

Friends of Union County Library (FOUCL) Celebrate National Friends of Libraries Week



FOUCL Members Jayne Sentell and Jane Manuszak Sort Some Donations

This year's National Friends of Libraries Week is October 20-26. It is the perfect time to recognize the contributions that Friends' groups make to libraries and we will celebrate our own local organization by being at the Union County Public Library on Thursday morning, October 24, to hand out mini-cupcakes, pens, and membership cards. You are invited to stop by and see us and, while you are there, drop off items for our 2nd Everything Christmas sale.

FOUCL will continue to accept Christmas item donations until October 31. Gently drop items in the box outside the Friends' Room at the library in Blairsville or bring in items on Thursdays and Saturdays from 10 AM until 1 PM, when Friends will be there to greet and assist you. Suggested donations include, but are not limited to, holiday cards and décor; stockings and linens; cake pans and cookie cutters; wrapping paper and gift bags; Christmas crafts and fabrics; tree ornaments; Christmas dishes, mugs, and glasses; Christmas books, movies, CDs, puzzles, and magazines; wreaths, greenery, centerpieces, candles, and holders; and accessories with Christmas themes: scarves, jewelry, etc. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept full-size artificial trees due to space limitations.

The Everything Christmas sale will take place in the Community Room at the library on Friday, November 1, from 9 AM until 3 PM and on Saturday, November 2, from 10 AM to 1 PM. Items will be offered at affordable prices with all money made from this sale benefiting the library. And isn't that a great thing! As author Pat Conroy wrote, in *My Reading Life*, "A library could show you everything if you knew where to look." Luckily, we have wonderful staff to help us when we don't know where to look. Union County Public Library: Visit it. Use it. Support it.



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