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### 25th Great Okanagan Book Sale

Immaculate Conception Parish Hall  
Sutherland Avenue, Kelowna

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October, 9:30 am to 9 pm**  
**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October, 9:30 am to 9 pm**  
**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October, 9 am to 3 pm**

A hall-full of **adult books**: fiction (mystery, romance, western, sci-fi); non-fiction (many subject areas), soft and hard covers, for the bargain price of **\$1 each**.

A whole room-full of **children's books** (**50¢ each**) plus puzzles & games. Large Print books & titles in other languages.

**Media** items-CDs & DVDs

**Premium** books for \$2, \$5, \$10 (high quality content, good-as-new)

....the best place to shop for winter and Christmas holiday reading!

Refreshments & cookies available to keep up the energy levels of shoppers!

### Meet the Challenge!

The 24th Annual Book Sale (2012) raised over \$26,700, thanks to our many energetic volunteers. With smaller sales across 2012, it was a successful year with almost \$33,000 raised. Regular smaller sales earlier in 2013 kept our sorting house volunteers and directors busy: Spring Sale (April), summer Outdoor Sale (June) & in conjunction with the KGH Auxiliary, 2-day premium book sale conducted (August) in the Kelowna General Hospital main admissions lobby.

## NEWSLETTER

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 **great Library**  
**things funded by Friends**

In May each year FOL Directors review wish lists submitted by the branch librarians – for 2013, \$12,645 and for 2012, \$12,065 worth of items were approved. Foremost is FOLs commitment to **Summer Reading Club** programming – \$7000 for each of the last two years - for crafts, giveaways, prizes & additional guests at the three branches.

#### Kelowna:

Digital microform reader/printer; licensing for FREE MOVIE nights; fairytale mural for Childrens reading nook; themed mat at Childrens desk; display shelving units; wall quotations; board games & game board table

#### Mission:

Electric fireplace; iPod & docking station; bean bags for Teens area; TeenTime craft programming; Lego kits; Christmas tree & seasonal decore; mural for Childrens area.

#### Rutland:

Christmas with the Chiefs hockey team; tabletop puppet theatre; hanging "bee" light for Childrens media corner; Childrens mural *Lounging Lions*; seasonal decore; storytime reading chairs; staff room comforts.

Annually, 40% of our major book sale proceeds (\$12,007 in 2012), go to ORL HQ for system-wide projects e.g. TakeOut Surprise bags of books (coming soon), audio & e-book collections and ORL book bags.

### Annual General Meeting 2013 Saturday November 23<sup>rd</sup>

**From 10am, in Main Meeting Room**  
**Kelowna Branch Library**  
**1380 Ellis Street**

(Desperately seeking Directors, see page 3)

## It's All About Our Libraries!

Look for the seasonal *City of Kelowna Activity & Program Guide*. The Library page highlights storytime & adult programs on offer at our three branches. All programs are free, most with no registration required. Kelowna FOL fund these seasonal ads, in a special partnership with ORL.



Summer's SRC theme was

**Up, Up and Away!** Okanagan kids took to the summer skies, voyaged through space & followed authors to other worlds. Aspiring aeronauts launched their careers, young Padawans and superheroes rose to the occasion. Fans of fantasy floated on air. Friends provided funding (over \$7000) towards: **Summer Reading Club** special guests such as Magician Leif David, Kelowna Museums Nightwings (owls) program, circus yoga & cartooning; craft supplies for dozens of programs & lego kits for LegoFun. One excited teen from first-time Teens Summer Reading Club won a kobo e-reader; many other children won book prizes for their reading efforts.



### Kelowna Branch

Downtown in the Cultural District, Ellis Street  
Extra hours (Oct to Mar): Sundays, 11am to 4pm

### Toll-free eBook help

For assistance with eReaders & eBooks, phone the librarians toll-free 1-855-853-2665. They'll help with consumer information on buying eReaders or tablets and accessing ORLs online libraries for kids, audiobooks & digital magazines.

### LunchBox series

Kelowna Museums, Rotary Centre for the Performing Arts, Kelowna Art Gallery & Kelowna Library Branch invite you to spend your lunch hour in the Cultural District!

Each Wednesday, starting October, from 12pm to 1pm relax with a series of free hour-long presentations. *Library Speakers*  
November 6 - Storyteller Sheila Dyer  
December 4 - Poet Sonnet l'Abbe

**Library Jeopardy for Kids** (7-12 years old)  
test your knowledge of books & movies. Sundays  
November 17 & December 1, 1pm to 2pm.

### FREE Movie Nights

Showtime is 7pm in the Meeting Room.  
Films based on books (or literary connections)  
Wed November 20: *Name of the Rose*  
Mon December 16: *My Fair Lady*  
Sun December 15: *Rise of the Guardians*  
\*1pm matinee

FOL fund Public Performance Rights licensing for each year's worth of these film screenings.

Check [www.orl.bc.ca/branches/kelowna](http://www.orl.bc.ca/branches/kelowna)



### Mission Branch

Capital News Centre on Gordon Drive  
Open Tuesday & Thursday evenings to 8pm

### Mission Reads Book Club

Last Wednesday of each month at 1:30pm or, the last Thursday at 6:45pm enjoy a lively discussion by the fireplace (yes that one funded by Friends) with coffee, treats & great conversation.

### Paws for Reading

Kids can read to a registered therapy dog to increase their reading confidence in a stress-free environment. Adults, parents & exam-stressed students can enjoy doggy-stress relief too!

