

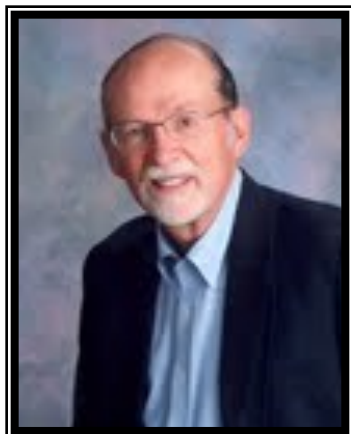
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Hallwas to Discuss Carnegie's Philanthropy

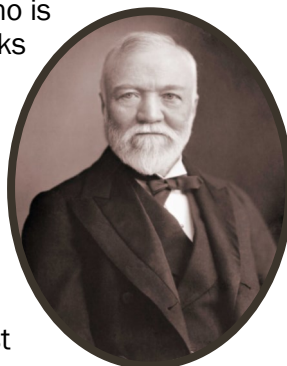


Noted local commentator and author John Hallwas will be the speaker at the FOMPL annual dinner on Thursday, April 18. Hallwas' presentation will be on Andrew Carnegie's public library philanthropy and American values. The Macomb Public Library is a Carnegie Library having been built over a hundred years ago in 1904. His talk coincides with the ongoing "Campaign for the Future" to raise funds for the remodeling and expansion of the library.

A writer, speaker, and adult-education leader, Hallwas is a Distinguished Professor Emeritus at Western Illinois University who is well-known for his many books

about Illinois and the Midwest. He has written scores of journal articles and hundreds of newspaper and magazine essays, as well as several plays. He is the recipient of more than two dozen awards for his teaching, scholarship, books, and educational service.

The Hallwas presentation will follow the Friends annual meeting and dinner and is scheduled for 7 p.m. The public is invited. Don't miss this presentation by the most widely published author in Western Illinois University's history.



Library Philanthropist
Andrew Carnegie

ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM

DATE

APRIL 18, 2013

PLACE

MACOMB COUNTRY CLUB

5:00 P.M.

SOCIAL HOUR BEGINS

5:45 P.M.

BUSINESS MEETING-TREASURER'S
YEARLY REPORT AND ELECTIONS

6:00 P.M.

DINNER

7:00 P.M.

LECTURE BY DR. JOHN HALLWAS

DINNER MENU

• DINNER SALAD

• CHOICE OF DELMONICO STEAK,
CHICKEN THESSALY OR PASTA
PRIMAVERA

• ROASTED REDSKIN POTATOES
• BROCCOLI

• COFFEE, TEA, WATER

• ASSORTED CHEESE CAKE

DINNER \$25

RESERVATIONS FOR DINNER

MUST BE RECEIVED BY
APRIL 8, 2013.

The Campaign for the Future Forges Ahead

The Campaign for the Future continues to collect donations from the public, organizations and businesses in the Macomb area. We have just completed a letter writing campaign and have realized \$16,350 from individuals and \$17,475 from business and organizations. The Campaign is reaching the \$600,000 mark with deadline to reach our goal of \$794,000 June 30, 2013. The Campaign Committee has several projects in the works for April and May: a Children's' Auction, Adult Auction with a dance, benefit music concert, plus a couple other surprises. Watch for information at the library, in

the McDonough County Voice, on the library website and Facebook. The library will continue to solicit donations from individuals, businesses, and organizations to reach our goal and received \$2.4 million dollars in Build Illinois funds for the remodel. If you know of anyone who has not contributed or has not been contacted concerning this community project, they still have time to give. Brochures are available at the library. Every dollar counts. For those not writing checks, PayPal is on the library website. THANKS to everyone who has contributed!

- Dennis Danowski, Library Director



Library intern Joanay Shepherd makes a "pennies" deposit for Lincoln School's second grade. The young library supporters saved a container of pennies and contributed them to the library's Campaign for the Future.

