

FRIENDS of the Perry Hall Branch

Fall, 2012

The Friends of Perry Hall Branch have had a very successful year thus far. We launched our speaker's series with Dana Kollmann in April and Zippy Larson in June. Both sessions were well attended, and we received very positive feedback from the community. Rafael Alvarez spoke on September 20 to celebrate the tenth anniversary of our Book Club. Our last speaker of the year, John Eisenberg, will be at the library on November 7, at 7:00.

In March, The Friends sponsored a children's program to celebrate the branch's third birthday. Mark Jaster, a mime, entertained children and their families. In June, we sponsored The Father's Day Essay Contest. We had over 140 entries from area schools as well as from homeschooled children. We had 12 winners who shared their tributes to their dads at a reception on June 2. The children won prizes donated by area businesses to share with their fathers.

Our monthly Coffee and Conversation and Book Club meetings continue to be very successful.

Also, The Friends have ordered a bench for outside of the entrance. The bench was purchased in memory of Robert Gawryck, whose friends and loved ones donated money to The Friends in his name. Mr. Gawryck was a great supporter of our branch. We are hoping that everyone will have a chance to enjoy it when it arrives.

On October 16, we will be having an antique "show and tell" with Pete of Pete's Pickins in Bradshaw, MD. Pete will be available to discuss any treasures about which you might be curious. This is one of our few fund raisers for the year.

We hope that you will continue to support The Friends by attending our events, becoming a member, or volunteering to help with an event. We are here to support our branch and the community, and we want to hear from you. Some of the speakers we have lined up for 2013

are people that library customers have suggested to us, so we welcome your ideas and comments.

Jaymee Farinacci
President of the PH Branch Friends

The Friends of the Perry Hall Branch would like to wish a fond farewell to our manager, Darcy Cahill. Darcy has transferred to the Cockeysville Branch. We thank her for her years of service and her support of The Friends. Darcy opened our new branch in March of 2009. We wish her luck as she begins her new assignment.

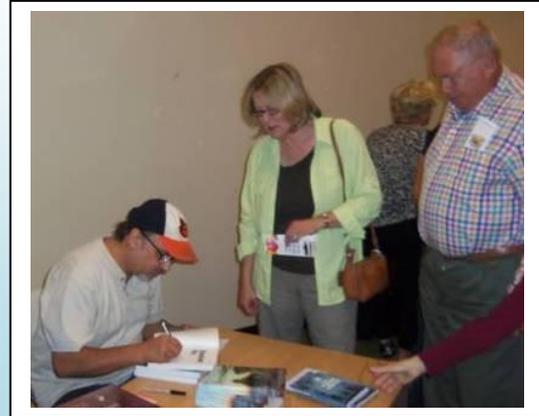
We also would like to welcome Amanda Myers as our new branch manager. We know that she will love this beautiful library, the great staff, and the wonderful people who make up our community

Hello, my name is Amanda Myers and, as of September, I'm the new Perry Hall Branch Manager. I am so excited to get to know and better understand the needs of Perry Hall, a community which so clearly loves and appreciates your library. I'm a librarian of 10 years, 8 of which have been in public libraries. I spent the past 3 and a 1/2 years at the Pikesville Library and prior to this, I worked for 5 years at Queens Library (in New York). I love public libraries, cycling, reading, yoga, fall, exploring new places, and cooking food with friends. If you haven't already, please stop in, introduce yourself, and let me know how my staff and I can work together to better meet the needs of your community.

