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## POTLUCK DINNER

**Friday, October 2nd, 2015**

Cider and wine will be served at 5:30pm with dinner at 6:00pm followed by a brief meeting and our speaker at 7:00pm. Please send in the reservation form on the back of the newsletter or send us an email. We hope you can join us!

## Book Sale

**Saturday, September 26th**  
9:00am - 4:00pm

**Sunday, September 27th**  
9:00am - 3:00pm

### Help Needed For Set Up & Clean Up of the Book Sale

Thursday, September 24th: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Friday, September 25th: 9:00am - finish

Clean Up: Sunday, September 27th at 3:00pm

## ANNUAL DUES

It's time to renew your membership! Annual dues are still only \$5.00; not a lot of money for you, but very important to us. This money pays the expenses of running the book sale: supplies, publicity, book moving, which allows us to donate the majority of the proceeds of the sales to the library. Please renew your membership and help support our wonderful library.

To make it even easier to renew or to join as a new member, you can now do so at the circulation desk at the library. You can also fill out the form on the back of the newsletter or the one available in the library and send a check to: Friends of the Mansfield Library  
c/o Sarah Accorsi – Treasurer  
284 Storrs Road  
Mansfield Center, CT 06250

## WE ARE FULL!

We are so grateful to our community for the generous book donations we receive for every sale. People relocating, downsizing or just divesting have been able to find a home for their books at our sale and we gladly accept them. It's a mutually beneficial arrangement that usually works out well except when it gets out of balance: we currently find ourselves in the position of having more books than we have space to store them. This is not a small matter and we reluctantly have to turn down donations until after the September sale. **Beginning August 17th, we cannot accept donations until Monday September 28th.** Thank you for your co-operation.

## Donald E. Williams, Jr.



The speaker for this year's potluck dinner will be Donald E. Williams, Jr. Mr. Williams is a former Connecticut state senator who holds a J.D. from Washington and Lee University and a B.S. in journalism from Syracuse University. He has had a long and distinguished political career, but we are interested in his post-politics literary endeavors; specifically his 2014 book Prudence Crandall's Legacy: The Fight for Equality in the 1830's, Dred Scott, and Brown v. Board of Education.

We are delighted to have this accomplished and fascinating speaker for what promises to be an interesting and educational evening. Please fill out the reservation form or send an email and join us for the annual potluck dinner.



## Library Express

The next time you are in Storrs Center, stop by the Nash-Zimmer Transportation Center located behind the parking garage, to see the new Library Express. This is an outpost of the library that allows you to return items you've borrowed and to pick up items you requested via the online catalog.

The outpost is sponsored by the Friends and features a beautiful wall decoration made by local woodworker Johnnie Walker. It depicts a row of books copied from those belonging to the original library collection. Some of the book spines are replicas of the originals and one bears the title "Thanks to Friends of the Mansfield Library."



Our longtime treasurer, Hal Abramson, is retiring from the Friends board of directors and moving to the Washington D. C. area. His fellow board members cannot remember a time when Hal was not an important presence in the group. Even he can't remember how long it has been, just that it has been a significant portion of the almost 45 years that he and his wife Carol have been Mansfield residents.

Hal was a pleasure to work with and we will miss him terribly.  
We wish him the best in his new adventure.



## January 2015 Mini Book Sale Results

The book sale made \$9,916.47, a good amount for the spring sale. Thank you to our dedicated and hard-working volunteers who made the sale possible:

Hal Abramson, Sarah Accorsi, Ursula Beschler, Pat Biggs, Jane Ann Bobbitt, Larry Bowman, Andrea Epling, Norma Gingras, Sharry Goldman, Bruce Goldman (for his delicious homemade bread for the workers), Anne Greineder, Jeanne Haas, Gretchen and Ros Hall, Marla Hauslaib, Adesua Hughey, Marietta and Keith Johnson, Barbara Katz, Margaret Kessel, Rita Kinstler, Molly Kirouac, Alice Kolega, Gerald and Zoe Leibowitz, N.M. Lerman, Thembie Magubane, David Markowitz, Rosemary Marcellino, Annette Murphy, Bill Peters, Carol Phillips, Dennis Pierce, Joan Quarto, Karen Randolph, Howard Raphaelson, Anne Rash, Lynne Reichel, Tove Rosado, Jean Sawicki, Richard Schimmelpfeng, Julia Sherman, Judy Spencer, Mary Stanton, David Stone, Leslie Turner, Betty Wexler, Karen Wyatt.

Thanks also to our book movers: Jason Dwyer, Alex Fikiet, Liam Goode, Colin McMullan, Ben Phipps, and Emily Raymond. Special thanks to Mansfield Boy Scout troop 56 and the rest of the clean-up workers and to all who helped but didn't sign in. Thanks to the library staff for their patience during the set up and to the town workers for their indispensable help with the book moving. Special thanks to library maintenance god Gary Drew who worked at his last book sale before retiring.

## CONTACT US

To change your home or e-mail address or to send a book review or other communication, the e-mail address for the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Mansfield Library is: FriendsOfTheMansfieldLibrary@hotmail.com.

We use this address for library related business only and ask that you do the same. We also do not share our members' e-mail addresses or use them for any other purposes.

If you currently receive the newsletter by regular mail and prefer to receive it by e-mail, or vice versa, send a request to this address.



## BOOK REVIEWS ALWAYS NEEDED

Send short, handwritten (*neatly*) or typed reviews to:

Anne Greineder  
16 Holly Drive  
Storrs, CT 06268  
OR:

FriendsOfTheMansfieldLibrary@hotmail.com



Friends of the Mansfield Library  
54 Warrenville Road  
Mansfield Center, CT 06250

Return Service Requested

**FRIENDS OF THE MANSFIELD LIBRARY**

**Potluck Dinner**

Friday, October 2nd, 2015  
Library Community Room  
5:30pm

Wine, Cider, Coffee and Tea will be Provided

A single person should bring a hearty dish or salad that will serve at least four people; a couple should bring enough for eight servings. As you fill in the form below, please be specific about your contribution so that we will be able to have a variety of food. The board members provide dessert.

Please complete this form and send it by  
Friday, September 25th, 2015 to:  
Leslie Turner  
30 Timber Dr.  
Storrs, CT 06268  
or email her at: leslieturn3@gmail.com

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ # Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Casserole or Main Dish \_\_\_\_\_

Salad or Side Dish \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP REQUEST FORM  
for the Friends of the Mansfield Library**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

*I would like to receive the Friends of the Mansfield Library newsletter by e-mail*

Enclosed is \$5.00 per address for dues and a tax deductible contribution of \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: Friends of the Mansfield Library, Inc., and mail to:  
Sarah Accorsi, 284 Storrs Road, Mansfield Center, CT 06250.

*If you would like to make a separate contribution to the Endowment Fund, make your check payable to: THE FRIENDS OF THE MANSFIELD LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND and send it also to the above address.*

**Thank You!**