

Local Authors Join the Stacks at Gaithersburg Library

In the spring of 2006, a joint collaborative effort blossomed between the Montgomery County Public Libraries (MCPL) and the local authors living in Montgomery County.

It was April of that year when Louis P. Solomon, a resident of Montgomery County, came to MCPL

with a suggestion to reserve shelf space for local authors; in return, they could donate their literary works. For several months, there was considerable discussion between MCPL and Mr. Solomon. With the support of Lillian Snyder, Agency Manager at Gaithersburg Library and librarians Karen Logsdon and

Carol Steele, Solomon's dream soon became a reality. The librarians entered the books into the library system, while Solomon recruited local authors. The net result was that in late October of 2006, the Local Authors Corner at Gaithersburg Library was born and the result was nothing short of spectacular.

Today, nearly 90 authors, all of whom are residents of Montgomery County or the surrounding areas, have donated their books to the Local Authors Corner. What is even more delightful is many of the books have been checked out by county residents more than once.

Solomon is the author of four published books which are all available at the Local Authors Corner or on the web at www.thrillertales.com. His three novels include *The Third Legacy*, *Gotcha!* and *Unknown Connections*. His non-fiction book is *Transparent Oceans: The Defeat of the Soviet Submarine Force*.

Next time you visit the Gaithersburg Library, make sure you check out the Local Authors Corner. See page 3 for a complete listing of authors.



Louis P. Solomon

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President's Letter



Fantasy or non-fiction?

When I testified at the County Council budget hearings on your behalf this year, I got a smile from the councilmembers. "We're the kind of people who know our way around a library," I said. "So we know where the fantasy shelf ends and non-fiction begins." Several of them told me later how much they appreciated our good sense.

For the coming year, it's all about reality. The proposed budget left the library essentially untouched. No increases, but none of the outright cuts that so many agencies and programs are having to absorb. As I'm writing today, it's too early to know if that will survive as the deficit grows deeper and the debate over property taxes continues.

I also told our friends on the Council that we're not giving up or going away. We'll keep funding in every way we can. And we know you'll be out there supporting your local chapter and standing up for the libraries we love so much.

Keep your fingers crossed, and keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

Steven Snapp

From the Executive Director

Ari Z. Brooks, MSW



FOL 101

When I tell people I work for Friends of the Library, they usually ask lots of questions. Which library? Why do libraries need help? How much government funding do you get? Are you a librarian?

The first thing I make clear is that FOL is a not-for-profit organization that is separate from the county government. Since our mission is to enhance libraries (which in Montgomery County is part of the county government), we don't receive government aid, other than an Arts & Humanities grant that funds cultural arts programs in libraries.

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Another distinction I make is that there is only one Friends of the Library in Montgomery County. It is the parent organization that supports all 21 branch libraries. Of those 21 branches, 15 have chapters that work at the local level to raise funds to meet community needs.

Finally, libraries, although one of the most cherished resources, are vulnerable to cuts and closings. A 2006 report on libraries by the *Public Agenda* showed that people (even politicians responsible for funding libraries) already believe libraries have

enough day-to-day operating money and don't consider them an essential government service. Friends groups keep libraries' funding needs at the forefront and provide a vehicle for contributing toward library programs and enhancements that cannot be funded with government dollars.

If you know me, you know how passionate I am about libraries. (This may be why I'm often mistaken for a librarian.) So after my lesson in libraries, I always hope the final question will be, "How can I help libraries?" ■

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL AUTHORS

Check out the works of these local authors at Gaithersburg Library today!

