



News & Events

from the Friends of the Beaufort Library

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President's Column

MARILYN HARCHARIK,
FOL PRESIDENT

Books Sandwiched In was again a huge success this year – the presenters were amazing and we had 200-300 attendees each week. Thanks to our sponsors and raffle donors for their very generous support.

Our 2018 season will begin the week after Martin Luther King day and will run the usual 8 Mondays at noon from January 22 to March 12. If anyone has ideas for presenters or books you would like to hear reviewed, please send your suggestions to FriendsBeaufort@gmail.com.

Our co-chairs for the last three years, Ron Jacobs and John Berra, are stepping aside and we thank them for their amazing service in putting together these shows. As you will see from the section on new Board members (page 3), our plan is to bring Gene Rugala (this year's FBI speaker) and Connie Scuderi in to co-chair BSI next year.

During BSI, we signed up 173 members and collected donations each week for raffles and coffee which will go right back into funding library programs and materials.

You also sent in checks for Scott Street Renovation and I am happy to report that because of the community support for this project, the County is replacing the carpet for the entire first floor at Scott Street in May! We are closing in on the home stretch for completing the changes. But we are still short of our goal, so if you still want to make a donation to this worthy project, it's not too late. You can donate on our website (*donations, Scott Street*). (Or use the form on page 4.)

Our Annual Meeting will be April 29th at 11AM. Come hear about what is happening at the Library and chat with your Friends.

THANK YOU for being a FRIEND!!!

APRIL EVENTS!

Friends of the Beaufort Library
Annual Members Meeting
Scott Street Branch Library
311 Scott Street, Beaufort
April 29, 2017, 11AM-NOON

Ray McBride – Library Update
Financial Update
Election of Directors
Outlook for 2018
Input and Suggestions
Refreshments, of course!

BELK'S CHARITY DAY SALE
Saturday, April 29
6:00-10:00 AM

Your \$5 ticket benefits the Friends.
Your ticket gets you in to shop and at deeply discounted sale prices April 19-29 plus you get the \$5 back on your first purchase.
Pick up purchases April 29 or later.

To get your ticket, e-mail
FriendsBeaufort@gmail.com
or contact a Friends Board member.

Save the Date!

Friends of the Beaufort Library
Annual Fall Booksale
Waterfront Park in Beaufort
September 22-24, 2017

FRIDAY

10AM - 12 NOON (Members Only)
12 NOON - 6 PM

SATURDAY

10 AM - 6 PM

SUNDAY

12 NOON - 4 PM

SILENT AUCTION

10 AM Friday - 3 PM Saturday



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Something BRAND NEW and EXCITING from the Friends of the Beaufort Library!

If you love *travel* . . . and love *history* . . . and want to explore *new experiences*. . . then the *FOL Trip to Spain in April 2018* will be perfect for you! Think about the fun and exciting experience of visiting the Count whose ancestor was Pedro Menendez, who sailed to Port Royal and established a settlement here, Santa Elena. Learn about the family history and their Beaufort connection. Be entertained and experience firsthand Spanish hospitality and culture. See some of the most significant and absolutely beautiful Spanish countryside and cities, including Madrid, Barcelona, Sevilla and much much more. Experience the wines and elegant cuisine and many activities that have been part of the Spanish cultural wealth and gift to the world for centuries.

Plan on joining us for this unforgettable experience. Watch for more details in our newsletter and on our website, as well as the library branches.



Children's Programs at our Libraries... Vicki Mix

Library activities for children of all ages cover the gamut from Tiny Tot Time, Book Clubs by age group, Chess clubs, Lego building and more. St Helena will host "Mister Rogers Neighbor Time" on Wednesdays starting in June and there will be a different craft each week. So volunteers would be greatly appreciated! If you have a special skill and want to be an instructor, we would love to hear from you. Children's program librarians set the schedule for activities and the Friends pitch in with volunteers, supplies and refreshments to help make each event rewarding and fun for the children.

Summer Reading will kick off in June. As we get closer, check the Library website event calendar (beaufortcountylibrary.org) for activities like the JOLLY LOLLIES musical group, line dancing, building and craft activities, and even live animals! There will also be great prizes awarded!

We would also welcome help with the Summer Reading Programs by a check to the Friends of the Beaufort Library or donation of craft materials like glue, craft paints, crayons, etc. Thank you in advance for your donation of money, supplies, and or time.

Reading to Kindergartners at Coosa Elementary

If you love reading to the little ones, sign up NOW to start reading in the school next fall. The long lead time is needed because the County must have a background check done on all volunteers. Contact Vicki Mix to get started.

Thanks to the great Children's Program Librarians at each branch — Kathleen McTeer and Cat Williams at Beaufort, Madeline Helser-Howard at St Helena, and Aimee Mentzer at Lobeco.

(Friends Contact for Children's Programming: Vicki Mix, svcgamix@embarqmail.com)



Books, Books and MORE BOOKS!

Selling books is the major fund-raiser of the Friends of the Beaufort Library. How do we get these books? From YOU! Many of these books are sold at our famous Annual Book Sale, held each year in Water Front Park on the last weekend in September.

