

### Worthington FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWSletter

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Friends of the Worthington Library

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#### A Note from the President

Welcome to the second year, or perhaps the two-and-a-halfth year, of the Friends of the Worthington Public Library. This year will be a very exciting one for the library, with the new Discovery Place system, plans for the new Northwest Library building, and the new Hartford-High building which will eventually be the heart of the library administration. An apparently endless stream of exciting programs will complement the extended resources available through Discovery Place. The Friends hope to continue supporting the Library both financially and through volunteer activities.

We can only support the Library if you support the Friends. If you are not currently a member, then join now, or rejoin now. Join early and often. Persuade your friends to join. We are happy to take your money and leave you alone, but we would prefer your time as well as your money. Throughout this newsletter you will see lots of opportunities to volunteer.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Beverly Seigel for serving as the founding president of the Friends of the Worthington Public Library! She did such a good job that I and the rest of the new officers will find it easy to build well on her foundation.

If you have any questions or concerns, and especially if you would like to volunteer to do something and can't figure out who else to contact, please give me a call at 846-7268.

Bostwick Wyman

#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

There will be a meeting of the general membership of the Friends of the Worthington Library on April 19th at 7:00 pm by the fireplace on the main floor of the Library. Please come and help us celebrate National Library Week. Among other things, the spring book sale will be discussed.

#### Membership Renewals

Don't forget to renew your membership if you joined Friends of the Library in 1993. We need your support, and you don't want to miss out on the exciting events coming up in 1994!

#### Stickers

Those of you who got new library cards with the change over to Discovery Place will need new Friends stickers for your card. These are available at the gift cart during open cart hours: Monday & Thursday 6:30 to 8:30, Saturday 10:00 to 3:00, and Sunday 1:30 to 4:30

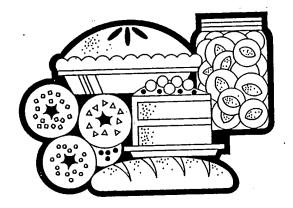
#### HELP!

The Friends gift cart is doing well in its new location in the atrium of the Library. A few of the items offered for sale are book bags (including a special hand painted edition), note cards, puzzles, journals and T-shirts. Volunteers are needed to tend the cart during the scheduled hours of Monday and Thursday 6:30 to 8:30, Saturday 10:00 to 12:30 and 2:30 to 3:00, and Sunday 1:30 to 4:30. We need substitutes as well as regular volunteers. It's fun and easy, and some shifts are only 2 hours long! If you would like to help, call Beverly Seigel at 885-4836. If you have suggestions for gift items, call Gloria Williams at 846-0312.

#### WANTED!

#### Hospitality Chairperson

Main duties include arranging for refreshments (cookies and punch) and hostesses for Friends sponsored receptions and events. Last year refreshments were provided for five receptions (most of them attended by about 30 people). If you are interested in serving in this position, or would like to bake cookies for upcoming events, call Bostwick or Linda Wyman at 846-7268.





Good News!
A SPRING BOOK SALE!
Memorial Day!!

Our fall book sale was so successful (gross sales over \$3,400) that Book Place Chairpersons Hat O'Toole (846-0810) and Linda Wyman (846-7268) suggested we have a spring book sale. Friends has planned to initiate Worthington Public Library's newly acquired building at High and Hartford (formerly NBD Bank) on Memorial Day with a book sale when the Memorial Day Parade is really over, and continue until 2:00 pm. Details to follow. In the meantime, keep the BOOK and AV donations coming! They can be dropped off at the Library at any time.

There will be NO special purchase presale for members of the Friends, so if you want first look at the books, with a guaranteed opportunity to purchase early, you must volunteer to help sort! A sign up sheep for volunteers will be available at the generaly meeting on April 19. If you miss the meeting, please call Hat or Linda.

### The Book Place A Continuing Book Sale

The Book Place is an area in the lower level of the Library where a continuing array of fascinating books is available at absurdly low prices. Our inventory is constantly restocked with books culled from the Library's collection, as well as with donations from residents.

You are cordially invited to buy books, to donate books (bring them to the Library), and to volunteer to restock and arrange shelves. Please call Linda Wyman (846-7258) or Hat O'Tolle (846-0810) to volunteer.

#### **Visiting Author**

The Friends will be sponsoring a visit by well-loved author and illustrator Patricia Polacco on Tuesday, April 12, 1994 at 7:30 pm. Ms Polacco bases many of her picture books on her Russian heritage and family traditions. We are hoping to serve the special cake recipe featured in her book "Thunder Cake," and will sell copied of Polacco's books at the program. All the right ingredients for an entertaining evening for people of all ages!

#### **Poets in Person**

The Worthington Public Library was recently awarded a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to sponsor an innovative poetry series, "Include me in the conversation: Contemporary American Poetry." The Friends has sponsored Dr. Sharon Klander, Professor of American Literature at Ohio University and Capitol University, to make additional presentations providing background information on the 13 poets included in the series. Watch for further information!

The Friends sponsored a team in the Worthington Adult Spelling Bee, held on February 10, 1994. Team members included Meribah Mansfield (WPL Director), Carolyn Owens (Library Board liaison to the Friends), and Hat O'Toole (Friends Board Member). They were stumped by--

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* A hook will l	be donated to the Library in the name of	each Super Frie	end.
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#### NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK Activities

April 17, 1994 - 2:00 pm: Volunteer recognition reception at the Library.

April 21, 1994 -9:00 am to 9:00 pm: Community open house and introduction to design concept for the Northwest Library, at the Library.



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# Include Me in the CONVERSATION!

## Contemporary American POETRY











SHARON OLDS

Join scholar SHARON KLANDER in the Fireplace Area of the Worthington Public Library, 805 Hartford Street, at 2:00 PM Sundays!

March 6	Introduction and overview of 13 poets	
March 13	Poetry of RITA DOVE (U.S. Poet	
	Laureate from Ohio)	
April 10	Poetry of JAMES MERRILL	
April 24	Poetry of GARY SOTO	
May 1	Poetry of SHARON OLDS	
May 15	Poetry of ADRIENNE RICH	

REGISTER AND PICK UP AUDIO CASSETTES AND STUDY GUIDES AT THE FICTION DESK OR CALL 645-2627

A project of the Modern Poetry Association, American Library Association and State Library of Ohio, funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities and Friends of the Worthington Public Library.





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Patricia Polacco, well-loved children's author and illustrator, will visit the Library on Tuesday, April 12, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. The Friends are sponsoring Ms. Polacco's visit and will be providing *Thunder Cake* for refreshments. If you would like to bake a Thunder Cake for the refreshment reception, please call Kathlyn Heywood at 846-4132 for the recipe.

#### THANK YOU FRIENDS

The Board of Trustees of the Worthington Public Library passed the following resolution expressing their ". . . appreciation to the Friends of the Worthington Public Library for their ongoing support of the Library, including \$4,700.00 budgeted to underwrite 1994 planned and proposed programming for the public and for staff 'morale boosting' activities." If you want the Friends to continue with their support of the Library and haven't renewed your membership for 1994, please fill out the membership form on the back and send it in or bring it with you to the general membership meeting on April 19.