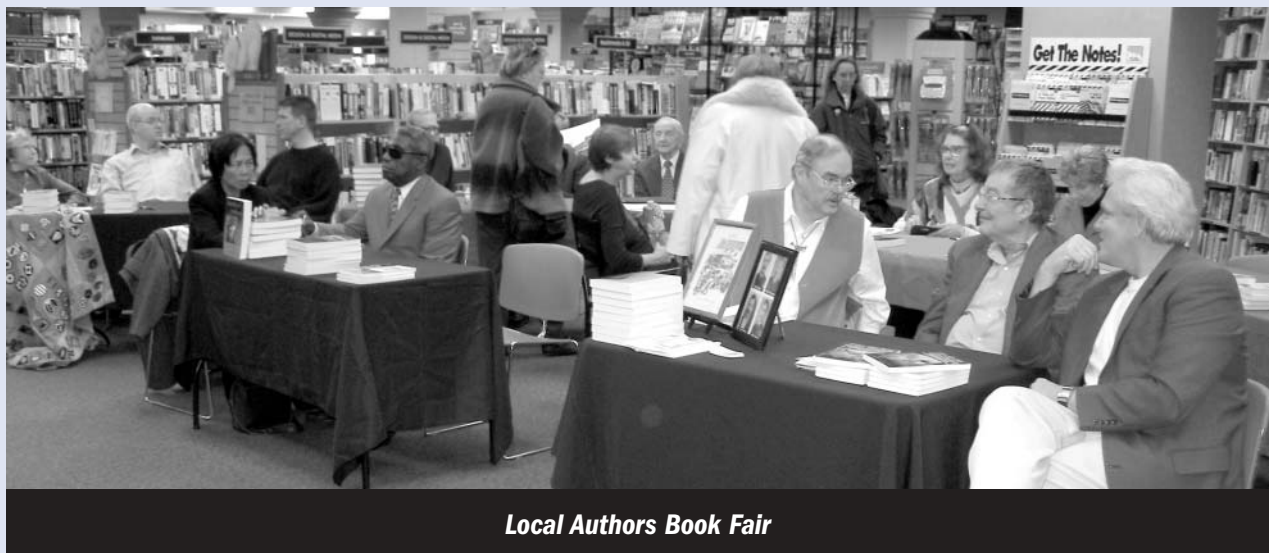
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Michael Heyman
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Local Authors Book Fair

Don't Miss "Out at the Library"

In celebration of Pride Month this June, Friends of the Library, Montgomery County is sponsoring several author events. This debut series is funded by the Farinholt-Edlow Endowment which was established in 1988 to promote gay and lesbian literature and library resources.

Coming up next...



June 18, 2008

Kensington Park Library

Brian Sloan, the Kensington-born filmmaker and author of *A Really Nice Prom Mess*, is the master of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender (GLBT) teenager misadventures.



June 11, 2008

Twinbrook Library

Lisa C. Moore, founder and editor of the DC-based publishing company, RedBone Press will discuss the world of African-American gay and lesbian writers



June 25, 2008

AFI Silver Theatre & Cultural Center

Joan E. Biren, filmmaker and producer from Silver Spring hosts the screening of *No Secret Anymore*, a documentary about the founders of the lesbian civil rights movement.

All programs start at 7:00 p.m. Book signing and book sale available after each program.

Retired IBM Administrator Joins FOL Board



Aileen Klein is a self-described local activist. She is involved with several Rockville groups including being an original member of Rockville's Bicycle Advisory Committee, former co-chair and current member of the Town Center Action Team, and currently serving

on the Rose Hill Falls Homeowners Association Board. For the past several years, she has served as vice president of the Rockville Chapter of FOL. As the chapter's fundraising chair, Ms. Klein helped arrange the very successful gala for the new Rockville Library in November 2006.

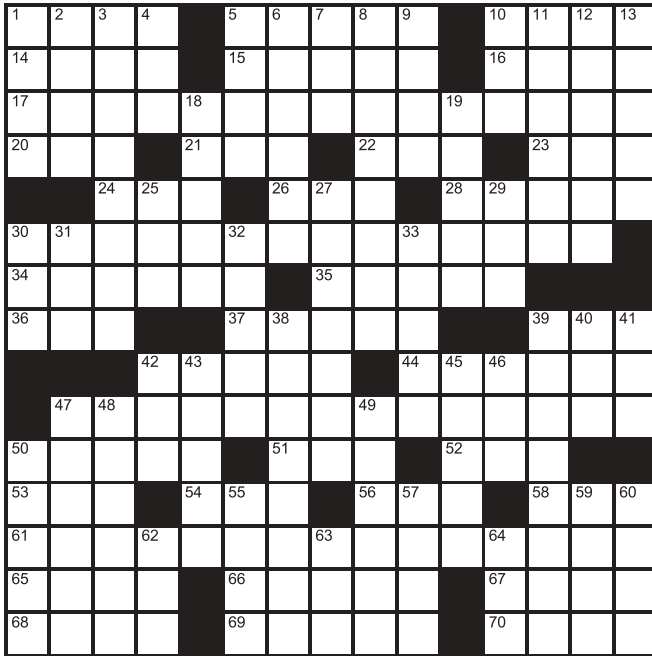
A native of Washington D.C., Aileen started her career in the early 1970s when she taught first and second grades in the inner-city D.C. Public School system as part of the Urban Teachers Corps. After starting her own family, she joined the IBM Corporation where she worked in the Federal division for 27 years before retiring three years ago.