But you don't have to wait until September to get wonderful books at rock-bottom prices. The Friends bookstore at the Scott Street Branch is located in a room just inside the door to the left. The Friends also have books for sale at the St. Helena Branch just inside the door to the right. You can pay for your books at the Circulation Desk. You can buy books anytime the libraries are open. (See Library hours on page 4.) **All money raised goes right back to supporting the three libraries North of the Broad — Scott Street, St. Helena and Lobeco.**

We need your books to keep our book sales healthy. Your donations can be left at either branch, Scott Street or St. Helena.

If you have a large collection of books to donate, contact our Book Sale Co-Chairs, Kinsey and Kelly Baker, for pickup (FriendsBeaufort@gmail.com).



Your used books help us to raise money for your libraries! Curious about what to donate? Here are some hints!

What TO Donate!

- Books with dust jackets
- Paperbacks in good condition
- CDs and DVDs
- Children's books

Anything that looks good and interesting!

What NOT to donate!

- Magazines
- Condensed books
- Ragged paperbacks
- Recent fiction without dust jackets
- Run-of-the-mill books in poor condition
- Old (more than 5–10 years) business and financial books
- Encyclopedias/atlas 10 years or older
- Out-of-date medical books
- Health books on yesterday's fad diets, exercise, etc.

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Bios of Proposed Board Members of the 2017–2018 FOL Board

Candidates running for their second 3-year term

Kinsey Baker is the nominee for VP and Co-Chair of the Book Sale Committee. Born and raised in New Jersey, he graduated from Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, PA, with a BS in Business Administration.

In 1978 he opened an antiquarian bookstore in Lancaster, specializing in rare books, prints, manuscripts, paintings, and other printed material. He had a shop in 3 different locations from 1978–2011, where he and his staff bought, priced, catalogued and sold used, out-of-print and rare books, prints, paintings, maps and material, selling to fellow book dealers, private individuals and institutions. He executed appraisals, acted as a purchasing agent for individuals and institutions in a public auction venue, while also consulting on collection development and collection dispersal. From 1980–2000, he was involved with the AAUW and the Friends of the Lancaster County Library, helping to sort and price the “rare” books for the annual library book sale, which numbered over 100,000 books.

In 1999 he married Kelly, his longtime assistant. They liquidated the business in 2011 and moved to Beaufort, having built a home on Cowen Creek on St. Helena Island. They are avid sailors, kayakers, bikers, nature lovers, book collectors and readers.

Pam Brandon is the nominee for At Large. She moved with her husband to Beaufort County nearly five years ago to be near her daughter and grandson. She has been very engaged with several non-profits and is also active in local and state politics. She can be seen almost everywhere with her camera, taking pictures and entertaining the crowds with her quirky sense of humor. She is a tireless volunteer and works the Book Sale for the Friends nearly every shift. She has been a valuable member of the Friends of the Library Board for the last 3 years. In her position at-large, she is able to jump in and assist with anything and everything the Friends do.

Marilyn Harcharik is the nominee for President. She has lived in Beaufort since 2003 serving on the Hospital Foundation Board and on the Friends of the Library Board twice, the last 3 years as President.

She graduated from Duke and worked in the computer/communications field as a computer programmer, in marketing, and as President of her own company. She also sold real estate in Hilton Head. Having lived in Charleston, Savannah, Hilton Head and Beaufort - she can easily say Beaufort is the best.

Larry Laughlin is the nominee for Treasurer. A resident of Beaufort County for 17 years, Larry resides on Dataw Island with his wife Diane. Larry is a graduate of Iowa Wesleyan University with a degree in Business and Economics. He worked for McDonalds Corp. in Minnesota before becoming a Franchisee for Dominos Pizza in Illinois.

He has been active in Beaufort community activities with several organizations, including Junior Golf, Second Helpings, Meals on Wheels, and Habitat for Humanity. He was treasurer for Dataw Island Yacht Club for five years. He enjoys golf, travel, and reading.

Alyssa Martin is the nominee for Co-Chair of Membership. Alyssa works with her Co-Chair, Lee Martin, to maintain and upgrade the FOL Membership database and to encourage the community to join/renew at our Book Sales and Books Sandwiched In series. She has also worked with the Board President and Social Media Chair to establish an on-line presence, enabling members to join/renew via our website and for the FOL team to communicate with our membership via email regarding events of interest, membership status, etc.

Melissa Venable is the nominee for Chair of Technology. She worked closely with the Board President, Graphic Design Director, and Membership Director to maintain the organization's website and communicate with the current membership through email updates and notifications about events. Prior to that she served as the Board Secretary from 2014 to 2016. Melissa works for HigherEducation.com, based in Seattle, as a writer and online education consultant, and is adjunct faculty at the University of South Florida and Saint Leo University.

Candidates running for their first 3-year term

Kathy Kelenski is the nominee for Co-Chair of Marketing. Kathy relocated to the Lowcountry in 2013, moving from upstate NY, where she lived until her retirement after many years in sales and marketing. The majority of her career was in advertising, working mainly for newspaper and magazine publishers. She also directed the Marketing Department at an independent living retirement community prior to retiring in 2013.

