in these workshops.
- **A Mobile Computer Training Lab** (\$57,500) will move around the county to branches of greatest need, particularly where job-seekers rely on public transit.
- **Stronger Wi-Fi** (\$35,000) will help patrons who bring their laptops to the library who often find that MCPL's wireless internet access can be slow and unpredictable. Libraries LEAP will upgrade the wi-fi routers to speed up broadband access and make it more reliable.

Libraries LEAP rolls out soon! We're excited to have the chance to re-invest these funds to bring employment opportunities to workers across the county. What better dividend could you ask for?



FOLMC thanks Bonnie Ayers for her editorial contributions.

From the Executive Director

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April 18–April 24, 2010 marks National Volunteer Week, sponsored by the Points of Light Foundation. This year's theme is "Celebrating People in Action." This theme is fitting for Friends of the Library because our organization creates several opportunities for people to take action.

Through our network of 16 chapters, library supporters can raise money and awareness for their local branch. Each chapter has a board that governs the group and other key volunteers that organize book sales, plan programs, and recruit members. If you love your neighborhood library, Friends chapters are definitely the place to put your time and energy.

Twenty members of the community serve on the Board of Trustees of FOLMC. This active group works to garner extra resources for the entire library system. Members plan special library events, launch annual celebrations like Library Lovers Month and Friends of the Libraries Week and innovate new ways to increase financial support of the library system like opening our third bookstore.

Many volunteers also advocate for libraries to make sure they stay a priority in the county budget process. They ask patrons to tell their stories about why libraries are vital to our community and share them with our elected officials throughout the year.

I invite you to be a part of the action by becoming a volunteer today. To find out how to help, call 240-777-0020 or visit www.folmc.org/get-involved.

Additionally, Montgomery County offers opportunities to serve libraries by joining the Library Board or one of several Library Advisory Committees. For more information, visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov and click on "Volunteer."



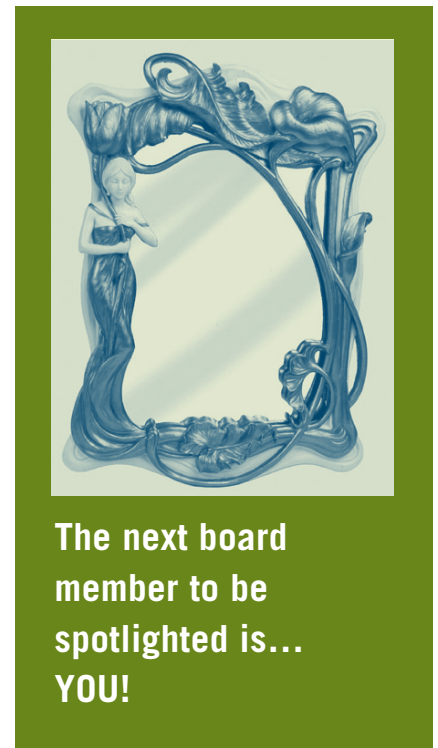
Board Member Spotlight

If you love libraries (and how could you not?), FOLMC invites you to consider joining the Board of Trustees.

We're looking for people from all walks of life—maybe you work in finance, wheel and deal as an advertising executive, or even devote your days to being a stay-at-home dad. As long as you are passionate about libraries, we're interested in what you can bring to the organization.

Board members come from all areas of the county and work in a wide variety of fields, from the arts to the sciences, and come from communities from Germantown to Silver Spring and Bethesda. FOLMC is an equal-opportunity organization, and people from all backgrounds are invited to apply.

The FOLMC Board meets four times a year, and all Trustees must be current members of the organization to be voting members of the Board. Each Trustee is asked to join at least one committee, such as Programs, Fundraising (our Friends-focused version of fundraising), Grants, and Strategic Planning. If you would like to join a committee to start and see if you would like to be a member of the Board in the future, please just contact us at staff@folmc.org to discuss the possibilities. To learn more, call the office at 240-777-0020 or email your resume to board@folmc.org.



The next board member to be spotlighted is... YOU!



Thanks for the Pancakes!

FOLMC extends its sincere gratitude to Jeff Bulman at the **Original Pancake House** for sponsoring the Dine-In Day for the Friends for the past six years and raising so much funding for the Friends! We are pleased to be able to work with such a wonderful local establishment for the betterment of our libraries. Thank you also to everyone who participates in the Dine-In Day each year.

