

Friends in Pictures



The Friends of the Library at the Richardson Christmas Parade



Family Theater Series Berenstain Bears performance on January 23



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Bonus Book Sale

The annual FOL Book Sale was such a success in August of 2010 that the Friends are hosting a bonus book sale in March! The spring sale will be held Friday, March 4 and Saturday, March 5 in the library basement program room from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. both days. The book sale is a great opportunity to stock up on books you have been meaning to read at a fraction of the price. The inventory includes adult and children's books. In addition to expanding your personal library, this is your chance to contribute to the growth and progress of the library. We look forward to hosting you at the bonus spring book sale!

Join the Friends of the Library at Wildflower Festival!

Wildflower Festival, Richardson's award-winning arts and music festival, is just around the corner. The Friends of the Library are proud to support the city by volunteering in a food and beverage tent. Volunteering at Wildflower with FOL is a great way to enjoy this fun, lively festival and support the organization. Wildflower is scheduled for May 20-22 and volunteer slots are available to all Friends' members. If you are interested in volunteering, please email friendsoftherichardsonlibrary@gmail.com with "Wildflower Volunteer" in the subject line. We will contact you to schedule your volunteer time slot when the event gets closer. Visit www.wildflowerfestival.com to learn more.

Tote Around the Friends of the Library

Did you know that you can purchase a stylish Friends of the Library tote bag? These versatile canvas bags are sold at the Information Booth in the Library for \$12. Keep the bag in your car to transport groceries or to carry your library books. Reusable tote bags are good for the planet and a great way to promote the Friends of the Library. Proceeds benefit FOL so get yours today.



Characters Come to Life

The Friends of the Library Family Theater Series continues at the Eisemann Center.

Upcoming dates and shows include:

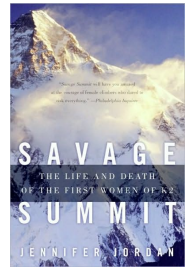
- February 13 – Anne of Green Gables
- March 6 – Room on the Broom
- April 3 – Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Musical

Kids love watching their favorite story book characters come to life. Visit www.eisemanncenter.com for tickets and show times.

“The reading of all good books is like conversation with the finest men of past centuries.”

- Descartes

Reader's Corner: What Your Friends are Reading...



Jean Felsted, Treasurer, Friends of the Library Board

Jean recently read two books by Daniel Kehlmann: **Fame: A Novel in Nine Episodes** (2009) and **Measuring the World** (2005). Kehlmann is a successful German author, popular throughout Europe for his novels and essays.

Jean found **Fame** to be witty, clever and bizarre. The book brings together, and then casts apart, an assortment of highly diverse characters, some of which are famous, and some of which have fame of sorts thrust upon them by their chance/not-so-chance interactions.



Kehlmann's **Measuring the World** (2005) became an instant bestseller in Europe and was translated into more than forty languages. It compares and contrasts, with alternating chapters, the lives and accomplish-

ments of the naturalist Alexander von Humboldt and the mathematician and astronomer Carl Friedrich Gauss.

Additionally, Jean recently read **Savage Summit: The Life and Death of the First Women on K2** (2005) by Jennifer Jordan.

Jean believes this is an essential addition to the libraries of all lovers of mountain climbing books. All the excitement, suspense, laughter and mandated tears over the tragedies are evoked in this well-researched documentary. It is an eye-opener about woman climbers whose achievements frequently have matched those of their male counterparts, but who have often undergone significant derision, putdowns and discouragement from those same males.

Jordan has a second K2 book recently released: **The Last Man on the Mountain: The Death of an American Adventurer on K2** (2010).

Upcoming Events at the Richardson Library

It's Elementary! Storytime

- Tuesday, February 8
 - Tuesday, February 15
 - Tuesday, February 22
- 4:15 – 4:45 p.m.
Children's Program Room

First Wednesday Book Club

Wednesday, February 2
7:30 – 8:45 p.m.
Second Floor Conference Room

Family Storytime

- Monday, February 7
 - Monday, February 14
 - Monday, February 21
 - Monday, February 28
- 6:45 – 7:15 p.m.
Children's Program Room

BOOKbabble Book Discussion Group

- Wednesday, February 9
 - Wednesday, February 16
- 10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

BOOKbabble @ Nite

Tuesday, February 22
7:30 p.m.
Second Floor Conference Room

For additional details, visit www.cor.net/library or call 972.348.4350.