NEWSLETTER ZARI KALO, EDITOR

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MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT, MARGE

DEAR FRIENDS,

Since I was a three year old pedaling my tricycle beside mother as we made our weekly visit to the library, I have always had a sense of anticipation and excitement when opening the door to one of these wonderful buildings. Through books I visited faraway places, solved many a mystery, tried a delicious new recipe, or discovered some previously unknown fact. Because of this love affair with libraries, I am excited to be your new Friends' president.

I have been involved with the Friends for the past ten years as treasurer, secretary, and board member. I have always believed in the work that they do to support the Waukegan Public Library and I am honored to carry on in the steps of all of the fine people that have gone before me. We will continue to raise money to support the little "extras" that the library is able to offer because of our efforts, a job that will be made easier and more enjoyable due to the help of a great board of directors and many hard-working Friends who believe in our mission.

All of the money we raise goes to your awardwinning library. Please support the efforts of the Friends - come and enjoy the Summer Concert Series Fridays at noon (entirely paid for by the Friends), volunteer to bake cookies, buy some cookies and pop at the concert, search for a good book in the Friends Used Book Sale area, purchase some great bargain books at our half-price sales, volunteer to help at these sales, or just be a faithful member. We appreciate whatever you do!



THE FROG PRINCE

SUMMER COURTYARD CONCERT SERIES

Friday's from twelve noon to 1:00 p.m., June 7, 2013 through August 30, 2013, come gather in the revived Stimson Sculpture Garden for our FREE Summer Courtyard Concert Series. Three new statues have been added to replace the two stolen on Memorial Day, 2012. Listen to the music and munch on goodies among "The Frog Prince," "Best Friends", and "Maxey and Me." Statue sponsors included our members Steffi Stone (and initially her now late husband, Elmer), Ann Hughes-Johnson and husband R. Vincent Johnson, Elaine Eagon, and the family and friends of Elvera A. Lake in her memory.

This year's Summer Concert Series is dedicated to the memory of Elinor Leech, former Friends board member and supporter of the library, who passed away on March 30, 2013.

Should you feel so inclined to donate your time and/or baking skills for these events, please contact Pat Mallory at 1-847-623-7671. Cookie bakers are needed throughout the summer.

Marge Ferruzzi

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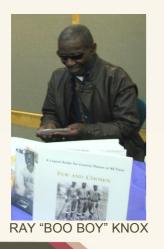
HOW DO WE SAY "THANK YOU" TO CHARLES ...

The close of the 2012 fiscal year meant not only the Annual Meeting to kick off 2013 and its new membership drive, but a heartfelt thank you to Charles Heberer for his tenure as board President. Charles is not wandering off; no, he remains as a board member. We look forward to tapping into his experience and knowledge as the 2013 year proceeds.

In cooking up our "thank you" to Charles, the first ingredient was baseball. As a favor to Charles, Gary Crawford and Ray "Boo Boy" Knox enlightened us as to the history of the Negro League and the shameful neglect of its promotion. Please check out the "Official Site of Negro League Legends and Barnstormers Baseball" at:

http://www.negroleaguelegends.org/.

Next, we invited Charles to toot his own horn! Harmonic blends of young and, eh, not as young filled the room.



Summer Book Sales in the Used Book Sale Area of the Library All Books half price! Friday, June 21, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Saturday, June 22, 1:00-4:00 p.m., & Friday, July 19, 11:00 am-4:00 pm



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MEET THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS

JUAN GONZALEZ has been a faithful worker for the Friends for many years. Every Thursday, when the Friends volunteers work in the sale area to stock and shelve books for your perusal, he is there to sort and arrange the donated magazines. He is a very willing helper, doing whatever he is asked to do to improve our used book sale area.

Juan is a long-time Waukegan resident and a graduate of Waukegan and North Chicago schools. He lives in the downtown area, and you will see him walking to the library through rain, sleet and snow. Thank you, Juan for your generous contribution to the Friends! (Submitted by Marge Ferruzzi)

MEET THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS, CONT.

ALVA R. CALDWELL (AL) is retired from his work as a United Methodist Minister who served at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, IL as Librarian and Associate Professor of Ministries. He lives in Waukegan with his wife. Bonnie Caldwell who taught French in Zion-Benton High School and Highland Park High School. They have been married 48 years and they have two adult sons, and six grandchildren. Al has been a volunteer for the American Cancer Society, and volunteers at Living Faith United Methodist Church and is currently serving as Interim Pastor for Pastoral Care at Joy Lutheran Church in Gurnee. Al considers himself a poet, a story teller, a preacher and a caregiver. "I believe that story carries great power. I try to find stories that help persons to uncover some truth in their own life. I am fond of stories which come out of the Native American culture and also stories which come from African and Asian cultures. These stories catch us off guard with their own value systems and cause us to re-examine our own values. I am also convinced that humor has a powerful presence in healing. Many of my own healing stories come out of my own experience as a Cancer Survivor. I am delighted to be volunteering with the FRIENDS of the Waukegan Library."

ZARI KALO is a native of Waukegan, having spent many youthful days in both the old Carnegie Library and the present award winning library. After a 30+ year absence from Waukegan, she returned from deep southern Illinois in 2008 to her childhood home, joining her then recently widowed mother in various activities. Zari's daughter graduated this May from Ball State earning Master Degrees in Gerontology and Wellness Management; her son will begin his second graduate year in architecture this fall at the U of I. Neither wanted to be an attorney like their mom, who is now retired. Wise choice in her opinion.

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MEMBERSHIP

We invite you to renew your membership with the FRIENDS OF THE WAUKEGAN PUBLIC LIBRARY. If you are not sure of your renewal status, look at the mailing label or email. The date of 2013 indicates you have renewed; the date of 2012 indicates that you have not yet renewed for this year. The letter beside the date is the code for Membership Type. See the Type listed on the adjacent form and use that form to renew for 2013. PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS, Let's make 2013 an exciting year for our work together.

Thanks, Al Caldwell, **Membership Chair**

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