She received her Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from the University of Maryland and her Master of Arts in Elementary Childhood Education from Catholic University.

Aileen is very excited about her new role as Chapter Relations Coordinator and looks forward to building strong relationships throughout the FOL. ■

Crossword

Puzzle #3 by Verna Suit © 2008



Across

1. Facts
5. Leaves out
10. Author Martin or Kingsley
14. Wrinkle remover
15. "Cheaper ___ Dozen"
16. Capital of Latvia
17. Children's series set in middle school (with The)
20. Cone or Cat start
21. "___ Wednesday": T.S. Eliot poem
22. Baseball stat.
23. Cash or front closing
24. College in D.C.
26. Simpson case judge
28. ___ good turn (helps out)
30. Children's series teaching scientific concepts
34. Al Jolson standard
35. Salinger title girl and farmwife in "Babe"
36. Wearer of 4 stars
37. Ranch in Ferber's "Giant"
39. "The Princess and the ___"
42. Take ___ at (try)
44. Broadway Joe of football
47. Series for grades 2-4 featuring orphans (with The)
50. Setting of "MASH", 1968 book by Richard Hooker
51. Baton Rouge sch.
52. Miss. neighbor
53. "That's so-o-o-o cute!"
54. Opponent's vote

56. Inc., in Britain
58. "___ Kapital"
61. YA series featuring teen twins
65. "___ Tight", Harlan Coben's latest 'family thriller'
66. S-shaped curves
67. "Off the Court" autobiographer Arthur
68. Cobblers' tools
69. Requires
70. Lunch or dinner

Down

1. Claiming word
2. Island off Ireland
3. Winter ride
4. To some extent
5. Japanese sashes
6. Like J.R.R. Tolkien's stories
7. Addams Family cousin
8. Something to rule
9. Belgrade native
10. Rainbow's shape
11. Surroundings
12. Unconvinced concurrence
13. Native Israeli
18. Hollandaise or pesto
19. Move laterally
25. "How to ___ Friends and Influence People"
27. First reading lessons
29. Delivery room docs
30. Flavor enhancer
31. Wonderment
32. Sealy competitor
33. Muscat native
38. Time to start reading?
39. What's lost and regained by John Milton

40. Somme summer
41. Philip of "Kung Fu"
42. Paul Bunyan's tool
43. Meager
45. "Portrait of ___", Henry James
46. 1550 in Rome
47. Fido's comment
48. "Animal Farm" author
49. Shelled
50. Slavic buckwheat
55. The Bard's river
57. Thomas Hardy heroine
59. Turkish honorific
60. Children's author Silverstein
62. Mystery writers McBain and Gorman
63. Author Harper ___
64. "Green Eggs and ___"

And the winner is...

Congratulations Janis and Robert Colton and George Furness, Jr. of Chevy Chase and Robert Solomon of Bethesda for correctly answering Crossword Puzzle #2. Each winner received a free Friends of the Library coffee mug. Try out your skills on Puzzle #3 and return it with a new membership or renewal of at least \$25.00 and win a prize. While supplies last. One gift per household. Mail to Development Assistant, FOL, 21 Maryland Avenue, Suite 310, Rockville, MD 20850.

From the Stacks

Jim Ludlum, Business Manager



Passion for Poetry...Longing for Literature...Volunteer in the Stacks

Our bookstores could not operate successfully without the help of nearly 50 book lovers who volunteer their time to help sort, price, weed and shelf donations. Many of them have a long history with the FOL and put in 10-15 hours a week helping to keep donations in order. We are always looking for dedicated people who have the extra time and would enjoy volunteering at either store.

Currently, the Wheaton Library bookstore needs volunteers who can work two to three days a week keeping the upstairs book depot stocked and in order. Specialty volunteers are also needed to sort and shelf books in the Health section of the store. High school students who enjoy reading and need to fulfill their community service hours are also encouraged to apply. Only students who can devote at least four to six weeks are needed. Strong customer service skills required.

Once you volunteer in the stacks, you will understand why our volunteers have continued to support us through the years. To start your volunteer position today, please direct all inquiries to bookstores@folmc.org or apply online at www.folmc.org/getinvolved. ■

Puzzle #2 Solutions

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Library News



From the Director's Desk *B. Parker Hamilton*

Summer is here! We want our friends to know that we have been very busy planning our Summer Reading Programs and want you to participate and help us spread the word.