LIBRARY LOVERS MONTH Kicks Off with a Roar!

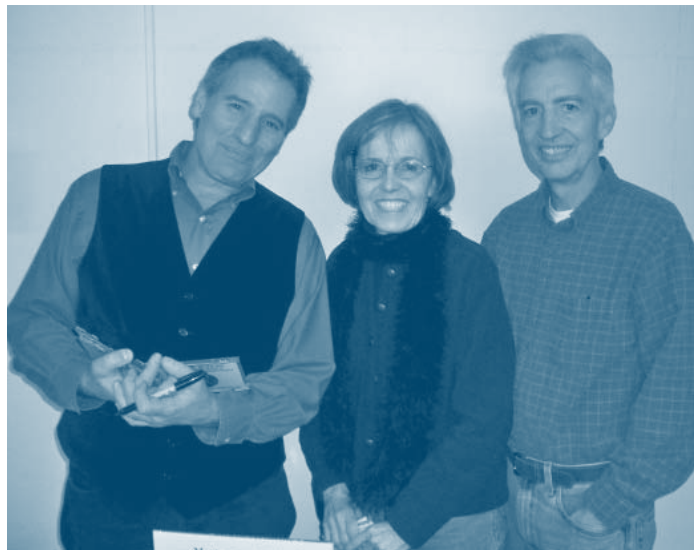
BARRY LOUIS POLISAR, known for his whimsical children's books, playful original children's music, and Emmy-winning children's television show, came to the Silver Spring Library on January 30, for the Library Lovers Month kick-off. More than 85 people filled the room and overflowed into the hallway, despite the snow that started falling before the program even began.

Barry has amazing and loyal fans—Kathie Bedell (pictured with Barry and her husband) came all the way from Kentucky just to see the show! Ms. Bedell grew up first with his stories, then with his music, most recently featured on the *Juno* soundtrack. She and her husband were able to make the performance and even had a wish list of CDs and books to purchase from him for family members.

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Alice and the Mad Hatter were the perfect guests for the Tea Party.



Barry Louis Polisar with Kathie Bedell and her husband.

His music has become family fare for several people, as parents who checked out Barry's records from their library as children now check out his CDs for their kids. FOLMC is pleased to have been able to re-introduce and newly acquaint so many people with Barry's high-energy performance and entertaining stories which captured the attention of the kids and adults alike.

In addition to listening to Barry's energetic and playful tunes, children (and some parents) came in costume to celebrate the kick-off. We were even graced with the Mad Hatter and Alice at the "Tea Party," along with literary stars from the *Wizard of Oz*, *Harry Potter*, and comic book favorite Batman. Following the performance, arts and crafts were provided for the children while the parents met Barry, entered the raffle, and learned more about how FOLMC and its chapters help libraries.

FOLMC served drinks to attendees, and snacks were generously provided by the Friends of the Library, Silver Spring Chapter. Newly elected Council President Nancy Floreen and MCPL representative Michele Sellars presented a joint proclamation declaring February Library Lovers Month. Councilwoman Floreen even got into the spirit by dressing up in one of the costumes!

To see clips of Barry's performances or pictures from the performance, visit us on Facebook and become a Fan: www.facebook.com/FOLMC.

STORY TIMES AT THE NOYES LIBRARY FOR YOUNG CHILDREN



Story times are back at Noyes this spring!

This year, there are both English/Spanish story times with Sra. Lupe at 10:30 AM on Wednesday April 7, 2010 and Wednesday, May 5, 2010, and sign language story time, which are perfect for teaching your child non-verbal communications and for the deaf and hard of hearing community. Sign language story times will take place at 9:30 AM and 10:30 AM on Wednesday, March 3, 2010 and Wednesday, May 19, 2010. Registration is required. The Noyes Library is normally open Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, and these special Wednesday events have limited space. For more information during normal hours or to make reservations, call 240-773-9570

The Noyes Library for Young Children is located at 10237 Carroll Place, Kensington.

