The mission of the Friends of Porter Public Library is to foster awareness and strengthen this invaluable resource for the community through advocacy, fundraising, and volunteerism.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Hello Friends,

Welcome to a wonderful start of summer. The Cavs are the NBA champs and the weather has been beautiful!

The library is still the place to be for the summer reading program or just a relaxing read.

PORTABLES will be having their annual sidewalk sale in July and please join us for the Ice Cream Social on July 25th.

Cathy Schultz
DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

Through the generosity of Friends of Porter Public Library our Summer Reading Program is once again the focal point of the library from June 1 through August 1. Our theme this year is “Oh, the Places You’ll Go.” We’ve got lots planned for all age groups, including crafts, games and contests, movies, fascinating lectures and more!

As much fun as all of our programs are, the real point is to keep children reading and stave off the “summer slide.” When children read during the summer, they significantly more prepared to begin learning again once school starts.

The Friends have done an amazing job of raising money and supporting Porter Public Library. In 2015 the Friends donated over $100,000 to pay for Summer Reading, program support throughout the year, and especially portions of our recent renovation. The “Skyline” in Youth Services is a wonderful example of the how the Friends’ donations make a difference by engaging young library users.

Lastly, I would like to send out a very special thank you to Peg Gambrel. Though she is leaving Westlake for parts west she will not be forgotten for the many years of service and dedication to the Friends of Porter Public Library!

Sincerely,

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THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

The 2016 Annual Book Sale in February was another successful fund raiser for the Friends of the Porter Public Library. This year we had mild weather and were able to raise over $12,000 that will be used to support the library. I would like to thank the following volunteers for the over 912 hours (WOW!!!) they devoted to the set-up and running of the sale. Some of the people named helped the sale by contributing food or beverages for the volunteers. There are many kind people in this world and this list contains some of these people. My heartfelt thank you to everyone.
Karen Alfred       Pam Applegate      Fran Archer       Donald Bain
Martha Bober       Judy Brown        Judy Budoi        Jennifer Cirincione
Marilyn Comisky    Sally Crooks      Sharon Didion     Suzanne D’Ettore
Donna Douglas      Cass Dreby        Chuck Duffy       Jackie Duffy
Kathy Fern         Barbara Frase     Peg Gambrel       Judy Gilbert
Tom Glynn          Barb Hajek        Jim Hajek         Barb Hall
Greg Hall          Bob Hawley        Cindy Holliday   Bob Johns
Cynthia Keating    John Keating     Karen Kovac      Diane Kvasnicka
Dave Kvasnicka     Alice Lang        Andrew Mangels   Bob Manly
Donna Manly        Jim Mann          Louise Martynowski Janice Mattingly
Terry McEntire     Lona McFarland    Judy McNamara    Kathy McWeeney
Carol Mueller      Jane Mueller      Bill Nordgren    Donna Nordgren
Karen Novak        Sue O’Neil        Karen Ormsby     Laura Parry
Lynn Pettyjohn     Steve Pettyjohn   Bob Plantz       Carol Riordan
Vivian Rokjalusi   Mario Romano      Susan Romano     Dee Ann Rose
Leslie Rozman      Cathy Schultz     Eileen Schultz   Nancy Shaw
Nancy Sherwin      Yvonne Tarase     June Thompson    Jessica Townsend
Joyce Wells        Carol Welo        Zach Wise       Linda Worthington

A big thank you also goes out to Coach Brendan Zepp for bringing over the young men from the High School to help us move out the boxes from storage, and to the men from Community Alliance for their help when we were boxing up the books after the sale.

I apologize if I left off or misspelled someone's name. If you brought in food or beverages and I neglected to add your name to the list, I humbly apologize. All the food donations were truly appreciated.

Our next Annual Sale will be in February 2017. Until then, we have many books of fiction, non-fiction, children's books, and books on CD available in the Book Nook.

Carol Masek - Book Sale Chairman
ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Friends’ annual Ice Cream Social will be **Monday, July 25, 2016** from 6-8 p.m. at Porter library.

The events for this year include:

- **Mitchell’s Ice Cream** - Get a serving of delicious Mitchell’s Ice Cream with toppings for only **$1.00** (the Friends subsidize the rest of the cost).

- **The Big Daddies** will entertain everyone with their great music and games.

- **Cake and Cookie Walk** - $0.50

- **Face Painting**

- **BOOK NOOK** (used book room) Sale 10AM - 8PM

- **Portables Gift Shop Sidewalk Sale** 9AM - 8PM

- **We are hoping to have musicians in the garden**

The Ice Cream Social is an annual culminating event for the library’s summer reading programs, which are sponsored by the Friends and a “thank you” to the community for your support of Porter Library and the Friends of Porter Library.
CALLING ALL BAKERS

Please consider baking a decorated cake, cupcakes, or cookies for the cake and cookie walk. The Ice Cream Social will be Monday, July 25 from 6-8 p.m. Children and adults alike look forward to seeing (and winning) the cleverly decorated baked goods. We need at least 35-40 items for the 2 hour cakewalk.

Pizza cookies are easy to make: Approximately 2/3 of a regular chocolate chip cookie recipe will make 1 pizza cookie (you have enough dough left for about a dozen regular cookies). Spread the dough in a foil pizza pan (or get a real pizza pan at the $1 store) and underbake a little so it doesn’t get too hard. Then use your imagination to decorate it, as little or as much as you want.

If you would be willing to bake for the Ice Cream Social, please call Lynn Pettyjohn at (440) 892-3928. Baked goods can be dropped off at the library the day of the Ice Cream Social.

NEW LOOK

For

$1.00 CART

In keeping with the new renovations in the library, the $1 Book Cart, operated by Friends’, has given way to $1 shelves, located just inside the security gates. Each item on these shelves is just $1.00. You can find books for all ages, CD’s and audio books.

The shelves are in memory of Ingrid Bowman, a longtime Porter Library and Book Nook volunteer who was in charge of the $1 cart for many years.

The Book Nook isn’t always open for business, but the $1 shelves are always open during library hours. As with the Book Nook, all money from the $1 shelves goes toward funding items not in the library budget.
PORTABLES ANNUAL SIDEWALK SALE

Starting Friday, July 22

Friday 9am - 5pm
Saturday 9am to 5pm
Sunday 1 pm to 4pm
Monday 9am to 8pm

Don’t miss all of the great bargains!

It’s never too early to do some Holiday shopping.
Everything ½ price

at the

BOOK NOOK

Monday, July 25

10 am-8 pm

When you’re at the Ice Cream Social, stop by and check out our great deals.
Officers of the Friends of Porter Public Library
President – Cathy Schultz
Vice President – Lynn Pettyjohn
Secretary – Barb Frase
Treasurer – Sharon Didion (pro tem)