### LegoBuilders Club

Kids come in monthly to create tons of cool themed stuff with our Lego kits.

### Teen/Tween Activities

Free monthly Tuesday evenings: 6:30 - 7:30pm.  
November 19 - Duct Tape Projects  
December 3 - Jewelry Making

Check [www.orl.bc.ca/branches/mission](http://www.orl.bc.ca/branches/mission)



### Rutland Branch

In the heart of Plaza 33 on Highway 33  
Open Tuesday & Wednesday evenings to 8pm

### Reading with the Chiefs

If regular BabyTime, ToddlerTime & StoryTime do not keep the branch staff on their skates (!), librarian Sheila Coe is planning more library-time for the Chiefs hockey team with their young fans. Watch for a huge party with the Chiefs round the Christmas tree this December; materials & refreshments all funded by FOL.

Check [www.orl.bc.ca/branches/rutland](http://www.orl.bc.ca/branches/rutland)

 **What's new @ ORL Headquarters**  
Check [www.ori.bc.ca](http://www.ori.bc.ca)

Welcome to Michele Rule who has been appointed as the new Communications Manager. Michele is a familiar face from her time as a Kelowna City councilor when she was the ORL Library Board representative for & active advocate for our Kelowna area branches.

 **Friends across the Okanagan**

FOL Directors were treated to a fun-filled day of quizzes, prizes and information sharing at the annual gathering of Okanagan Friends groups hosted by Naramata FOL in May 2013. Directors on the Kelowna Friends board in 2014 can look forward to a visit closer to home as the annual gathering will be next hosted by Westbank Friends of Library!

**AGM 2013 - Saturday November 23**

**9am Volunteers** are invited to a **special appreciation hot breakfast with celebratory anniversary treats**

**10am Business Meeting** including:  
~ Report on Friends year of activities

~ Update by the ORL Executive on developments that impact on our 3 branch libraries  
~ Election of Directors & Officers.

A Board with a minimum of 7 directors is to be elected & within that team, new office bearers are required. Members with Financial book-keeping, Secretarial administrative, leadership & organisational skills are most needed!

Without a full complement of Directors, there will be no one to organise sales and sorting activities & fundraising for our Libraries will cease.

The rewards are great in learning more about our library branches, fulfilling the needs of our libraries, by fundraising, promotional activities, and library events ... all whilst enjoying the companionship of fellow friends & library staff.

Want to know more? Please approach the membership table or any of our directors at the Book Sale or, by the time of the AGM.  
(Secretary, Michelle Ward)

**Donations accepted ...  
with exceptions**

Friends dedicated Barlee Road house volunteer crew spend most Fridays (9am to noon) carefully sorting through tens of thousands of books so we can conduct sales throughout the year. The stock they sort comes from ORL's withdrawal program (shared with Vernon FOL for their May annual sale) and publicly donated books.

We accept donated books in **GOOD CONDITION**. Buyers at sales will not buy books in poor condition or that contain out-of-date information. After sales, we do distribute some leftover books to schools, seniors facilities and the Kelowna Foodbank. Again these venues only accept books in decent condition.

When bringing donations to our Sorting house, please DO NOT leave:

- Books in poor condition (damaged, yellowed, written in or marked up)
- Textbooks [recent editions may be accepted by Okanagan Textbook Exchange on Sutherland Ave]
- Encyclopaedias
- Out-of-date books – travel, health, computer, etc. (more than 5 years old)
- Reader's Digest condensed books
- Magazines
- Videos, cassettes, records

If in doubt, please phone (250) 763-7323  
or email: [fol4k@hotmail.com](mailto:fol4k@hotmail.com)



**Have you renewed your Membership  
this year?**

The October Book Sale and November AGM are the best dates to set on your calendar to renew your membership. It's still only \$5.00 per year.

Why not join Friends in achieving our goals - to stimulate the use of Library resources and services by the public - to raise funds and receive and encourage gifts, endowments & bequests for the development of library services and facilities for the community - to focus public attention on our Kelowna, Mission & Rutland branch libraries and their needs.

New F.O.L. members are always welcome. It only costs \$5 per year and is a great way to show support for your Libraries. Please fill in the form below and mail it with your cheque to our mailing address c/o Membership Director Ursula Wedemeyer; or drop it off at any of the three Library branches – Kelowna, Mission or Rutland.

**BE A FRIEND! JOIN OR RENEW:**

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Annual Membership: \$5.00

- New Membership
- Membership Renewal

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I am willing to help with:

- Book sale activities:
  - Cashier
  - Replenisher
  - Set-up/Take-down
- Being a director
- Special Events  
 (representing FOL at Library Functions: hosting at guest speaker events, etc.)
- I prefer to be a silent supporter of the Friends of the Library

\* Detach this portion & either drop it to a Library or mail your application to the above address.

**Got questions??**

Want to receive FOL Newsletters & other timely information about upcoming sales and events faster. Register your email with us. Conserving funds spent on printing & postage, means more funds towards supporting your Libraries!

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**BOOK DONATIONS**

Kelowna Friends of the Library, gratefully accept donations of books, CDs, DVDs, puzzles & games. You can donate all year-round to help with the many fundraising book sales that we hold during the year.

Our book-sorting house is open to accept your donations every Friday 9am to noon (except Friday public holidays & book sale days).

There is also a book drop box in the driveway for small amounts.

Address: **1898 Barlee Road.**  
 For more information, call **250-763-7323**

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