



Friends

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Of The Alpena County Library

Newsletter



The Alpena County George N Fletcher Public Library is open and once again serving the community person to person. We hope that you have been able to come into the library and investigate the new space, wander through the books to find some old and new favorites and take the opportunity to have a seat in our comfortable spaces while you browse through a book or magazine.

Friends of the Library Members 2022

We very much appreciate your support of the Summer Reading Programs, the Blizzard of Books, future author visits and all of the other projects. Your monetary support of the Friends of the Library allowed the Friends, along with the Community Foundation, to help purchase the library pickup lockers. The lockers, pictured below, are outside on the northwest side of the library, out of the weather and are available for your use 24/7.

In late spring we'll be sending out another short newsletter with the details on the Summer Reading Program and the Used Book Sale. Included in that newsletter will be the updated list of current members. But you don't have to wait, you can send in the form on the back of this newsletter with your membership dues now. Thank you!



Friends of the Library Annual Meeting

The Friends of the Library will hold their annual meeting on May 4th at 4:30 pm in the Makerspace of the library. The purpose of this annual meeting is to elect officers and conduct the usual business of a regular Board of Directors meeting.

Please come and join us in helping our library in whatever way we're able – working at the Used Book Sale in the summer, helping with the Blizzard of Books, serving on the FOL board, gardening in the library flower beds or working receptions.

Here's what's happening at your library!

Book Club News -

- Sunday, May 22, 2022 AT 6 PM – 7 PM In BeTween Book Club: *Sal & Gabi Break the Universe* (Virtual/Ages 9-12)
- Monday, May 25, 2022 AT 5 PM – 6 PM Teen Book Club. *Never Saw You Coming* (Hybrid/Ages 12-18)
- Wednesday, March 30, 2022 AT 6 PM – 7 PM Adult Book Club *Hazards of Time Travel* (Hybrid/Ages 18+)

Programming-

- Celebrating National Pet Week May 7th: Pet Adoption 9 -12 pm and movie *Clifford the Big Red Dog* 2 pm
- Music at the Library: Troy Graham, May 21st from 2 pm- 3:30 pm, Judith A. Stillion Conf. Room
- Special Collections presents: *Women Who Shaped Alpena* May 19th at 6 p.m. Judith A. Stillion Conf. Rm

Fundraising -

- Bookmarks – We are selling bookmarks for a suggested minimum donation of one dollar. The donated artwork was designed by local artist Gene Reimann. They are at the front desk in a box built and donated by Ted O'Neil.
- T-Shirts – Look for a display showing one of the t-shirts that the Friends recently sold to raise money for the library. We will offer online ordering in the near future so keep an eye open for more information.
- Used Book Sale – Plans are underway for this event – check your mailbox and the library website for updates!

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*Take this form to the library, or mail it, with **your check payable to:***

Friends of the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library

211 North First Avenue Alpena, MI 49707 Membership Dues for January—December 2022

Individual.....\$10 Family.....\$20 Benefactor.....\$50 Patron.....\$100

Additional gift of \$_____ to support program _____ (or will use "as needed")

Name _____

Street _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please check your interests:

Blizzard of Books Used Book Sale Receptions Gardening (library beds) Serve on FOL Board

Don't forget you can support the Friends of the Library by signing up for AmazonSmile at zero cost to you!
The Friends of the Library have joined with AmazonSmile. Note that when you shop with AmazonSmile, Amazon will be donating 0.5% of every purchase you make to the **Friends of Alpena County Library**. This is at no additional cost to you.
Please visit smile.amazon.com/onthegeo to learn more.

The Friends of the Library board members are always looking for enthusiastic, knowledgeable people to help us help our Library. If this is something that interests you, we would love to have you join us. We meet the first Wednesday of each month in person but if you can't join us that way, you can join via a Zoom meeting. Please email the Friends at alpenafol@aol.com if you have any questions. Thank you, and we hope to see some new faces!

FOL GOALS

- Secure materials beyond the library budget - Provide library volunteers - Present programs and activities - Expand library offerings