

LIBRARY SUPPORT

-  Purchased the following for the Library:
 - Multi-media equipment for public outdoor movie screenings and radio story hours
 - Winter seasonal décor for circulation and reference desks
-  Donated \$1,500 to the Library for the purchase of books
-  Subscribed to *BookPage* for distribution to Library patrons
-  Provided free bookmarks and book bags for Library patrons
-  Supported the Library Manager's membership fees and conference registration for the American Library Association as well as staff education and professional development opportunities
-  Donated \$5,000 to Bartlett City School libraries through the Read for Your School Contest
-  Donated \$2,000 to Shelby County Books from Birth for free books distributed to Bartlett children
-  Sponsored the Summer Reading Program Kick-Off event and year-round programs for children, teens, and adults
-  Participated in community events - Bartlett Business EXPO and Read Across America
-  Conducted the 17th Annual Book Sale as well as daily and feature sales in the Library; continued to sell selected books on eBay
-  Celebrated National Library Workers Day by providing lunch for Library staff
-  Celebrated National Friends of Libraries Week with a display in the Library lobby and a special ½-price book sale

FUNDRAISING BOOK SALES

Friends' primary source of revenue is the sale of books donated by the community. Sales are conducted in various formats.

The 17th *Annual Book Sale* held April 20-23, 2022, raised \$4,675 for the Library. Some 550 people shopped the sale, and thousands of books were placed in the hands of new owners. Unsold books were donated to ReStore, the Habitat for Humanity thrift store.

Feature Sales offering a different category of book each month except June & July are held inside the Library.

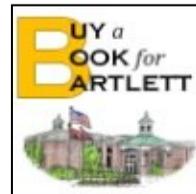
Books of all types are offered year round on the *Daily Sale* shelves near adult fiction.

The Feature Sales and Daily Sales accounted for 52% of Friends' income last year, a total of \$10,436

Friends continued to list books of higher value on *eBay*. Online sales accounted for \$1,571 or 8% of total revenues. This is a program that is expected to expand in coming years.

DONATIONS

As a non-profit public charity, Friends accepts donations from individuals and organizations. Donations amounted to \$1,014 this year. These donations are used to support the work of Friends and for current Library needs.



The Buy a Book for Bartlett program provides donors the opportunity to support the Library while honoring or memorializing a special person with placement of a bookplate in a library book. These funds are used only to purchase new books for the Library.

Donations to Friends may be tax deductible.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Bartlett Festival Sept. 30-Oct. 1, 2022
Business Expo TBD

Annual Book Sale:
Members Preview April 19, 2023
Public Sale April 20-22, 2023

Feature Sales:

Biggest & Best Books	August
Health, Diet, Self-Help	September
Fine Arts, Entertainment & Architecture	September
Sci-Fi, Fantasy, Horror	October
Regional Interest	October
Cookbooks	November
Holiday & Gift Books	December
African-American Interest	January
Religion	January
Romance	February
Biography & History	February
Biggest & Best Books	March
Military	May

Categories are subject to change based on availability of books. Additional sales may be offered.

Program Meetings:
September 12, 2022 March 13, 2023
December 12, 2022 June 12, 2023
(Annual Meeting)



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FRIENDS OF THE BARTLETT PUBLIC LIBRARY



2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT

The mission of Friends of the Bartlett Public Library is to promote and enhance the Bartlett Library facilities and services through advocacy, volunteer service, and fundraising and to encourage literacy, learning, and reading.

Friends is a non-profit
501(c)(3) organization.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

While some planned events were cancelled, Friends sought other ways to positively impact our community. Friends were thrilled to have the opportunity to donate books to the



Women's Jail through the Shelby County Sheriff's Department as well as Youth Villages this year. The Chamber of Commerce Business Expo was held in March and Friends were there sharing about the Library and Friends Group with hundreds

of attendees. Even "Elvis" made an appearance.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Friends provides financial support for Library programs for all ages, infant through adult, throughout the year. While under pandemic guidelines, Library staff continued to provide programs online, via zoom, as well as outdoors with funding from Friends. Craft supplies are purchased for children's story times each week. Funds for supplies and program presentations during the summer and the summer kick-off event are also provided by Friends.



