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## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

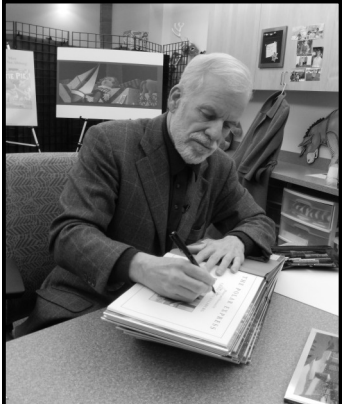
### Fall Newsletter



Glass KDL Lab Makerspace



Little Free Library in the Park



Chris Van Allsburg Visit

# FOOTNOTES

### A Heartfelt Thank You

Your membership in the Friends of the Library is an example of the good that can happen when people come together. Thank you for your commitment to the library! Because of your generous contributions of time and money, there are more and better programs for adults and children, and a wonderful space in which to enjoy them.

**Dawn Lewis, EGR Library, Branch Manager**



*The Friends' November and May used book sales, the ongoing book sale in the library and our members help the library provide unique services and opportunities for library users.*

ALL PROGRAMS AND SPACES ON THIS PAGE WERE FRIENDS FUNDED.

### UPCOMING FRIENDS SPONSORED EVENT

## GUSTA FER YELLOWGOLD™

"A funny and touching multimedia concert of live songs, stories and animation performed by award-winning illustrator/songwriter Morgan Taylor. Great for ALL AGES."

**Sunday, October 18 @ 2:00 pm**

Lower Level, EGR Community Center, 746 Lakeside SE

2015



Children's Park Parties



KDL Book Club in a Bag Titles



Hexie Quilt Community Project



Fish and Turtle Aquariums

**FRIENDS COME TOGETHER FOR THE GOOD OF THE LIBRARY & COMMUNITY.**

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## 2015 - 2016 Friends' Board

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Please visit the  
Kent District Library  
webpage to see a  
complete listing of  
Library events,  
programs and  
activities for all ages!



## That's What Friends Are For by Shellie Adamy, President

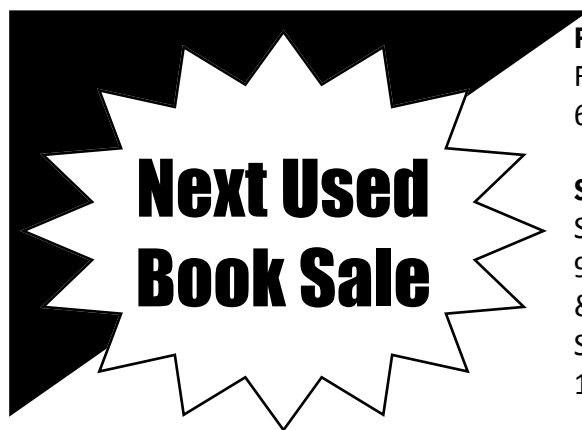
The passage of the August 2014 KDL millage was a terrific outcome for all Kent District Library branches. Library staff positions were preserved. Library hours were expanded. Crucial programs such as early literacy, summer reading, free technology, and job skills training were also safeguarded. These programs are necessities and are invaluable in the support they lend to the KDL community. However, tax dollars can only do so much.

Our goal as the Friends of the Library of East Grand Rapids is to raise funds enabling our local branch to *build* upon these basic services allowing our branch to provide a rich experience to all of its users. We see our library as more than a space to borrow books. *We see our library as a space of community: one in which to come together, to imagine, to create, and to explore.*

Your generous contributions enable us to bring that vision to fruition. We thank you for your continued support of our wonderful library by the lake.

## The Friends Helped the Library in 2014 - 2015 by:

- Contributing support to community events: Taste of East, Gaslight Tree Lighting Celebration and Movies in the Park.
- Contributing additional funding for Summer Reading Programs, teen programs, Family Sundays, and adult programs.
- Funding the construction of the glass-enclosed Maker Space. This also includes furniture, storage, and start up supplies for the Maker Space
- Funding the reupholstering of seven chairs in the lower level of the library.
- Funding a 360 degree online tour of the library through Google.
- Funding the Little Free Library in John Collins Park.
- Funding the maintenance and care of the library's fish and turtle aquariums.
- Contributing to KDL Literary Libations: A Fundraising Gala, September 2015.



### Presale for Friends Members

Friday, November 20, 2015  
6:30 - 8:30 pm

### Sale for the Public

Saturday, November 21, 2015  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
&  
Sunday, November 22, 2015  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm

**\$7.00 BAG SALE ON SUNDAY!**

**LOCATION: EGR Community Center, Lower Level, 746 Lakeside Drive SE**

Not a member? Membership forms are available at the Library or at the book sales.