Gaithersburg Book Festival

Couldn't make the National Book Festival on the Mall last fall? No worries—the City of Gaithersburg has you covered! Friends of the Library, with the Quince Orchard and Gaithersburg Chapters, has partnered to bring the Montgomery County Community the Gaithersburg Book Festival, a perfect springtime event, to be held Saturday, May 15. The all-day festival will be held from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM at the Gaithersburg City Hall Grounds, 31 South Summit Avenue. There will be bestselling authors, including Susan Coll and Alice McDermott, and local celebrity authors such as Johnny Mo, “the musical chef” from Mallards restaurants and catering. There are also authors for teens and children to meet, including Valerie Tripp, who writes for the American Girl series, and Phyllis Reynolds Naylor, author of *Shiloh* and the long-running *Alice* series. For the full list of authors attending, visit the Book Festival's website at www.gaithersburgbookfestival.org.

In addition to all the authors, there will be special activities for children, workshops for aspiring writers, and food and drinks. The Friends Bookstores will sell a special assortment of titles. The event is free, and the parking is free, as well. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend this special celebration. Because it's tented, the festival will be held rain or shine.

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Survival Artist: A Memoir of the Holocaust by Dr. Eugene Bergman

Susan F. Cohen

Library Services to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community

On Sunday, November 1, 2009, over 100 people from the deaf and hard of hearing community poured in to the Rockville Library to meet Dr. Eugene Bergman, author of “Survival Artist: a Memoir of the Holocaust.” It was quite a treat to have a deaf author presents his book at the library, and turn out was overwhelming.

Dr. Bergman, a retired professor of English at Gallaudet University and Bethesda resident, presented his life story in sign language, as trained interpreters voiced over for him. The library’s meeting room was equipped with an assistive listening device system so individuals using hearing aids could hear the speech more clearly.

Dr. Bergman and his family defied all odds to survive the Holocaust—including moving from one ghetto to another, using forged “Aryan” papers and escaping many threats to their lives. At age nine, while playing in the streets, Bergman was knocked unconscious when he was “struck deaf by the butt of a vicious German soldier’s rifle.” He spent three days in a coma, and awoke to a world of silence. His story is written through the eyes of a deaf survivor.

In German-occupied Poland, public libraries were of great value to the many Jews forced into labor camps, concentration camps or into hiding. Dr. Bergman told the audience, “The library was my school.” Despite his deafness, he became fluent in seven languages. Bergman has also written and co-authored several other books for the deaf community.

MCPL/Library Services to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community thanks the Friends of the Library, Rockville Chapter for funding the speaker’s honorarium and the Washington Society of the Jewish Deaf (WSJD) for co-sponsoring the program.

For more information on Library Services to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community, contact Susan F. Cohen by email: drcinfo@montgomerycountymd.gov or leave a message for a return call at 240-777-0001 or TTY 240-777-0902.

Libraries are for Lovers



COKIE AND STEVE ROBERTS
Literary Luncheon

April 15, 2010

LITERARY LUNCHEON 2010

Space is still available for the Cokie and Steve Roberts Literary Luncheon on April 15, 2010. What better way to celebrate the end of tax season than with Cokie Roberts, who was voted “Local Celebrity You Would Most Like to Meet” in Bethesda Magazine? Join Friends of the Library for an intimate look into their lives as they talk about everything from how they met to their demanding careers to how they are still together as one of Washington’s best-known power couples today.

Lectures are held at the Mansion at Strathmore in North Bethesda, located at 10701 Rockville Pike. Tickets range from \$20.25 to \$27.50, and can include the price of a catered box lunch from the Restaurant at Strathmore. Lectures start promptly at 11:30 AM and are followed by a question and answer session, book sales for autographs, and lunch. To register, please visit us online at www.folmc.org or call 240-777-0020.

Library News

MCPL Director Parker Hamilton



“For those without money, the road to the treasure house of the imagination begins at the public library.”

Columnist Pete Hamill, *New York Daily News*

I’m sure you are as excited as I am to finally welcome the spring season at MCPL after quite a rough, bumpy and unforgettable experience during the freezing winter of 2010.

I am glad to report that despite our difficult economic times MCPL is still able—thanks to funding from Friends of the Library, Montgomery County—to continue to present quality programs for the entire family and customers of all ages and interests.

During economic hard times, the library becomes very important to people, as a resource for job searches and as a source of family entertainment. That’s why we will continue to present the popular “Hot Tips for Today’s Job Market”, as well as resume writing and job search workshops, information for job seekers through our online resources for job hunters and career changers.