We are ready to welcome customers to an array of action-packed and “bug- filled” Summer Reading Programs for children and teens. This year, we are participating with the National Reading Program “Catch the Reading Bug” for children and “Metamorphosis” for teens. This is a cooperative project of the Maryland State Department of Education and Public Libraries in Maryland and the District of Columbia. Thanks to them and to you, our Friends of the Library continued support and funding, so our families will be able to enjoy a wealth of storytelling, musical shows, singing and dancing, films, and DVD’s. We are also partnering with the Recreation Department to provide teens with gaming at several of our branches. Again this year, children and teens will be able to participate in the “Great Fines Read Off” program to earn “Library Bucks” to reduce their overdue fines.

Our adults will be able to enjoy the summer and connect with books, reading resources and programming by visiting our branches or our virtual library www.montgomerycountymd.gov/libraries where they will find additional resources, such as, reading suggestions, Librarian’s Choice, Book Discussions, Discussion Guides, and Newsletters, for all interests and literary genres.

I predict that everyone visiting our branches will have a wonderful time and will discover amazing facts about all kinds of bugs and crawling critters, have a blast with gaming, enjoy plenty of pleasurable reading to last during the entire summer and even more. I hope you will enjoy the diversity of programming and events prepared by our thoughtful staff with lots of love for you and your family. We are looking forward to your visit, and... remember to pick up the summer issue of “Check-Us-Out” calendar of events.

FRIEND\$ FUND\$

Have you ever wondered what your membership dues fund? To keep members informed about their financial support to FOLMC, we have developed a section called “Friends Funds.” Find out about the wonderful programs and resources funded by your memberships and contributions. Check it out under the “Chapter News” section. To join or renew your membership, fill out the enclosed envelope and return it with a check or money order made payable to Friends of the Library. You can use a credit card if that is more convenient by visiting www.folmc.org. Don’t wait, become a Friend today!

Chapter News

Aspen Hill Chapter

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Spring Book Sale

The Aspen Hill Chapter annual spring Book Sale on May 3 was a marvelous success. Over 1,500 books received new homes; friends and neighbors chatted about events going on in the community; and we raised money for library programs and services.



Book lovers browse through thousands of titles at the Aspen Hill spring Book Sale

Summer Reading Kick-Off

Aspen Hill's Summer Reading Program is one of the many programs that benefits from the proceeds of the book sale and other fundraising efforts during the year. On June 14, from 2:00–4:00 p.m., we will kick-off this year's Summer Reading Program with a performance by the Mariachi Azteca Band and an ice cream party (with gummy worms, chocolate spiders, and other toppings to go with this summer's bugs and insects theme. To coincide with the Summer Reading Program, check out what else we have in store. On July 9, the One-Step Magic Company will present "Books are a Blast." July 16, join us for "Two-of-a-Kind" music show with stories. To wrap up the festivities on August 6, we will sponsor a Shadow Puppet Workshop. All programs begin at 7:00 p.m.

FRIEND\$ FUND\$

- Summer Reading Program activities
- Jazz Concert Series which featured Al Coda Blues Project (May 5)
- Motorized movie screen for the library

Damascus Chapter

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Successful Spring Author Talks

The Damascus Chapter sponsored two great adult author programs at the branch this spring. On March 20, Brian Jay Jones spoke and read from his biographical work, *Washington Irving: An American Original*. On May 15, Susan King, local historian and author, discussed her new work; a fictional account of the Shakespearean character Lady Macbeth.

I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream

For children grades K-5, our branch held a "Make Sundaes on Saturday" party in honor of children's book author, Beverly Cleary's birthday, part of the National Drop Everything and Read Day. Residents of the Damascus community took turns reading from Ms. Cleary's books and enthralled both children and adults. The ice cream sundaes were a big hit as well.



Summer Adult Book Discussion Group

Staff member Chris Lundy has planned a great summer series for the Damascus Adult Book Discussion group. Each event is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in the large meeting room at the branch. Please join us on the following dates for stimulating and informative discussions:

June 17 — *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan* by Lisa See (fiction)

July 15 — *The Bond: Three Young Men Learn to Forgive and Reconnect with their Fathers* by Sampson Davis (non-fiction)

August 19 — *The Gathering* by Anne Enright (fiction)

September 16 — *The Stone Diaries* by Carol Shields (fiction)

Stay Tuned...