MEMBERSHIP

Currently, Friends of the Bartlett Public Library has 209 members. Membership includes 32 charter members and 117 3-year members. Dues for an individual membership remains \$10 for one year or \$25 for three years.

Each individual membership entitles the member and their minor children to attend the Preview Sale during the annual book sale in April and ensures personal notification of Friends' programs and events.

All new and renewing members receive \$1.50 in Book Buck\$ valid for a discount at any Friends book sale.

Membership forms are available at the Library and on the website.

FINANCIAL REPORT

May 31, 2021—May 31, 2022

Beginning Balance **\$112,647**

Income **\$20,220**

Dues	1,665
Buy a Book Donations	200
Other Donations	814
Annual Book Sale	4,673
Daily & Feature Sales	10,436
On-line Book Sales	1,571
Flash Drive Sales	84
Interest	777

Expenses **(\$18,085)**

Administration	2,395
Fundraising:	
- Book Sales	262
- Flash Drives	0
- On-Line Sales	318
Library Staff Support & Development	1,060
Library Workers' Day	266
Books/Materials Collection	1,500
Equipment, Furnishings & Supplies	601
Library Programs	881
Children's Programs	1,887
Teen Programs	1,101
Adult Programs	814
Donations:	
- Read for Your School	5,000
- Books From Birth	2,000

Ending Balance **\$114,782**

LITERACY INNICIATIVES



One of our most important goals as Friends is to encourage early learning and literacy in our community. Several opportunities presented themselves

this past year including reading to students in City schools during Read Across America.

QUARTERLY PROGRAMS

Friends and guests are invited to attend quarterly programs that are both informative and entertaining. Programs are held on the 2nd Monday evenings of March, June, September and December.

Programs this year included outdoor meetings in Freeman Park, Holiday Music presented by the Oak Elementary Music Club under the direction of Anthony Richardson, and an informative presentation by Mia Henley, Executive Director for Creative Aging.



Topics and speakers are announced in the Newsletter, on social media and Friends' website, and on the screens in the Library. Members receive a personal invitation by postcard and an e-mail.

Programs are free and open to the public and are preceded by a social time with refreshments.

MEMBER COMMUNICATION

Friends continues to reach out through an on-line presence. In addition to the Facebook page we have maintained for several years, we also post information on Instagram and on our website.

www.FriendsBartlettLibrary.org

OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2021 – 2022

Officers:

President:	Amy Venckus
Vice-President:	Rosemary Gaynier
Treasurer:	Tammy Phillips
Secretary:	Barbara Spalding
Past President:	Unfilled

Directors:

Sarah Hubbard
Wendy Linz
Pat Sexton
Linda Wong

Ex Officio, non-voting:

Nakia Armstrong, Library Manager
Sharon Shappard, Chair, Programs & Events
Carol Huff, Chair, Book Sales

READ FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Friends continues to sponsor the Read for Your School Contest each summer distributing \$5,000 among all eleven Bartlett City School libraries in recognition of their students' reading achievements.

Read for Your School
@the Bartlett Public Library

Final Count



Elementary Schools

Bon Lin Elementary	63,072 minutes
Altruria Elementary	56,341
Ellendale Elementary	48,318
Bartlett Elementary	35,232
Oak Elementary	20,879
Rivercrest Elementary	2,935

Middle and High Schools

Applying Middle	25,833 minutes
Elmore Park Middle	14,231
Ninth Grade Academy	5,500
Bon Lin Middle	4,600
Bartlett High	3,587

Special thanks to the Bartlett Friends of the Library who make this all possible!