A PUBLICATION OF THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
RIO RANCHO, NEW MEXICO

Bookfriends

2016, Vol. I

A Message From Our President, Kris Axtell

Dear Friends,

Spring has come & time for all that cleaning! I'm not sure the Friends do a lot of book cleaning, but we certainly do a lot of book moving! We have had a great influx of book donations every month this year. If you or your friends could donate a couple of hours each week, we have a job for you! Our price-&-sort crew can use more hands every Thursday morning, and the Friends' Shop at Loma Colorado Main Library can use more volunteers, too. None of these jobs are hard to learn – just come join other Friends!

Have you noticed the ***beautiful handmade cards for sale in the Friends' Shop*** the last two months? Many thanks to Cindy Driear for her generosity in donating her talent, time, AND all the supplies as she makes these charming cards! What a huge hit! They are $3.00 each – a remarkable bargain for this high quality of handmade card – with all proceeds going to the Friends' funding of library programs. ***Thank you so much, Cindy!***

Our thanks to those who traveled to the Roundhouse in Santa Fe one fine, late January day for Library Legislative Day to show our support for the general obligation bond program. As Library Director Lynette Schurdevin explains, this GO bond will provide funds for public library resources when approved by the Legislature and/or the voters in November's state-wide elections. ***Get ready to vote YES in November!***

I hope to see you at our Annual Membership Meeting & Luncheon on April 15! In the meantime, stay safe! 🕮

Board members (from left) Jeanette Kinker, Diane Taylor, & Mary Burnett signed up 32 new Friends & renewals during a membership drive at the March Book Sale. A drawing was held for two gift bags stuffed with flower garden starting kits & assorted spring lemon treats.

Advocating for Rio Rancho libraries at Library Legislative Day in Santa Fe are (back row from left) Friends' Board members Steve Dietzel & Bruce Goodman; (front row from left) Lynette Schurdevin, Library Director; Anne Goodman, Trustee & Friend; Therese Erskine, Librarian; and Debbie Coston, then-president of the Rio Rancho Library Board of Trustees.

Your invitation to attend the Friends'

Annual Membership Meeting & Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

Friday, April 15th at 11:30am, in the Loma Colorado Main Library Auditorium

All Friends' members are welcome to enjoy our traditional lunch together, hear first-hand about the past year's achievements and future plans, vote in the election of Board members, applaud the 2016 Volunteer of the Year—and perhaps go home with a lovely door prize!

If you wear your Hawaiian shirt or your favorite spring hat,
you will be entered into a drawing for a very special prize! 🕮

In Memory of our dear Friend Doris Alan

I had the pleasure of working with Doris at our monthly book sales as we cashiered together. We had a good time & would catch up on each other's lives when things got quiet. Doris told me stories of her life—her husband passed away when their children were young, so she basically raised her children on her own. She was a very strong person! We had serious chats but also lots of laughs. She was a good role model, & I hope I am able to volunteer as actively as she was!
Kristal Breeze

When I first started working in the Friends' Shop, Doris replaced me on Mondays, & we would chat about our lives. She was also a dedicated cashier at our book sales & volunteered at the Albuquerque Balloon Museum, too. Doris really enjoyed taking "mystery" bus tours, was always pleased with the adventures, & enjoyed sharing with me what she saw & did. She always remembered me at Christmas with a special card & piece of her favorite candy. She was a good, hard working, dedicated, kind person & a special friend to me & to the Friends of the Library!
Rita Armijo 🕮

The Holiday Luncheon

Fine Friends, good food, door prizes, & a very merry Holiday Sweater Contest!

Star Wars Fest 4 drew 1,000+ enthusiasts of all ages to Loma Colorado Main Library to attend Stormtrooper Training Camp; make Droid cubelets, light saber pencils & Wookie Cookies; have photos made with the 501st & Rebel Legions; & enjoy snacks & a Star Wars Lego display in the Cantina. This annual event is the second largest library program the Friends support, after the Summer Reading Program.

Gently Used Book Donations & Book Hutch

We can only accept book donations at our book hutch outside of Loma Colorado Main Library (LCML):

- Drive to the far right of the Library, into the Employee Parking area.
- Place your bagged or boxed donations inside the unpainted wooden donation hutch (shown in this photo), which is located against the northern wall of LCML .
- If you would like a receipt for tax purposes, please drive to the main lot by the Library's front door, park, enter the library, and go directly to the Friends' Shop.

Be a Friend of the Library of Rio Rancho!

☐ New Member ☐ Annual Renewal

Name_____

Address_____

_____

Phone_____

E-Mail_____
Date_____

Membership Categories

❍ Student/Senior (62 & over)	$5
❍ Friend (1 person)	$10
❍ Family	$20
❍ Sponsor (1 person)	$25
❍ Supporter (1 person)	$50
❍ Patron (1 person)	$100
❍ Benefactor (1 person)	$250

- The Friends of the Library of Rio Rancho (FOLRR) is a 501(c)(3) organization that raises funds & promotes the Rio Rancho Library System. Membership dues & other contributions are tax deductible to the extent of the law.
- We can be contacted at (505) 892-7323 (89-2READ).
- Your membership & contributions help to expand the effectiveness of the Library System as an educational & recreational center in Rio Rancho. The Friends of the Library gratefully accepts bequests, memorials, & tributes.
- Please make your check payable to: **The Friends of the Library of Rio Rancho, Inc.** Mail to PO Box 15143, Rio Rancho, NM 87174, or bring your membership form to the Friends' Shop at the Loma Colorado Main Library.

I would like to help:

__ in the book store

__ with book sorting & pricing

__ by serving on the Board

__ at monthly book sales

Friends of the Library of Rio Rancho, Inc.
Phone: (505) 892-READ
PO Box 15143
Rio Rancho, NM 87174
Address Service Requested

NONPROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
ALBUQUERQUE, NM
PERMIT NO. 1741

Rio Rancho Library System Locations & Hours

Loma Colorado Main Library
755 Loma Colorado Drive NE
(505) 891-5013
Monday-Thursday, 10 A.M.–8 P.M.
Friday-Saturday, 10 A.M.–5 P.M.

Esther Bone Memorial Library
950 Pinetree Road SE
(505) 891-5012
Sunday-Monday, Closed
Tuesday, 12–8 P.M.
Wed-Sat, 9 A.M.–5 P.M.

Bookfriends, the Friends of the Library of Rio Rancho, Inc.'s newsletter, is published three times a year. Members' comments & contributions are welcome. Please email us at info@FOLRR.org or mail material, including your phone number, to Newsletter Editor, Friends of the Library of Rio Rancho, PO Box 15143, Rio Rancho, NM 87174.

Upcoming Events & Dates

Visit FOLRR.org or call us at 892-READ for details.

GIANT Book Sales

Loma Colorado Main Library Auditorium

Second Saturday every month &
Fri. AND Sat. 4 times per year!

Saturday, April 9

10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

May 13 & 14,
June 11,
July 8 & 9, Aug 13

Please join us for the Friends'

Annual Membership Meeting & Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

Friday, April 15th at 11:30am

Loma Colorado Main Library Auditorium

Enjoy our traditional lunch with Friends, the election of Board members, the announcement of the 2016 Volunteer of the Year, & door prizes! ***AND—if you wear a Hawaiian shirt or your favorite spring hat, you will be entered into a drawing for a special prize!***