Kathy moved to Dataw with her husband Gene and has taken advantage of many opportunities to get involved with new groups and activities. Kathy joined the board of the Dataw Historical Foundation in 2014 as Fund-raising co-chair and helped to generate financial support for the new Dataw History and Learning Center which was built in 2016.

Kathy's hobbies and activities include reading (a member of two book groups), golf, Garden Club, fitness, travel and cooking.

Gene Rugala is the nominee for BSI co-chair. He spent 31 years with the FBI and retired in 2005 as Unit Chief of BAU 1, Threat Assessment and Counterterrorism. His expertise focuses on threat assessment and management in terrorism related matters as well as intimate partner violence, stalking, workplace and school violence, and sexual assault. He has testified before the US House of Representatives' Committee on Education and the Workforce, Maryland's House and Senate on stalking legislation.

He moved to Beaufort in 2005 with his wife Edie. He is on the Board of the Spanish Moss Trail, and has been on the board of Hope Haven and CODA. He was a member of Beaufort County's Affordable Housing Consortium and the City of Beaufort's Redevelopment Commission. He has testified before the SC House Committee on Domestic Violence Reform. He also loves paddle boarding and can be found floating down the river.

Connie Farrell Scuderi is the nominee for BSI co-chair. She is from Philadelphia, PA, and has lived in Florida, South Korea and Ecuador. She often visited this area in the past with her family, so decided to make her home here after returning from living abroad. In her professional life, she practiced law for many years, before joining academia as a university professor and administrator. She has always been an avid reader of a wide range of genres. Traveling and learning about and from different cultures and people is a real passion. She also loves bike riding, power walking and photography.

Marjorie (Marj) C. Shymske is the nominee for Co-Chair of Marketing. She has over 30 years experience in sales, sales management, and marketing. She also has seven years experience in executive management roles as President and CEO. Successful in leading teams and companies in both Fortune 500 as well as privately held companies, Marj is highly skilled in setting vision, creating environments where employees see possibility, and leading change that delivers value to the organization, employees and stakeholders.

Marj's experiences include building sales organization from the ground up including developing a go to market strategy that delivered differential value and grew the business at rates out pating the market. In CEO and President roles she identified the need for cultural change and implemented structure and processes that out performed ownership's financial goals and expectations.

Marj believes the key to an organization's success is team engagement beginning with creating vision, setting goals and expectations, measuring and communicating results and recognizing achievement.

Today, Marj is a sales and marketing consultant working with mid-market companies assisting them in defining and developing their sales and marketing strategy and the organizational capabilities needed for successful execution.

Marj also serves in the following roles: Secretary and Board Member of the Dataw Island Club; President and Board Member Dataw Island Visual Arts Club; Member of Women United Steering Committee of United Way of the Low Country



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Friends' Book Sales & Store Hours

Book stores are at Beaufort and St. Helena Branches. Bargain prices and great picks refreshed weekly. Open when the Library is open.

LIBRARY HOURS

BEAUFORT BRANCH

Monday & Wednesday: 9 AM - 7 PM
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9 AM - 6 PM
Saturday: 9 AM - 5 PM

ST. HELENA BRANCH

Monday-Wednesday: 11 AM - 7 PM
Thursday: 11 AM - 3 PM
Friday: 11 AM - 6 PM
Saturday: 11 AM - 4 PM

BEAUFORT DISTRICT COLLECTION

Mondays & Thursdays: 9 AM - 5 PM
Fridays: 9 AM - 5 PM

LOBECO BRANCH

Monday-Thursday: 11 AM - 6 PM
Friday & Saturday: 11 AM - 5 PM



Tributes, Memorials & Estate Giving

A great gift idea is a donation to the Friends to remember, honor or celebrate a friend or a loved one. (See Tributes section below). You can give a gift individually or get together with a group to donate.

When we receive gifts from someone's estate, we are always so thankful. This is such an easy way to

continue your support of an organization that is important to you. For more information, visit our website FriendsOfTheBeaufortLibrary.com.

TRIBUTES (ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE!)

Your donation to the Friends can be designated to fill the shelves with books, music and movies or to the much needed renovation of Scott Street or whatever is needed at the library. In either case, you can name someone to be honored, remembered, or celebrated with a Tribute recognition.

Enclosed is my contribution of \$ _____ for :

Fill the Shelves Scott Street Renovation Whatever is needed

YOUR NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

To celebrate, honor or remember someone with this gift, complete this section:

To Celebrate _____

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Please send a Tribute Notification Card to:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **Friends of the Beaufort Library**

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311 Scott Street, Beaufort, SC 29902

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YES, I would like to become a Friend of the Beaufort Library!

New Renewal _____ Date

Individual (\$15) Family (\$25) Patron (\$50)

Benefactor (\$100) Angel (\$250) Super Angel (\$500)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

Help the Friends go green! Your Friends membership includes a newsletter sent out three times a year. Check here to have your news-letter emailed to you.

Volunteer with the Friends! YES, I would like to volunteer with the Friends of the Beaufort Library. Please contact me to discuss what I can do!

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **Friends of the Beaufort Library**
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