



Check Presentation

As pictured here, Jackie Volk, President of Friends of Union County Library (FOUCL) recently presented a check to Susie Brendle, Branch Librarian at Union County Public Library (UCPL). This donation is one of several FOUCL makes each year to supplement the library's budget.

FOUCL is a non-profit, charitable group formed primarily to support and advocate for the library in our community. In addition, FOUCL members advocate for literacy and lifelong learning. Ways we have done this in the past include purchasing picture books several times a year to be given to library families, providing prizes for children's summer reading programs and helping pay for special entertainment, and contributing annually to Ferst Readers. We are proud to be able to help Ferst Readers provide enrolled children with a new book every month from birth until the age of five with no cost to registered children.

Our fundraisers have been limited since March of 2020, but we have continued to support our library, our library's hardworking staff, and Ferst Readers with money raised through donations and membership fees. Now we ask for your help in replenishing our funds. During the month of November, we are soliciting funds for a Bakeless Bake Sale. We ask that you follow the advice given in "The Bakeless Bake Sale Fundraising Poem": Many times we've heard people say, I would rather give a dollar than bake today. So we have a plan that we hope will bring success. Join our bakeless bake sale and keep your kitchen spotless. Just send in the money it would take to bake a dozen brownies or a homemade cake, or send in the money it takes to buy a box of cookies or a sweet apple pie."

Please consider giving what you might have spent on baking for or shopping at our annual November Bake Sale. Funds raised from this year's sale are designated for the purchase of children's books for Union County Public Library. Drop your check or cash off at the library; mail to FOUCL; PO Box 1546; Blairsville, GA 30514; or contribute through PayPal at the link on our foucl.org website. Let us know that you intend these donations for the BBS (Bakeless Bake Sale). Checks can be made out to FOUCL.

We are hoping and planning for a "real" bake sale in May of 2022. In the meantime, we thank you for responding to our request for donations through a Bakeless Bake Sale.

If you would like to join us, pick up a membership form at the library from our bookcase to the left as you enter, or go to our website (foucl.org) and download a form. Memberships are a bargain at just \$10 per year for an individual and \$15 for a family. As an added incentive, any new memberships received in November and December are good through 2022.



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