In the area of free library, quality family entertainment, I would like to refer to some of the programs we will be presenting this spring, such as the celebration of “Asian Lunar New Year”. This year’s National Library Week theme “Communities Thrive @ your library” during April 11–21, reminds customers that the library is the place where people of all background grow together. The “Live Music @ the Library” program features GRAMMY nominee Christylez Bacon during March

and April and additional free musical programs such as Latin Jazz Ensemble, Potomac Jazz Project, Dick Morgan Jazz, the Rockville Brass Band and Goombay, the Caribbean Experience: A musical journey to the Caribbean islands! will entertain the entire family.

FOL funding allows our staff to develop programs to serve our customers and to reward them for their patronage. I want to thank our customers for their patronage and FOL for their continued support and generous funding throughout the years.

Don’t miss the opportunity to visit your local or virtual branch 24/7 at www.montgomerycountymd.gov and view our Calendar of Events “Check Us Out” for a complete listing of all our programs.

CHAPTER NEWS

■ ASPEN HILL

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Please join us Saturday, March 6, 2010 for a lively morning! The Aspen Hill Library Advisory Committee (LAC) will meet at 10:00 AM, followed by the FOL Aspen Hill Chapter Annual General Membership meeting at 11:00 AM. Learn about upcoming activities, hear the state of FOL Aspen Hill Chapter, as well as LAC concerns and plans—including how County budget cuts affect the branch, the County Library administration's new policy on programs in the libraries, and the planned storm water management remediation project for the Aspen Hill Library.

Box lunches are available with reservations at noon when our guest speaker, Bob Chartrand, will speak on "Politicians in Our Time: Characters, Challenges, and Conundrums." Mr. Chartrand (author of *Computers and Political Campaigning*), a past president of the Friends of the Library of Collier County, of Naples, Florida, currently serves as a member of the Board of Trustees of FOLMC.

You are welcome to attend all events. Lunch, however, costs \$5 and requires a reservation by February 27, 2010—please email aspenhill@folmc.org.

The Aspen Hill Chapter Spring Book Sale will be held on Saturday, April 24, 2010, from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Donations are gladly accepted. Interested in helping out? Have questions? Contact Chris Swan at 301-871-1113 or aspenhill@folmc.org. Come to the book sale to shop, visit with your neighbors, make friends, and, best of all, contribute to the library while finding good reads.

Our Caribbean-American Cultural Heritage event is coming in June—be on the lookout for more information.

Upcoming Events

March 6: Annual Meeting,
Bob Chartrand Presentation

April 24: Book Sale

June: Caribbean-American
Cultural Heritage Month

■ DAVIS

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The Davis Library has been very busy this season as it faces record circulation and visitation. Luckily, the branch has a diligent staff working hard to meet our community's demands. The staff held a fabulous Volunteer Appreciation holiday party in December for all the library volunteers, and the Davis Chapter continues to seek ways to show its appreciation for all of the library's and volunteer's efforts. While budget cuts will increasingly strain resources, we are all, Chapter, Library, and Volunteers alike, dedicated to making the best we can of the situation. Although our renovation has now been postponed for two years for those same budget reasons, we are all happy to be able to continue to use our library next year!

We have been busy on the program front, too. The Dan Balz author talk on January 11, 2010, delivered by MCPL with funding from FOLMC, was a smashing success, with over 65 attendees and some insightful commentary on the 2008 elections. On February 13, 2010, our annual Chinese New Year celebration featured fan dance lessons, a calligrapher, performers, origami and other Chinese crafts—a fun time for all. Among other Library Lovers Month activities, the chapter manned a FOL membership table on four days. Our monthly book discussions, weekly English Conversation Club meeting and occasional story-telling events continue apace. Our big event of the year, Community Day, is scheduled for June 5, 2010 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and will feature performers, story telling, music, and other fun activities.



Chinese New Year Celebration at Davis Library

Our biggest initiative as a chapter this year has been the creation of a separate Program Committee to help us adopt a comprehensive approach to year-round programming. They are surveying, interviewing, and researching to come up with a recommendation for the chapter board. We are fortunate that our crack book sales team, led by Karen Braun, has given us the means to enrich the library community in this way. Many thanks to all of our volunteers and to all of our members who support public libraries!

