

## Friends of Union County Library



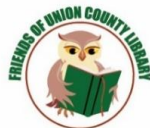
Friends of Union County Library (FOUCL) recently presented their annual donation to Ferst Readers. Pictured here are Treasurer Sally Woodworth and President Jackie Volk from FOUCL handing a presentation check off to Ferst Readers' Treasurer Pam Jordan and President Janice Cochran. Also joining the photo shoot at Union County Public Library was FOUCL's mascot, Owliver, who helps us promote membership in FOUCL, "Give a Hoot – Join Us!"

FOUCL is proud to contribute to Ferst Readers, whose mission is strengthening communities by providing quality books and literacy resources for children and their families to use at home during the earliest stages of development. Children in the Ferst Readers' literacy program receive a bookstore-quality, age-specific book and resources mailed to them at home every month until their fifth birthday.

If you would like to join us in advocating for libraries, literacy, and lifelong learning, FOUCL continues to accept memberships for 2021. Membership forms are available at [foucl.org](http://foucl.org) or at Union County Public Library. Yearly memberships are only \$10 Individual or \$15 Family. Other categories of membership include \$25 Donor, \$50 Patron, and \$100 Sponsor.

FOUCL also accepts donations to be passed on to the library for book purchases. You cannot designate a specific title to be purchased, but your donation will be recognized with a bookplate with your name on it placed in a book and by a mention in our quarterly newsletter, unless you wish to remain anonymous. This type of monetary gift is appropriate for general books being added to the library collection (\$20 suggested), to honor someone, or in recognition of a birthday (\$25-\$30 suggested). Checks made out to FOUCL, with a note stating your intentions, should be mailed to PO Box 1546; Blairsville, GA 30514 or dropped off at Union County Public Library at the circulation desk.

FOUCL and Ferst Readers believe, as author Kate DiCamillo once said, "Reading should not be presented to children as a chore, a duty. It should be offered as a gift."



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