



Friends of the Bartow County Library

Winter Newsletter 2022

Next Book Sale: Saturday, December 3, 2022

Our next book sale is on Saturday, December 3. Sale for FOL Members begins at 9 AM; it opens to the public from 10 AM to 2 PM. FOL Bag sale is 1-2 p.m. Bring your FOL bags or buy new ones to fill up. \$5 per new bag, and \$5 per fill-up.

If you know of any local groups looking for volunteer hours or community service projects, we would appreciate their help. Please email us at fol30120@gmail.com.

If you are interested in volunteering (and receiving a \$5 credit towards the purchase of books), please sign up via the Signup Genius link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094ea5aa28abfac16-folwinter>

On the library premises, please practice safe physical distancing and follow current CDC and library guidance. Tables of books will be located both inside and outside the garage.

Note that the FOL accepts books and media donations year-round. Please leave in the receptacle outside the garage. If you have a large donation, please leave at the garage during Library hours and contact staff for intake: (770) 382-4203.

Teachers who attend the FOL Book Sales are eligible to obtain fifteen free children's books for use in their classes. Contact an FOL Board Member at the next book sale for details.

FOL Fall Book Sale Statistics

We are not sure how many individuals attended the FOL Used Book Sale on Saturday, Sept. 3, but they helped us set a new sales record of \$3,365.68!

Board of Directors

President: Vacant

Vice Presidents: Sarah Craighead and Rick Shireman

Secretary: Anne Coultas

Treasurer: Becky Carr

Board Members:

Charity Chastain Fartema Fagin

Laura Fritz Adrienne Hughes

Sarah Ledford Lori McAllister

Danielle Steele

Friends of the Library 2023 Calendar of Events

The Friends of the Library have scheduled the following events for 2023:

Spring Booksale:	Saturday March 4
Summer Booksale:	Saturday June 3
Fall Booksale:	Saturday September 2
Annual Election of Officers	October 1, 2023
Annual Meeting:	October 2023 – More info on entertainment and program soon!
Annual Craft Fair	November 2023 (exact date and location TBD)
Winter Booksale:	Saturday December 2

The Board meets monthly every second Tuesday at the Cartersville Library at 6 PM. Friends members are invited to attend. If you have items you wish the Board to discuss, email fol30120@gmail.com.

FOL Craft Sale Is A Big Success!

The Friends of the Library Craft Fair on Saturday, November 12 attracted a crowd of over 800 customers. 49 vendors sold handmade items from soap, ornaments, clothing, and many other items. If you attended this year, thanks for your support! Thanks also to the Cartersville High School Beta Club members, who volunteered to assist vendors set up their booths.



FOL Board Welcomes New Directors

Four new FOL Board Members were elected in the October 2022. We are pleased to welcome Fartema Fagin, Sarah Ledford, Laura Fritz, and Danielle Steele to their first 2-year terms as Board members. Friends members also re-elected Charity Chastain to her second term.

We want to extend a huge thank you to Sydney Lutjens, Mecole Ledbetter, Elizabeth Bowen, and Paule Ann Ceci, who are rotating off the Board. They have worked very hard to make the Friends of the Library a successful organization, and we thank them for their many hours of dedicated service.

Friends of the Library Donates \$20,000 to Bartow County Library in 2022

At the Friends' Annual Meeting on October 20, 2022, the Board presented the Bartow County Library System with a check for \$20,000 to support the library system's many programs. These funds came from a successful year of used book sales, last year's craft fair, and your membership dues. We are proud of the community's contributions to help make the Bartow County libraries some of the best in the state. Thank you for your continued support!



Don't Miss the Seasons of Wonder Display Opening December 1!

For the second year The Friends of the Library is sponsoring the annual Seasons of Wonder Program at the Cartersville Library starting on December 1. The program provides a season filled with live music, crafts, movies, and many more magical activities, all completely free. Bring the family and spend time in our winter wonderland of trees decorated by local schools. Twenty-two Cartersville and Bartow County Schools are participating this year in the program.

Each school is decorating a Christmas Tree in the lobbies and main rooms of the library. Several local businesses and individuals are sponsoring the trees. We would like to thank the following businesses and individuals who have contributed to the Seasons of Wonder Program:

The Benefit Consulting Group
Riverside Lending
Crest Auto
Edward Jones – Olen Suire
Southland Engineering
All Star Roofing
Jenkins, Bowen & Walker, P.C.
C&C Gutters, in honor of Bill Eager
Kathy and Steve Hall
Taylor Transport
Waktins Monument Company
In the Woods
Westmoreland Trucking
Starr Matthews Insurance
State Farm – Todd Browning

For more information on the Seasons of Wonder events, check out the Bartow County Library website at <https://bartowlibrary.org/season-of-wonder/>.

