



Friends of Union County Library Set to Hold First 2023 Meeting

We'd like to start off 2023 by reminding you that Union County Public Library (UCPL) is amazing! It is the busiest of the four libraries in the Mountain Regional Library System, handling more than 50% of the total regional circulation. Our library averages 6,500 patrons per month. Just a few of the services provided include children's storytimes, special programs and events, access to computers, books lent in several different formats, and a heritage room for local history buffs and genealogy researchers. It is a valuable resource for Blairsville and for Union County.

A library card is wonderful to have; but membership in Friends of Union County Library (FOUCL) does not automatically come with your library card. If you love the library and use its resources, please consider becoming a Friend by filling out a membership form and paying yearly dues of just \$10 for individuals and \$15 for families.

How does your membership help? FOUCL, through dues and fundraisers, provides quarterly financial support to UCPL. These funds augment the library's budget. Some of the additional purchases made by funds provided by the Friends include books, children's summer reading programs and prizes, and periodicals and newspapers.

FOUCL's first membership meeting of the year will be held Wednesday, January 18, beginning at 1:00 PM in the Community Room at UCPL. Consider joining us for this meeting or plan to attend one in the future. We meet on the third Wednesday of the month in January, April, July, October, and November. Meetings this year will begin at 1:00 PM, a change from our previous 2:00 PM start time. We publish a newsletter that is shared with our members via email and is available to the public on our website (foucl.org). If you have any questions about the what and why of our organization, the website and these newsletters provide answers.

Please join us as we begin a new year advocating for libraries, literacy, and lifelong learning.



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