The Damascus Chapter is sponsoring several upcoming events this summer which include the annual sleepover organized by the children's librarians and many more adult and young adult activities.

Davis Chapter

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Davis Library Community Day

It's back and better than ever! The fifth annual Community Day at Davis Library will take place on Saturday, June 7 from 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. In addition to the usual events for children, for the

first time there will be a special book sale of items saved from our standard, ongoing sale of previously owned books. Items for sale include art books, coffee table books, pristine pop-ups and other children's books, antiquarian books, etc. In addition, Starbucks is generously supplying coffee for the event. Adults, don't forget to attend the regular Saturday Master Gardeners Plant Clinic from 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. on the south porch or have caricatures made from 1:00–3:00 p.m. Finish the afternoon off with the melodic sounds of the string quartet, Ex Libris.

Events for children include "Oh Susannah," fire truck tours, temporary tattoos supplied by a kid-friendly "Pirate," Big Train Baseball Players and their mascot "Homer," animal balloons by Doodle the clown, and "Clicky," the mascot of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Gaithersburg Chapter

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Volunteer Appreciation Party

Our Chapter held an appreciation party for all library volunteers the last week in February. Participants included volunteers from FOL, Library Advisory Committee, Book Nook and Conversation Club. Nearly 50 people enjoyed chatting with each other over lunch.

Local Authors Corner

We honored local authors who have contributed books to the library for the Local Authors Corner at a reception last fall. Our list of mostly self-published authors has grown to over 70, and it is a pleasure to publicly recognize their generosity and achievements. See page 3 for a list of authors.

Book Nook Volunteers

Our enrichment of library programs would not be possible without the efforts of our enthusiastic Book Nook volunteers and the donation of books from our patrons. Thanks to you all! We donate excess children's books to the Naval Medical Center's Children's Cancer Ward twice a year and to a school for mentally challenged children.

FRIEND\$ FUND\$

- A new puppet theatre for the Language Discovery Center
- Snack and craft materials for two school-age book clubs and the Folktale Connection for 5 and 6 year olds
- Food and other materials for the Hands-On cooking programs including "A Narnian Feast," two Teddy Bear Teas, and a Little House Social Cooking Event
- Yarn and needles for the Teen Knit Club and their Expo in September
- Snacks for the Teen Game Club
- Props for weekly Storytimes
- Harry Potter Party in July
- Arts and crafts supplies for the Library Lovers Month valentine project
- New storage bins for the Board Books for toddlers

Little Falls Chapter

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Barnes & Noble Book Fair

Sally Bosken, Little Falls Library Advisory Committee Chair and member of the Friends of the Library, Little Falls Chapter, wraps books during the Barnes & Noble Book Fair to benefit FOLMC.



Quince Orchard Chapter

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Hogwarts and Magical Creatures, Oh My!

We had a blast transforming the Quince Orchard branch into the Hogwarts School of Magic on Saturday, February 23. On Harry Potter Day, under the tutelage of our young adult Hogwarts “teachers,” children in grades four through eight studied “Care of Magical Creatures,” “History of Magic,” (alias genealogy) “Charms” and “Wand Skills.” For those adults who participated, what could go wrong when dressed as a witch or warlock?

Jane Austen Book Discussion

This spring, we had several intriguing discussions of Jane Austen’s books that coincided with the PBS television show *Masterpiece Theater*. Thanks to all our patrons who participated.



Jane Austen book discussion participants

Cultural Celebrations

On April 26, Quince Orchard Library celebrated its first Annual El Dia de Los Ninos/El Dia de Los Libros. We enjoyed an English/Spanish Bilingual story time with books, songs and dances! The Cockroach Martina/La Cucharacha Martina puppet show also performed.

Plans are underway for our annual UTSAV Indian Festival and our end of the school year Community Day celebration. Can’t you tell from all these celebrations just how much we love our library.

Silver Spring Chapter

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Check Us Out

Silver Spring Library celebrated Library Lovers Month with a full day of activities and our most successful book sale to date sponsored by the Silver Spring Chapter with support from the Library Advisory Committee.

The morning programs included a “Born to Read” story time program and children’s valentine making, during which some very impressive creativity was on display. In the afternoon, master storyteller Diane Macklin enthralled a large group with tales celebrating America’s African Roots. The afternoon culminated with author David Matthews discussing his memoir, *Ace of Spades*, sponsored by FOLMC. The program was sponsored by FOLMC. Sweet treats were available throughout the day at our bake sale.