Upcoming Friends Events for Fall

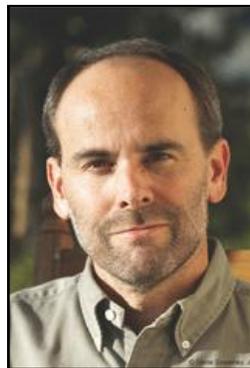
- Book Club (third Thursdays of the month, 7:00 pm, meeting room)
Monthly selections can be found in dateLines.
- Coffee and Conversation (first Fridays of the month at 10:00 am, Young Adult area)
- October 16, Pete of Pete's Pickins in Bradshaw, MD will be in the meeting room at 7:00 pm to discuss any items that you would like her to examine. The cost will be \$3.00 per item, or \$5.00 for two items.
- October 30, Annual Meeting of The Friends, 7:00 in the library meeting room
- November 7, John Eisenberg, a sports columnist for The Sun and author of several books about sports will be speaking about the Ravens at 7:00 in the meeting room. He will have books available for sale for cash or check only. No fee.
- October 29-November 7, The Friends will be sponsoring a raffle on a basket of Raven's items and snacks. The drawing will be held on Nov. 7, at the John Eisenberg appearance. Tickets will be \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. Be sure to look for us that week in the library.

Rafael Alvarez Helped Celebrate the 10th Anniversary of our Book Club on September 20



Pete's Pickins

Have some family treasures you have always wondered about? Bring them on October 16 to share with Pete of Pete's Pickins in Bradshaw. (Please NO guns or other weapons) The cost is \$3.00 per item or 2 for \$5.00.



John Eisenberg

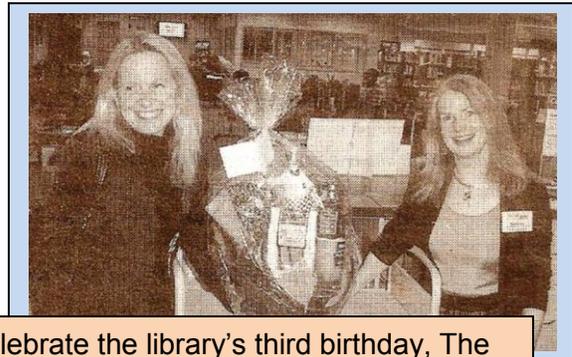
Are you a Baltimore sports fan? Columnist and author, John Eisenberg will speak on November 7. His books will be available for sale. (Cash or checks only)

Look for our Ravens raffle basket the week of October 29. Raffle tickets for a basket of Ravens items will be \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. The drawing will be on Nov. 7, at the John Eisenberg appearance. Thank you to Ann Marie's Hallmark, The Raven's Zone, Jackie Marsalek, and Shirley Parsons for their contributions.

Fun with The Friends at Perry Hall



Mark Jaster, a mime, entertained children and their families to celebrate the branch's third anniversary. There was audience participation and fun for all ages.



To celebrate the library's third birthday, The Friends raffled a basket of tasty items from Trader Joe's. Over 1,000 customers showed their appreciation of our library by purchasing tickets. The lucky winner was Carol Wander, shown here on the left with Darcy Cahill, manager of the Perry Hall Branch.



Almost 100 people attended a talk about Wallis Warfield Simpson and her Baltimore connections given by Zippy Larson in June.

On June 2nd, the twelve winners of our Father's Day Essay Contest read their essays to family and friends at a reception. There were prizes and refreshments for all to enjoy.



The Friends already have these events scheduled for Spring, 2013. Be sure to check our newsletter next year to learn more about these programs!

March 19: Dan Rodricks of *The Sun* and NPR radio will be speaking at 7:00.

April 16: Ken Lang, a former police detective in Baltimore County and mystery writer, will be speaking.

April 27: We will have a reception of the winners of the Mother's Day Essay Contest for children grades 6-12.

May 7: Wayne Schaumberg, a local historian and Perry Hall resident, will be speaking.

June 5: Brian Reynolds, a volunteer from Ft. McHenry, will speak about the War of 1812 in commemoration of the bicentennial of the war and the celebration of Flag Day.

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HOW CAN YOU BECOME A
FRIEND OF PERRY HALL?

Stop in and ask any librarian for a brochure. You may drop the completed form off at the library or mail it in, or sign up to be a Friend at any of our scheduled events. Your support will help us to continue providing programs at our branch.

Thank you to these local businesses for their generous donations to The Friends this year:

Fratello's

Gunpowder Lodge

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Ace Hardware

The Double T Diner

Brian Bunce Barbers

Ann Marie's Hallmark

The Raven's Zone

The Spa on the Avenue

Brick Bodies

The Steak House

Liberatore's

Yoga for Kids

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Be a friend. Join the Friends!