Upcoming Events

June 5: Community Day

■ GAITHERSBURG

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Library Lovers Month began as the large meeting room at the Gaithersburg Library filled quickly the evening of January 28, 2010, for a talk sponsored by FOLMC from Dan Balz, co-author of a new book, *Battle for America 2008*. In an absorbing presentation, Mr. Balz, who earlier presented at Davis and whose wife Nancy is on the Gaithersburg staff, discussed how and why he came to write the book with the prolific author and political commentator, Haynes Johnson.

Both writers felt our country was at a point where the 2008 election held the possibility of being particularly important in our history. They wanted to paint a picture of the state of our country at the time of the election with Johnson presenting the outside view and Balz providing information from inside the campaign.

Obviously, people knew the story but the authors knew they would be interested in fresh information presented in a narrative way. The story had plot twists, behind the scenes stories, pivotal moments, and compelling history. The book took three years to write, but the speaker described the effort as a labor of love. After the talk, Mr. Balz signed books provided for sale by the Friends of the Library, Gaithersburg Chapter.

Thank you, Mr. Balz, for helping us kick off Library Lovers Month with your marvelous presentation.

■ LITTLE FALLS

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I love my library! We all love Little Falls, and everyone had a wonderful time at our Library Lovers Month celebration in February. We hope you enjoyed our special event—children of all ages enjoyed a performance by NicoloWhimsey and special Valentine arts and crafts. Our standing room crowd numbered over 125! Many thanks go out to our wonderful Pyle Middle School students for all their assistance: Julia Squeri, Cheyenne Bartolomei, Tess Ostoyich, and Aryana Bolourian.

Friends of the Library, Little Falls Chapter is proud to present our Literary Salon Spring 2010 book discussions featuring the theme: “He said ...” *Masculine Voices* moderated by Dr. Karen Arnold. Books will be available to check out at the Little Falls Library Reference Desk. Refreshments will be served.

Please join us for these lively free book discussions from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM:

March 10

Per Patterson
Out Stealing Horses

April 14

Marilynne Robinson
Gilead

May 12

Joseph O’Neill
Netherland

Our community library will be busy this year celebrating its 50th Anniversary with activities for children, teens and adults. The celebration year will conclude with a party in October. Please continue to check our at www.folmc.org/little-falls to find out when these wonderful events will happen.

Don’t forget to let your County Council know how you feel about our Little Falls Library at county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov. Your voice makes all the difference during the county’s budget process.

■ QUINCE ORCHARD

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Discovery Room Takes Flight

The library is a phenomenal hot spot! Visit us and experience the updated Discovery Room’s early literacy activities for newborns to 8 year olds. With its delightful butterfly mobile, vibrant carpet and exciting new toys, the room is occupied almost every hour. Please call or drop by to reserve the room for a full hour of FUN!

Listen to Christylez Bacon (pronounced: chris-styles), a 2010 GRAMMY Nominated Progressive Hip-Hop artist



Discovery Room’s New Look

from Southeast, Washington, DC. The talented young performer uses instruments such as the West African djembe drum, acoustic guitar, and the human beat-box. He will be at the library on Thursday, March 4, 2010, at 4:00 PM in an FOLMC sponsored presentation.

During Library Lovers Month, Quince Orchard patrons were dazzled by Dr. William Phillips’ lively, multimedia presentation and down-to-earth explanations about some of today’s most exciting science. Dr. Phillips is a physicist at the National Institute of Standards and

Technology. In 1997, Phillips shared the Nobel Prize in Physics “for development of methods to cool and trap atoms with laser light.”

Upcoming Events

March 4: Live Music: Christylez Bacon

March 6, April 3, May 1, June 5:

Used Book Sale

March 18, April 15: Penny Theatre

May 15: UTSAV—Indian celebration

June 19: Community Day

photos by: Ann Stillman

■ ROCKVILLE

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Library Lovers Month featured a fantastic puppet show from Kaydee Puppets. The meeting room was jammed, with standing room only. After a week of multiple snowfalls and cancelled events, every parent present was grateful to have someplace to take their young ones after being cooped up all week. We had lots of people turn in the Library Lovers postcards, which will be delivered to the County Council to encourage them to continue to support the libraries we all love. Attendees were also treated to balloons, chocolate, and other assorted giveaways.