President's Report

Dear Friends,

Twenty years ago the Friends of the Macomb Public Library was created, and at the time, I was a member of the Board of Trustees of the library (what we in the Friends group call the "Big Board"). I remember that the library board had lengthy discussions about the wisdom of having a Friends group at all. We were concerned about what role the organization would have, what potential problems might arise, how the library staff would interact with volunteers. With the benefit of hindsight, we can easily see how misguided our concerns were. Over these past twenty years, the Friends organization has raised thousands of dollars that have been directly invested in enriching and enhancing the Library. Our Friends have organized and administrated book clubs, have provided reading materials to nursing homes and travelers, have financed the Summer Reading program for children, have sponsored literary programming, have beautified the library both inside and outside. While every one of our Friends members may not be actively involved in all of these activities, we are all library advocates who stand up for and support the library and its role as a community resource center. During National Library Week (April 14-20, 2013), let us all applaud those pioneer members of our Friends group who established our organization, the generations of members who have participated in boosting the library, and the current men, women, and families who work so hard to supplement the library budget and to complement its mission.

Happy Reading,
Kate Joswick

Celebrating 20

The Great Reads Book Club Schedule

The Great Reads reading group has the following schedule for the remainder of the current season. The club meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the library.

April 10 Wilkerson, Isabel

The Warmth of Other Suns

Sterling Kernak

May 8 Woolf, Virginia

To the Lighthouse

Christie Davis

Mystery Book Club Schedule

The Mystery Book Club meets in the Macomb Public Library from 7-8 pm on the fourth Wednesday of each month. These are the remaining selections for the 2012-2013 Mystery Book Club:

March 27 Franklin, Tom

Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter

Alice Robertson

April 24 Daly, Elizabeth

Murders in Volume 2

Bill Burton

May 22 Barnard, Robert

Unholy Dying

Doris Burton

Members-Only Sales Relieve the Winter Doldrums



Happy members leave the fiction/mysteries sale.

The two winter, members-only sales, were enjoyed by many dedicated readers and bargain hunters. The December sale with Dickens on the Square featured non-fiction, children's books, and media and brought in \$446.25 slightly more than the previous year and the January fiction and mysteries sale brought in \$300.50, slightly less than the previous year. These smaller, indoor sales are fun for members as they share recommendations and visit as they shop during the cold, winter months.

Members will have another opportunity to add to their home libraries before the general public at the pre-sale for members on the Thursday before our Heritage Days sale. FOL members can buy a dozen books at half price.

MOVING! LIBRARY BOOK "SALE"

APRIL 20--NO PRICES

Due to an overstock of books, the Friends will have a free-will donation, take-as-many-as you want "sale" of extra books and media, Saturday April 20, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. outside the Library Annex, 109 E. Jefferson St. There will be plenty of mysteries, children/youth books, nonfiction, video tapes, etc. In case of rain, the sale will be held Saturday, April 27th, same time and place. All proceeds will go to "Campaign for the Future Macomb Public Library."



HELP!

FRIENDS OF THE MACOMB PUBLIC LIBRARY
ANNUAL DINNER APRIL 18, 2013—RESERVATION FORM

NAME(S) _____

DINNER IS BUFFET-STYLE WITH THESE ENTREES (please indicate choices):

DELMONICO STEAK—*house cut rib eye seasoned & topped with herb butter* # _____

CHICKEN THESSALY—*char-grilled breast topped with sun dried tomatoes & goat cheese* # _____

PASTA PRIMAVERA—*vegetarian option of pasta and fresh vegetables* # _____

TOTAL NUMBER DINNER RESERVATIONS _____ at \$25.00 per person = Total Amount \$ _____

MEMBERSHIP DUES 5/1/13-4/30/14 (complete form below & enter amount here) \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed for Dinner & Membership \$ _____

RSVP BY APRIL 8, 2013 FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS

**Make it easy on yourself!
Write ONE check for the
annual dinner and your
membership dues!**

Please return forms with payment to:
Friends of the Macomb Public Library
c/o Macomb Public Library
235 S. Lafayette
Macomb, IL 61455
Or -
Drop off with payment at the Library

The Macomb Public Library has many important projects in the works, and the Friends want to offer as much support as possible. To save the expense of printing and mailing AND to be kind to the environment, our newsletters are generally sent out via email. Please be sure to include your email address on the Application Form. If you don't have access to email, please check the box requesting a hard copy of the newsletter. Think green and be frugal—get your newsletter by email. Thanks!

