



National Friends of Libraries Week

Friends of Union County Library (FOUCL) acknowledge our members' efforts during National Friends of Libraries Week, October 17-23. This is the 16th year that United for Libraries, a division of the American Library Association, has designated this week for special recognition.

We raise money to aid our library in moving from good to great -- providing resources for additional programming, special equipment, children's summer reading, and the promotion of literacy.

We highlight the fact that our library is the cornerstone of the community, providing opportunities for all to engage in the joy of lifelong learning and connect with the thoughts and ideas of others from ages past to the present.

We understand the critical importance of well-funded libraries and advocate to ensure that our library gets what it needs to provide a wide variety of services to all ages including access to print and electronic materials, along with expert assistance in research and a wide variety of children's services.

Members, and others interested in finding out more about us, are invited to our next membership meeting on Wednesday, October 20, beginning at 2 PM in the Community Room at Union County Public Library. Nominations for 2022 officers will be made at this meeting. Voting for these nominees will occur at our November 17 meeting, at the same time and place. Also on the October agenda will be the possible purchase of children's books for distribution to library families during the month of December. FOUCL members especially enjoy getting books into the hands of children.

Unfortunately, due to the recent increase of COVID-19 cases in Union County, both our Everything Christmas Sale and our member Christmas Luncheon have been cancelled; but even though fundraisers and special events have had to be cancelled - or creatively reimaged - the support of members during this uniquely difficult time is appreciated and FOUCL members can be proud to have been able to continue our regular contributions to Union County Public Library and to First Readers.

If you shop through Amazon, consider contributing to Friends of Union County Library (in Georgia) through AmazonSmile. For more information about what we do and how you can help, please visit our website at foucl.org.



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Literacy, and Lifelong Learning**