Because of the “Snowmageddon,” Friends of the Library, Rockville Chapter had to cancel the presentation by Bob Chartrand on Humor and Politics. Keep an eye on the calendar at www.folmc.org/rockville to discover when he will be rescheduled.

Join us on Saturday, March 13, 2010, for a booksale at the Rockville Library. Start your spring cleaning by donating books or picking up new titles as a reward for surviving the snow this winter.

Upcoming Events

March 13: Book Sale

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CHAPTER NEWS

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■ WHITE OAK

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Michael Dirda

On December 16, 2009, Pulitzer Prize winning literary critic Michael Dirda talked about his most recent book, *Classics for Pleasure*, and his work reading and reviewing books for The Washington Post. The White Oak meeting room was

packed with his fans from throughout the DC area. FOL members Emma Munoz and Carol Bahr kept very busy selling books for the signing—every single copy was sold! The proceeds of the booksales go back to FOL White Oak to support future programming. The Chapter would like to thank MCPL staff member Andy Gordon for arranging the lecture.



FOL chapter members Emma Munoz and Carol Bahr selling books

FOL White Oak also staffed a table for Library Lovers Month. Patrons were encouraged to fill in the Library Lovers Month postcards telling the world (and their council members) why they love the White Oak branch. We also helped publicize the MCPL Email Notification service. Patrons were encouraged to sign up on the spot via the library computers and were provided assistance as needed.

pictures taken by Frank Altrichter

NEWS FROM THE LITERACY COUNCIL

The Literacy Council of Montgomery County will host a **SCRABBLE® SCRAMBLE** to raise money for the organization's adult literacy programs on **Sunday, March 21, 2010** from 6 PM to 9 PM at the Bolger Center, 9600 Newbridge Drive, Potomac.

Four-player teams will compete to achieve the highest total score. Players will be able to purchase extra letters, buy a peek at a dictionary, and play cooperatively with other team members. Prizes will be awarded to the three top scoring teams.

"SCRABBLE® Champion" sponsorship is provided by Shapiro and Burson, LLP. Tickets are \$200 for a table of four, and all proceeds go to the Literacy Council.

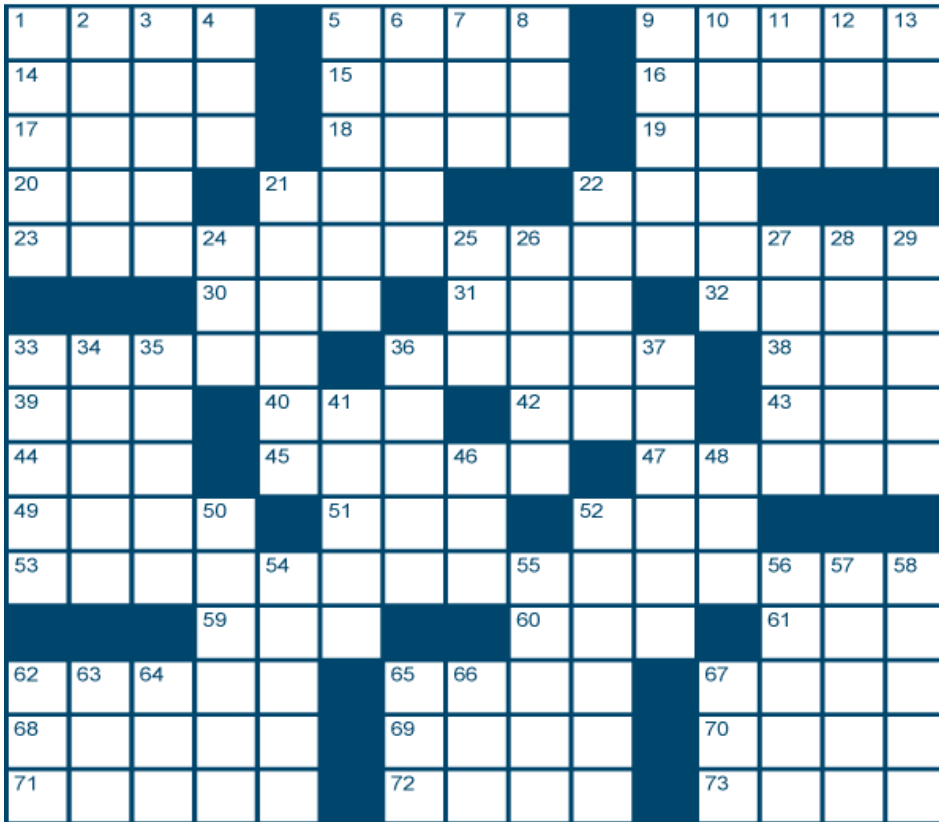
For more information, contact Pam Saussy at 301-610-0030 or info@literacycouncilmcmd.org.