Friends of the Macomb Public Library
Membership Form for 5/1/13-4/30/14

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Enclosed is the following amount:

- ☐ Individual \$10.00
- ☐ Family \$15.00
- ☐ Supporting \$25.00
- ☐ Sustaining \$50.00
- ☐ Patron \$100.00

☐ I would like to receive a hard copy newsletter.

☐ I would like to contribute \$ _____

Membership runs May 1 to April 30. Please make checks payable to :
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Would you like to serve on a committee?

- ☐ Finance, Endowment
- ☐ Children's Department
- ☐ Membership
- ☐ Public Relations
- ☐ Newsletter
- ☐ Book Sale
- ☐ Adopt-a-Shelf
- ☐ Other _____

SALUTING FOUNDING MEMBERS

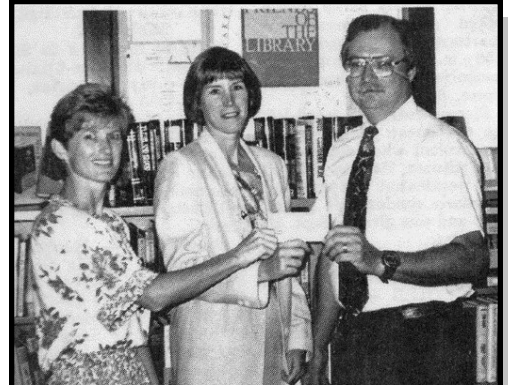
Happy 20th Anniversary Friends of the Macomb Public Library!!!

At the end of December, 1993 a small group of loyal library patrons submitted papers to officially start our local chapter of the national "Friends of the Library" organization. After struggling over creating a constitution and a new organization, the leadership promoted our local chapter and attracted over 60 members in 1994.

The first slate of officers included: President Cindy Cavett; Vice President Bill Burton, Treasurer Arlene Harhen and Secretary Lois Ganyard. Also serving as directors of the first board were Ruth Chenoweth, Kent Harris, Pam McLean, Charlie Morgan and Martha Norcross.

The premier membership role included Jim and Kay Ackil, Babs Becker, Barbara Breece, Bill Burton, Lynn and Cindy Cavett, Janet Chambers, James and Ruth Chenoweth, Nancy and Felix Chu, Numa Crowder, Dennis and Paula Danowski, Roxy Fess, Lois Ganyard, Mary Ellen Graff, Barbara Grindstaff, Arlene Harhen, George Harker, Mardell and Kent Harris, Marge and Zan Harris, Mary Hicken, Martha Hotchkiss, Chuck Kneedy, Audrey Loehr, Peggy Mappin, Sue Mayer, Pam McLean, Doris and Dixon McRaven, Joe McRaven, Lois Mills, Charlie and Ruth Morgan, Jane Morrow, Betty Mortonson, Martha Norcross, Judy Olson, Margaret Ovitt and Ed Card, Sam Parker, Steve Pastoreli, Danielle Rings, Patricia Roark, Julie Rose, Fred-Beth-Cullen Seaton, Kathryn Shanklin, Doris Simpson, Carol and Gene Smith, Calvin and Darlene Spencer, Glenn Sticklen, Mary Stipanowich, Carolyn Sundberg, Dale and Marybeth Syfer, Mary Lou and Malcolm Torgerson, Donna Walzer, John Watson, and Louis and Ruth Wyne.

Thank you, premier board and members! We owe current our organization to your efforts.



Proceeds from an early Friends' book sale are presented to library director Dennis Danowski by then president Cindy Cavett and book sale coordinator Arlene Harhen.

FOMPL ANNUAL MEETING & DINNER • THURSDAY, APRIL 18 • MACOMB COUNTRY CLUB

5 PM SOCIAL HOUR • 5:45 PM BUSINESS MEETING • 6 PM DINNER • 7:00 PM LECTURE BY DR. JOHN HALLWAS

"ANDREW CARNEGIE'S PUBLIC LIBRARY PHILANTHROPY AND AMERICAN VALUES"

Reservation Form for
2013 Annual Meeting
Enclosed!

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