



## May 2010 Newsletter

- The *Friends* will be electing new officers for our 2010/2011 fiscal year at our next meeting, **Monday, June 7th, at 7 pm** at the library. Many of the Board members have served since the *Friends* originated in 2003 and feel it is time to recruit some new members with new ideas. Our By-Laws call for a minimum of five Board members. Our current slate of new officers has only four names. In order to continue to support our library we MUST recruit new Board members. If you have ever considered taking a turn on the board, NOW is the time. Please contact our current president, Patti Tyson, to volunteer and /or ask questions about what is involved. Patti can be reached at 503-647-5582 or [pjt2831@msn.com](mailto:pjt2831@msn.com).
- The *Friends*' major fundraising event of the year is the upcoming book sale at the North Plains Elephant Garlic Festival, August 6, 7 and 8. We are now actively accepting book donations. Our library director, Debbie Brodie, sorts through all book donations to see which ones will be added to the collection. The rest are sold by the *Friends* and the proceeds go to buy new books and materials for the library. It is a fun event for our community. Margaret Reh will be scheduling volunteer shifts to work the sale. More help is needed. We will be setting up on Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Margaret at the library at 503-647-5051 to volunteer.
- In addition to the Elephant Garlic Festival book sale, the *Friends* have traditionally built a library float for the Festival Parade. We need to have a committee to plan and build this year's float. Please contact the *Friends* at [FriendsNPPL@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsNPPL@gmail.com) if you can work on this committee.
- The current art work hanging in the library needs refurbishing. New labels are needed. Art work could be rotated and local artists featured. To address these issues, the *Friends* would like to form an "Art Committee" to serve our library. Please contact Karen Conklin if you would like to join this new committee. Karen can be reached at 503-647-2709 or [karenconklin8@msn.com](mailto:karenconklin8@msn.com).
- The *Friends* have been evaluating the programs we have hosted at the library. Most of the events have been related to the One Book One Community programs. Recently we also helped sponsor an evening of storytelling through the Hearing Voices program of WCCLS. Our financial donation brought "Legends of Mexico" to North Plains. Please share your thoughts with us about the kind of programs you would like to see at our library. Our goal has been to enrich our community with cultural programs and events and draw an enthusiastic crowd of library supporters. We need more input if we are to continue these programs.
- Soon we will be sending out *Friends* membership renewal letters for the next fiscal year beginning July 1st. We hope we can count on your active support for our beautiful North Plains Library in the coming year.
- Please plan on attending the next *Friends* meeting on **Monday, June 7th, at 7 pm** in the Library.