

# Between Friends

Newsletter of the Friends of the Nampa Library Spring 2014

## Vote, and then come to the FOL's Annual Meeting May 14

By Debbie Holm

As the new Nampa library takes shape, the *Friends of the Library* are preparing for a *FOL Bookstore* and other changes.

The *FOL* Board has adopted new bylaws, printed on Pages 2 and 3. Members are encouraged to review them in preparation for a final vote at the *FOL* annual meeting.

### Mark your calendar!

May 14 — *FOL* Annual meeting noon, Nampa Public Library, basement.

May 17 — Parade America. Library Director Mark Rose will be making make a special announcement that day.

June 3 — Texas Roadhouse Library Fundraiser. Buy a ticket for a great meal for \$10, and \$8 goes to the library!

June 27 — Downtown Nampa Nights will spotlight the Library.

All members are invited to the annual meeting on May 14 at noon in the Nampa Library basement—salads and dessert will be provided and served by the officers.

A ballot for officers and board members for the coming year is also found in this newsletter.

Please vote and return the ballot either electronically or by mail before April 30, 2014. The results of the election will be announced at the annual meeting.

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In other areas, we want to thank those who donate books. Phil Bence is continuing to sell many online, which gives us the best possible return. We need even more donations. If you see books at yard sales, be sure to tell the sellers that we will pick them up at the end of the sale, and hand them Phil's phone number, 468-7753, and his email address: [4pbence@gmail.com](mailto:4pbence@gmail.com)



This group of Friends and their friends gathered last fall at Debby Booth's home to celebrate the new library.

### Friends of the Library Ballot 2014-15

The deadline to vote for FOL officers and board members is April 30. The candidates are:

- President: Jeanette Quist
- Vice President: Donna Bailey
- Secretary: Misty Preece
- Treasurer: Debby Booth
- Board member: Wilma Anderson
- Board member: Jan King
- Board member: Susan Lambert
- Board member: Judy Lucas
- Board member: Patsy Waters
- Write-in: \_\_\_\_\_

**To vote electronically:** Email your choices to: [donnak49bailey@gmail.com](mailto:donnak49bailey@gmail.com). (It's fine to write: "I vote for all listed officers and board members.")

**To vote by mail:** Mark your choices on this ballot, clip it, and mail it to: *Friends of the Nampa Public Library, Inc.* C/O Nampa Public Library 101 11<sup>th</sup> Ave South, Nampa, ID 83651.

**President** — Jeanette Quist  
**Vice President** — Donna Bailey  
**Treasurer** — Debby Booth  
**Secretary** — Misty Preece  
**Newsletter Editor** — Debbie Holm

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# BYLAWS OF FRIENDS of the NAMPA PUBLIC LIBRARY INC.

## ARTICLE 1: NAME

This organization shall be known as *Friends* of the Nampa Public Library, Inc. This organization is a Non-Profit (501-C3) Corporation as designated by the Internal Revenue Service and the State of Idaho.

## ARTICLE 2: LOCATION

Official address: *Friends* of the Nampa Public Library, Inc.  
Current: C/O Nampa Public Library 101 11<sup>th</sup> Ave South, Nampa, ID 83651  
Spring 2015: C/O Nampa Public Library 215 12<sup>th</sup> Ave South, Nampa, ID 83651

## ARTICLE 3: MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of *Friends* of the Nampa Public Library is to provide services for the residents of Nampa that will: 1) Increase the community's awareness of the library, 2) Encourage use of the library by community members of all ages, 3) Enhance the services available, and 4) Develop resources that will benefit the community.

## ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP

**4.1 Eligibility:** Any individual, family, business, association, group, or corporation interested in the purpose of this association shall be eligible for membership provided they pay the annual (January 1- December 31) dues as determined by the Board of Directors.

