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The FRIENDS support the library in a variety of ways. Our activities include but are not limited to sponsoring the Summer Reading Program, volunteering for library and FRIENDS events, holding a used book sale over multiple days—three times each year & sending books to military personnel. We need many volunteers to work on these and other existing projects. Please consider renewing or joining the FRIENDS. Thank you!

Individual Member $5.00  Family $10.00  Contributing Member $_______

Name: _____________________________
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How would you like to help us? __________________________

The membership year is January 1 through December 31, 2020. Please make your check payable to FRIENDS of the Flat River Community Library and mail it to or drop it off at the
200 W. Judz St., Greenville, MI 48838.
Thank you, we appreciate your support!
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Footnotes

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Thank you to Ralph Bain who supported the printing of this edition of Footnotes.
We so appreciate it.

AN INVITATION...

The beautiful months of autumn have descended upon us, which would be great if winter didn’t have to follow. I hope you all have a chance to experience the glorious colors of fall, if only in your own back yard. But winter does not have to be so bad, because the library has many interesting events happening throughout the season to keep you entertained. And what’s even better, is that this great group that you belong to sponsors quite a few of them. They are free, they are fun or educational, and they make you feel like you are part of the community. You really should put on your coat, gloves, and maybe even galoshes and come see for yourself. If you don’t want to drive, convince someone else. We even serve goodies!

New Christy Minstrels

Sponsored by the FRIENDS, we had a concert here with the New Minstrels, well, what was left of them. There were nine in the original group at one time but many have come and gone. Kenny Rogers was once a part of them and a few others that you may know of. Now there are only seven members that still record and perform. The two that came to our library like to do concerts at libraries and we were lucky they came to ours. Their music was great, if you like folk music and even if you don’t it was fun hearing all the old songs. They didn’t sing just their songs but they sang songs of their contemporaries, such as: Peter, Paul and Mary, Gordon Lightfoot and John Denver. They also told stories about their experiences with these people and also jokes about them. They loved for us to sing along with them, so that made the evening even that much more fun. In the picture, you can see their traveling companion. He slept through the whole thing!
DNA Testing

*Friends* also hosted a guest speaker who explained the ins and outs of DNA testing. It was a fascinating subject, especially for anyone who is trying to find someone. If you have any information about your background, you can find out who your long lost relatives are. The different companies do not come up with exactly the same data because the research is based on previous clients and research that has already been done in different countries. Most research is European based since the majority of people have European DNA somewhere in their background. You can also have a deeper test done where they can study your health genes. That can be good for someone who is not sure of their heredity. It might be good to know in advance what bad genes you carry so you can head it off or stop it all together. I have included a list of the best companies if you are interested.

**PICKING A DNA TESTING COMPANY**

**Ancestry**
- Ancestry DNA - $99
- Ancestry Health - $149

**23and Me**
- Ancestry - $99
- Health & Ancestry - $199

**Family Tree DNA - Family Finder Test**
- $79

**My Heritage**
- $49 (normally $79)

*Friend's Reading List*

A few of the *Friends* have submitted titles that they feel are good reads and maybe you would enjoy reading them. Also, if you also also have such a book, please submit it to me so it can be shared.

**Book Titles**
- Look Alive Twenty-Five
- Books 1 through 24
- The Midwife's Series
- The Tattooist of Auschwitz
- My Grandfather's Son
- All Books
- The Heartbeat of Wounded Knee
- The Wedding Gift
- Issac's Storm
- Big Jack
- All Books
- Paradox

**Authors**
- Janet Evanovich
- Heather Morris
- Clarence Thomas
- Edkins
- David Treuer
- Marlen Suyapa Bodden
- Eric Larsen
- J. D. Robb
- J. D. Robb
- Catherine Coulter

**Calling All Book Lovers!**

It's autumn and that means *FRIENDS* is having its third and last Used Book Sale and Cookie Sale and Silent Auction of 2019. We want you to spread the word that we have books of all sorts that are hard and soft cover, DVDs, CDs and puzzles.

**Dates:** November 15 & 16

**Times:** Friday and Saturday 9:00am-5:00pm

**Where:** Flat River Community Library's lobby and Stafford Room

**Why:** To raise money for library programs and needs

We look forward to seeing you there!

**Calling All Volunteers!**

If you are willing and able to volunteer for the Book Sale, Julie Mombert would love to hear from you! Needed are people who can help as greeters, cashiers, stockers and to clean up afterward. Please call her at 616-754-4531.

**Baked Goods Donations Needed**

Every year we try to be just a little better than the last and I need your help with cookies or breads. If you could help with this bake sale, it would be wonderful. Cookies without frosting should be brought to the library in disposable containers. I will package them. But, you need to identify the kind of cookie so that we may label them correctly. The cookies sell very fast so we need as many as possible. Your baked goods may be left at the circulation desk or the Stafford Room during business hours between November 14 and 16. All bake sale proceeds benefit our library so let's make it a successful sale. Thank you so very much!

Louise Warsaw-Esterley, Chairperson

**FRIENDS Sponsored Events, 2019**

November 15: FRIENDS Used Book Sale & Cookie Sale and Silent Auction
- 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

November 16: FRIENDS Used Book Sale & Cookie Sale and Silent Auction,
- 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

November 7: FRIENDS Meeting - 7 p.m.

December 5: FRIENDS Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

December 7: Make-A Gift - 10 a.m. to Noon

January 2: NO FRIENDS Meeting

February 6: FRIENDS Meeting - 7 p.m.

March 5: FRIENDS Meeting - 7 p.m.

April 2: FRIENDS Meeting - 7 p.m.