Planning is underway for our third annual Silver Spring Library Book Fest in early October.

Join the Friends of the Library MOBILE TEXT CLUB

Instantly receive event reminders and book sale promotions to your mobile phone.

Text the keyword FOLMC to 63218.

Standard text messaging rates apply.



Calendar of Events

JUNE

- 7** Community Day, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Davis Library
- 11** “Out at the Library” series with Lisa C. Moore, founder and editor of RedBone Press, 7:30 p.m. at Twinbrook Library
- 14** Summer Reading Kick-off with Mariachi Azteca Band and ice cream party, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Aspen Hill Library
- 17** Summer Adult Book Discussion — *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan* by Lisa See, 7:30 p.m. at Damascus Library
- 18** “Out at the Library” series with Brian Sloan, author of *A Really Nice Prom Mess*, 7:00 p.m. at Kensington Park Library
- 25** “Out at the Library” series with Joan E. Biren filmmaker and producer of *No Secret Anymore*, 7:00 p.m. at AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center

JULY

- 4** Library Closed
- 9** One Step Magic Company presents “Books are a Blast,” 7:00 p.m. at Aspen Hill Library
- 15** Summer Adult Book Discussion — *The Bond: Three Young Men Learn to Forgive and Reconnect with their Fathers* by Sampson Davis, 7:30 p.m. at Damascus Library
- 16** Two-of-a-Kind Music Show and Stories, 7:00 p.m. at Aspen Hill Library

AUGUST

- 6** Shadow Puppet Workshop, 7:00 p.m. at Aspen Hill Library
- 19** Summer Adult Book Discussion — *The Gathering* by Anne Enright, 7:30 p.m. at Damascus Library

SEPTEMBER

- 16** Summer Adult Book Discussion — *The Stone Diaries* by Carol Shields, 7:30 p.m. at Damascus Library

Calendar items subject to change without prior notice. Contact individual branches or visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library for more details.

Would you like to receive email alerts regarding any of our upcoming programs? Send an email with your name and contact information to staff@folmc.org to start receiving email alerts today!



Literacy Tutors Needed

The Literacy Council of Montgomery County has over 200 adult students on its waiting list for tutors. Become a volunteer literacy tutor and teach an adult to read, write, or speak English. No foreign language skills are necessary. Tutors work one-on-one or with small groups and typically meet with students in libraries or community centers at mutually convenient times. Tutor orientations will be held at Gaithersburg Library on June 25 at 7:30 p.m. Sessions will also be held at Rockville Library on July 1 and September 3 at 7:30 p.m., and September 8 at 10:30 a.m. Registration is required. Call 301-610-0030 or email info@literacycouncilmcmd.org.



Friends Remembers

Friends of the Library, Montgomery County would like to acknowledge those who are no longer with us, but will forever be remembered as supporters of the Montgomery County Public Libraries.

Ms. Elizabeth M. Bagg
Ms. Constance "Kay" Davis
Mr. Edward Holmes Defandorf
Ms. Edith Sedney
Ms. Mary Edith Sullivan

Making a donation in memory of a loved one provides the opportunity to create a personal gift that honors the life of a friend, relative or colleague. These donations not only show how much you care about your special someone but how much you care about the important work we do for libraries. To make a donation in memory of someone, contact Lauren Williams at 240-777-0020 or visit www.folmc.org.

Election Judges Needed for **2008 Presidential General Elections**

Montgomery County's Board of Elections is seeking individuals to serve as election judges at polling places on General Election Day, Tuesday, November 4, 2008. In accordance with the Election Code, judges must be registered to vote in the State of Maryland. They must also be able to speak, read, and write English and while acting as a judge must not hold, or be a candidate for, public or party office. In addition, election judges bilingual in Spanish and election judge alternates are needed throughout the county. Training will be provided, and all judges will be compensated. To apply, or for more information, call the Board of Elections at 240-777-8533 or e-mail electionjudge@montgomerycountymd.gov.

The Writer's Center's First Annual Summer Reading Sale

June 3-22

4508 Walsh Street, Bethesda MD
Located in the Reading Room

Choose from a wide variety of
new and used books.

Don't miss our Open House on
June 7 from 12:00-3:00 p.m.
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workshop offerings.

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- ★ Thursday, August 21
10:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
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