**4.2 Membership Terms:** Membership terms shall last for one calendar year.

Membership of the organization shall be composed of four classes:

Individual Membership: adult person (18 & up), youth (<18), senior citizen (>65)

Family Membership: two or more people who reside at the same address

Patron Membership: individuals, couples, or families

Sustaining/Business Membership: businesses, corporations, associations, or other groups

**4.3 Rights of Membership:** Members of the association shall have no rights or interests in the assets of the association. In the event of dissolution, any assets remaining in the association shall be turned over as a gift to the Nampa Public Library.

**4.4 Termination of Membership:** Any Member of this association who fails to pay the annual (January 1- December 31) dues shall cease to be a member.

## ARTICLE 5: MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

**5.1 Board Meetings:** Any member of this association may attend the regular board meetings.

**5.2 Annual Meeting:** The annual meeting will be held each year as designated by the Board of directors. The results of the Board and Officers elections will be announced. The

officers and committee chairpersons will give an account of their annual reports. The annual meeting is open for all members.

**5.3 Rules of Order:** Meetings will be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

**5.4 Notice of Meeting:** Notices will be issued prior to meetings stating when, where, why, and how to prepare if necessary. These notices may be delivered either personally, by mail, or electronically.

## ARTICLE 6: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**6.1 Function:** The Board of Directors of *Friends* of the Nampa Public Library shall establish policies which are consistent with the mission and purpose as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws. It shall hear reports of the officers and committees of the *Friends*, and shall act upon pertinent resolutions and matters presented.

**6.2 Composition:** The Board of Directors shall be composed of *Friends* with no less than 7 members and no more than 11 members. Officers are included as board members.

**6.3 Terms:** Board members, including officers, shall serve for a term beginning with their election and ending with the adjournment of the annual meeting. The terms will be 2 years. No limit on consecutive terms. Any board member who has three (3) consecutive unexplained absences at Board meetings will automatically be dropped from the Board.

**6.4 Compensation:** Members shall receive no compensation for their services.

**6.5 Limitation of Power:** Neither the President, nor any other officer, or member of the association shall have the power to contract any debt or incur any liability without the authority of the Board at a scheduled meeting.

## ARTICLE 7: OFFICERS

**7.1 Officers:** The Officers of *Friends* of the Nampa Public Library shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

**7.2 Terms:** The officers of this corporation shall be nominated by the Board of Directors (see Article 8 for more details) and voted upon by the general membership. The officers shall serve for a term beginning with their election and ending with the adjournment of the annual meeting. The terms will be 2 years. No limit on consecutive terms.

**7.3 Duties of the Officers:**

**7.3.1 President:** The President shall be responsible for carrying out the purposes of the *Friends*. The President shall preside at all meetings of the members and Board of Directors. The President shall perform other duties

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pertaining to this office, as well as such duties assigned by the Board of Directors. The President shall be a member of the Board of Directors during the term of office.

**7.3.2 Vice-President:** The Vice-President shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the President or by the Board. During any period in which the President is unavailable or unable to serve, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of, and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice-President shall be a member of the Board of Directors during the term of office.

**7.3.3 Secretary:** The Secretary shall keep the minutes for the proceedings of the Board of Directors' meetings and other special meetings. The Secretary will maintain a notebook that includes agendas, minutes, and other pertinent reports. The Secretary shall issue notices of all meetings of the Board. The Secretary shall perform other duties pertaining to this office, as well as such duties assigned by the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall be a member of the Board of Directors during the term of office.

**7.3.4 Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall be responsible for all monies, securities, and tangible and intangible assets of the *Friends*. The Treasurer shall fulfill all government requirements including, but not limited to, filing taxes, licenses, renewals, and insurance policies. The Treasurer shall maintain books of accounts, which shall be available for inspection at any time by the Board. The Treasurer will create an annual financial report and budget for the annual meeting. The Treasurer shall be a member of the Board of Directors during the term of office.

**7.4 Resignation/Removal:** Any member of the Board may resign at any time by giving written notice to the President or Secretary. The Board may remove any officer or agent elected or appointed by the Board of Directors whenever it is in the best interest of the corporation.

**7.5 Vacancies:** The unexpired terms of the resigning or removed board members may be filled by an appointment of the President with the approval of the Board. Board members so appointed shall serve out the balance of the term vacated. Unexpired terms of officers similarly may be filled.

