

# **News and Views**

# **Friends of Union County Library**

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## Auction fundraiser set for Oct. 25th

### Volunteers Needed

The Friends Auction Committee needs your help! We are in need of your help on Saturday, October 25th, the night of the auction.

Positions waiting to be filled include table monitors, raffle ticket and candle table attendees, live auction staging, cashier and accounting and personnel for item pickup station.

All positions will require an hour and a half from either 4:45 pm to 6:00 pm or 6:00 pm to 7:30 for the silent auction and table monitors for the live auction. The remaining live auction time slots are 6:45 to 8:00 pm or 8:00 to 9:30 pm.

These positions do not require special skills or knowledge of auctions.

The job descriptions and duties will be spelled out for each position and committee members will be circulating throughout the evening to ensure auction volunteers will have the resources to answer any questions.

If you want to help out, call Co-Chairs Steve or Janice Olson at 706-781-5237 The upcoming Friends of Union County Library's First Fundraising Auction to be held at North Georgia Technical College on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:00 p.m. offers many donated items and a unique "partnering" of contributions. For example:

- A wild-caught Alaskan salmon dinner for eight offered by Victoria's Sweet Shop will be made possible by a donation of silver salmon by Mark Hansen of Sterling, Alaska.
- Stone to cover a 100 square foot area donated by Tennessee Stone will be installed by professional stone mason Brian Surig.
- A load of mulch from Georgia Mountain Grinding and Recycling will be packaged with a dump truck delivery donated by Hemphill



Trucking.

Some items up for auction include guided fishing trips for stripers, walleye, smallmouth bass and largemouth bass, a stainless steel barbeque grille, and karate lessons.

Also, fine art pieces, rides to birthday parties in a fire truck, stay at a local bed and breakfast, lodge and one week cabin rental, material for 12 X 20 deck, rounds of golf, fine dining, jewelry and gift baskets.

These are but a few of the more than 150 interesting and varied items available to the highest

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### Great music a plus for auctiongoers!



Butternut Creek and Friends will perform at the Friends of the Union County Library Auction Fundraiser Saturday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> at North Georgia Technical College in Blairsville

We are honored to have this fine local group and know you will enjoy their music.

### Auction items for everyone

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bidder. This auction will offer something for everyone.

The silent auction, accompanied by music from Butternut Creek and Friends, will begin at 5:00 pm and end at 6:45 pm.

Auctioneer Tim Ryan will call out the first item of the live auction at 7:00 pm.

Victoria's Sweet Shop will make food and beverages available for sale throughout the evening.

Hope to see you there,

Steve and Joanne Olson, Chairs.



Laurel Boisonault of Rountree Furniture with tea and spice cabinet.

One of the many donations received from local businesses is a lovely tea and spice cabinet from Rountree's Furniture. When Rountree's began making furniture, this was the first piece of furniture in the line and it remains a top seller today!

The only thing that has changed is the finish - we change that to keep up with the current trend.

Well, actually, the use has changed, it's probably used more for candle storage or as a cabinet in the bathroom than for tea and spices! The piece sells for \$259 in the store.



Visa, MasterCard and Discover credit and debit cards will be accepted for auction sales

# Raffle features print by Pat Aube Gray

A signed limited edition framed print "Cannesters", by local artist Pat Aube Gray, has been donated to the Friends of Union County Library to benefit the planned library expansion.

The drawing for the fine art print, professionally framed by the Carriage House Art Center, will be held October 25, 2008 at the Friends of Union County Library Benefit Auction.

Tickets are currently on sale at The Bank of Blairsville, United Community Bank,



Appalachian Community Bank and the Union County Public Library.

Proceeds will be used for the purchase of furnishings and fixtures for the new library addition.

Raffle tickets are being sold for \$1 or six for \$5.

### Thanks!

Thanks to our Corporate Sponsors—United Community Bank and the Bank of Blairsville for their generous contributions and support of our library benefit auction.





### Susie Says... from our Librarian, Susie Brendle



Susie Brendle, Librarian

Thank you to all the Friends of Union County Public Library for your continued support. The library has already purchased several things with the funds that you presented to me in at the September meeting.

Those funds were used to renew the subscription for the Atlanta Journal & Constitution and to start a new subscription for USA Today and several other magazines. I will be ordering juveniles books in the next couple of weeks.

Because our materials budget has been cut drastically this year, the library will need FOL support more than ever before. Without FOL support the purchase of these items would be almost impossible.

Over the last couple of months, the Library Building Committee has been visiting libraries around the north Georgia area that were built, renovated or expanded by certain architects that we're considering for Union County Public Library's Expansion/Renovation project.

Our last visit will be October 1, 2008 to Chickamauga Public Library and Catoosa Public Library. Hopefully not long after that, an architect will be chosen.

I want to encourage everyone to volunteer to help with the upcoming Library Benefit Auction on October 25, 2008 at North Georgia Technical College in Blairs-ville starting at 5:00 PM. If you can't volunteer come on out and enjoy a great night of fundraising.

Please remember that the Mile of Pennies fundraiser is still going strong as is the Pat Aube' Gray Limited Edition Signed Print Raffle. Donate your pennies or buy some raffle tickets. The money raised will help with our upcoming library expansion project.

Thank you for all that you do for the library. I'll see you at the next FOL meeting and the auction.

# President's Message



Hi Friends, Fall is in the air and with it comes the excitement of our newest fund First Annual Friends of the Library Auction to be held at North Georgia Technical College on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Joanne and Steve Olson who have worked tirelessly soliciting contributions from local merchants and have had fabulous results. It's been a huge job for them and we are very grateful for all their efforts.

All proceeds of the event will to help furnish our newly renovated and expanded library when it is finished. See you on October 25<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely, Jeanie Bullock

### Mile of pennies campaign making its mark

The next time you are driving down the highway, take note of a mile marker and travel to the next one. Then visualize that distance in a solid line of pennies.

That is the goal of the "Mile of Pennies" campaign.

Please gather up those unwanted coins that seem to collect in drawers, jars and bags and bring them to the Union County Library. We are so very close to our goal of \$844.80.

Many thanks to those who have already donated in excess of 70,000. Your generosity is certainly appre-

The "Mile of Pennies" is part of the LEAF Campaign with proceeds earmarked for furnishings and fixtures for the new Union County Library additional county Library additional

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