Crossword Puzzle

Complete the crossword puzzle and send it back to the main office at 21 Maryland Avenue, Suite 310, Rockville, MD 20850 with your new or renewal membership at the Short Story level or higher to win a free prize from Friends of the Library.

FOL Puzzle #10 "The Constant Gardener" by Verna Suit ©2010



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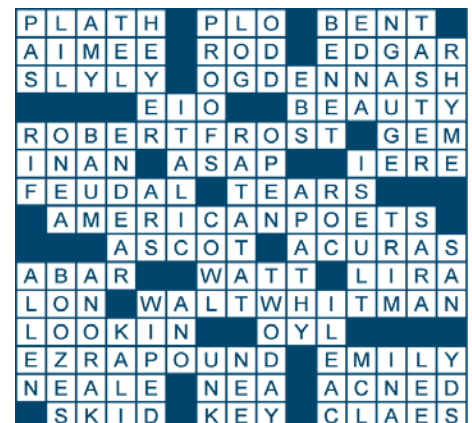
1. "New ___ within My Garden Go", poem by Emily Dickinson
5. "Midnight in the Garden of Good and ___", by John Berendt
9. "The ___ Garden", play by Enid Bagnold
14. Four-star review
15. Kind of trip
16. Stamp album accessory
17. Camus's birthplace
18. Has title to
19. "No surprise to me"
20. Not irreg.
21. Life in Paris
22. "Devil's Garden" author ___ Atkins
23. Children's classic by Frances Hodgson Burnett
30. "La la" preceder
31. Pi follower
32. Alluring
33. Roberts and Ephron
36. "A Garden of Earthly Delights" author Joyce ___ Oates
38. Nada
39. Wall St. debut

40. Biblical verb ending
42. Tokyo, once
43. ___-mo
44. Miracle-___
45. Rudely push
47. "I Never Promised You a Rose Garden" author Hannah ___
49. Easternmost town on Maui
51. Before, in poetry
52. "Ulalume" poet
53. Poem by William Blake about repression
59. King Kong, for one
60. Dept. overseeing booze, smokes and guns
61. Org. that screens bags and shoes
62. "The ___ Garden", a novel of Virginia Woolf, by Stephanie Barron
65. "Death of a Garden ___", by 11D
67. Cripple
68. "Back ___ Garden", the story of Woodstock, by Pete Formatale
69. Quote
70. Jason's ship
71. Ready for drawing
72. "Hopalong Cassidy" star William
73. "The Winter Garden Mystery" author Carola ___

DOWN

1. "Fireflies in the Garden" poet Robert ___
2. Soil
3. Dodge
4. Decimal system base
5. Beethoven's Third
6. Promise maker
7. "The Cement Garden" author ___ McEwan
8. Mormons, initially
9. Girl from Guatemala
10. Backpackers
11. ___ Ripley, author of "Summer Garden Murder" and 65A
12. Bigger than med.
13. Royal Botanical Gardens locale
21. "A Child's Garden of ___", by Robert Louis Stevenson
22. "This is not ___ time"
24. RR depot
25. Historical chapter
26. "___ Dirty Women and the Garden of Death", by Julie Wray Herman
27. Hard to get through
28. Banish
29. Parachute material
33. "The ___ Gardener", by George Pelecanos
34. TV book club host
35. TV exec Arledge
36. Musical triad
37. End a computer session
41. "___ Is a Garden in Her Face", poem by Thomas Campion
46. Neckline shape
48. Family mem.
50. With 52D: "___ Raisin and the ___ Gardener", by M.C. Beaton
52. See 50D
54. Even one word
55. Foul
56. Hokkaido port
57. Churchillian symbol
58. Ireland's De Valera
62. Gp. protested in Seattle
63. Darlin'
64. Addams family cousin
65. Pollutant banned since the 70s
66. End of "Old Macdonald"
67. "The ___ Gardener's Song", poem by Lewis Carroll

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