## ARTICLE 8: ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

**8.1 Nominations:** A Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President which will submit the names of nominees for each board position to be filled. Additional nominations for any position may be made to the nominating committee any time prior to 45 days before the annual meeting.

**8.2 Ballots:** Ballots shall be mailed or sent electronically

together with the notice of the annual meeting to the membership thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting. The members shall vote for their choice of Board members and shall have the right to 'write in' on said ballot the name of such individuals, as they desire. The ballot must be received one week prior to the annual meeting to be considered in the elections.

**8.3 Election:** Board Members shall be elected by a majority vote of the members as recorded in the mail-in, personal delivery, or electronically returned ballots.

## ARTICLE 9: COMMITTEES

**9.1 Committees:** The President, with the approval of the Board, shall designate committees, their duties, and their size deemed necessary to carry out the purpose of *Friends* of the Nampa Public Library.

**9.1.1 Membership:** The Membership Chairperson shall update and maintain the current membership records; names, addresses, phone #s, and email addresses. The Membership Chair shall notify active/current members of renewal dates, as well as contact members with lapsed memberships. The Membership Chair shall prepare monthly and annual membership reports. The Membership Chair shall assist in seeking new memberships.

**9.1.2 Book Store:** The President, with the approval of the Board, shall appoint a Book Store Manager or Managers who are responsible for the operations of the book store. The Book Store Manager shall report to the Board. The Book Store Manager is also a member of the Board.

## ARTICLE 10: LIAISON TO THE FRIENDS OF NAMPA PUBLIC LIBRARY

**10.1 Representative:** The Director of Nampa Public Library shall be the Library's official representative, i.e., the official and recognized conduit for communications between the *Friends* and the Library in all matters relating to both organizations.

## ARTICLE 11: AMENDMENTS

**11.1 Amendments:** The Bylaws may be amended, repealed, and or new Bylaws may be adopted by a majority of the Board of Directors present at any regular meeting or at any special meeting. At least five days written notice should be given with the purpose clearly stated, and a majority agreeing with the reason for amending.  
BYLAWS revised February 2014

## SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the Board of Directors of *Friends* of the Nampa Public Library, INC. has duly adopted the foregoing BYLAWS at a meeting held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014. Secretary Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Mary Stewart's books knock your sock off!

By Susan Cropper, FOL member

Have you ever hankered for a good, readable story that takes you places, and then, just when you have everything organized, you realize that things are NOT as they seem: "He is really WHO?" "She did WHAT??"

Not all of Mary Stewart's stories knock your socks off, but they're all good reads.

*Airs Above the Ground* includes the Lipizzaner stallions, but is not exclusively about them.

By the end of the first chapter you'll understand what I mean! If it seems confusing, it won't be for long: because when you discover this, you realize that something else is that, and... you can hardly wait until things resolve a bit!

*The Ivy Tree* is another twisty-turny novel. . . And then there's *The Wind Off the Small Isles*—when you finish, you have the tendency to clutch the book to your chest and say, "Omigosh, Omigosh, Omigosh!!!"

The only trouble with this little 194-

page book is that it's out of print and expensive—it sells online for \$50 to \$100.

I hope to write to the copyright holders and see if they can get it back into print.

Stewart's *Merlin Trilogy* is well worth reading if you're into that sort of fantasy—a different style than some of her other books.

I don't recommend any one Stewart book—I liked them all! Some have romance, and some don't. No clues—you should experience this author for yourself!

## Become a Friend Today!

Yes I want to purchase a Friends of the Library membership for 2014. Please complete the form at the right and make a check to & send to:  
*Friends of the Nampa Public Library*, 101 11th Ave. S., Nampa, ID 83651

Annual membership options for the *Friends* of the Nampa Public Library:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$15 Individual Membership  | <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 Family Membership             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Youth Membership (<18) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Senior Membership (65 and up) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Patron Membership      | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Business/Sustaining Member   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> _____ New Membership        | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Membership renewal           |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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