A Letter to a Friend

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Elmer Stone Scholarship Fund

It is with pride and enthusiasm that the Friends of the Waukegan Public Library announce that they will be awarding a scholarship in the memory of Elmer Stone this school year.

Elmer was a longtime teacher at Warren High School and a Friend and supporter of the Waukegan Public Library. Elmer spent his career encouraging young people to achieve as much as possible, not only in school, but also in life, and this scholarship will continue his work.

The scholarship will be awarded to a northeastern Lake County high school student who volunteered in his or her community during the high school years, as well as having been an outstanding

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Get To Know Your Friends

Book store hours are: Tuesday 10 am – 1 pm Thursday 3 – 6 pm Friday 10 am – 1 pm Saturday 10 am – 2 pm

Joan Wilts grew up in Glencoe and attended New Trier High School and Lake Forest College. She met Dick Wilts there and they were married right after graduation. She planned to be a psychiatric social worker, but changed her mind while working at Radcliffe College library while Dick was in graduate school at Harvard. When they moved back to Illinois she worked at the Lake Forest College Library while attending Rosary College (now Dominican University). From there she received her MLS degree. She then began teaching until she was hired by North Suburban Library System for Project Plus, a federal /state funded program to establish library service in parts of the country where there was none. It was exciting to participate in this and became the first Director of the Warren -

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Adult Program Events

New Book Discussion Groups starting in 2007

Catch Monday Movies twice a month!

The Waukegan Public Library is resurrecting its **Adult Book Discussion Groups**. The groups will start in 2007 and are scheduled to meet monthly on the last Tuesday and Thursday of the month, except in August and December. The Tuesday afternoon group will meet from 1:30 - 3:00 pm and the Thursday evening group from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. The leader, librarian Trish McLaughlin, has compiled a list of old and new "classics" including *In Cold Blood* by Truman Capote, *Year of Wonders* by Geraldine Brooks, and *Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay* by Michael Chabon. Call the Adult Reference Desk at (847) 623-2048, ext 238 for further information.

Don't forget to check out the **Monday Movies**, free movies and discussion at 2:00 pm in the Ray Bradbury Room. Upcoming features are *October Sky*, October 23rd, *United 93*, November 6th, *Snow Falling on Cedars*, November 20th, *The Lake House*, December 4th, and *Eight Below* on Dec 18th.

The Friends is sponsoring a trip to two of Chicago's museums, the Mexican Fine Arts Museum and Chicago History Museum. This all-day bus tour leaves on Thursday, October 26th and the \$40.00 cost includes transportation and a box lunch. Join your friends for a stimulating day. Call (847) 623-2041, ext 257 for information.



Friends at Waukegan HarborFest

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student. The amount of the scholarship will be \$500.00.

The success and continuation of this scholarship will be dependent upon and funded by donations from the many persons who knew Elmer as a friend, teacher, co-worker, volunteer in many community organizations and supporter of many high school activities.

If you wish to make a donation, please make the check payable to the Friends of the Waukegan Public Library, Elmer Stone Scholarship Fund, and send it to the Friends of the Library, 128 N. County St., Waukegan, IL, 60085, to the Attention of Mary Maxwell.

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Super Book Sale - November 2nd -5th

Friends of the Waukegan Public Library hosts a special Fall used book sale from November 2nd to November 5th. A recent sizable acquisition means we have an overflow of hardcover books, paperbacks, videos, DVD's, and cassettes priced between 10¢ cents and \$3.00. In addition, most children's books can be found for as little as 25¢. Enthusiastic volunteers will help you find that special book or offer you a free cup of coffee. Children are invited to enjoy the special children's area.

The general public can shop Saturday, November 4^{th} 9 am - 3 pm; and Sunday, November 5^{th} 1 - 3 pm. Members of the Friends have a special preview Thursday, November 2^{nd} 5 - 8 pm. Memberships are available at the Bookstore.

The sale will be held in the lower level Bookstore at 128 N. County St., Waukegan, IL. Call (847) 623-2041 ext 257 for further information. Free parking available - call for details.



Big Book Sale begins November 2nd.

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Newport Library. After several years she left to work part-time at Waukegan and later became Assistant Director for Public Services. She retired some years ago, but is now working part-time at the reference desk.

Joan was a founding member of Literacy Volunteers of Lake County (more than twenty years ago) and is still active in the group. She spends time with her grandchildren (another expected in December!) plays bridge occasionally, and participates in several organizations. She seems to be busy all the time.

Jean Strus grew up in Maine and Tom Strus in Minnesota. They met in 1954 in Mannheim, Germany where they were both teaching in the U.S. Army Dependents School. They were married in Germany in 1955 and returned to the States in 1956. They came to Waukegan in 1957 when Tom took a job with the Waukegan Public Schools. Jean stayed home to raise their family of three girls and one boy. After they were all well along in school Jean worked in the libraries of the Waukegan schools. Their children have all left the nest. They have six grandsons and one granddaughter, all of whom are still in the nestLuckily not theirs.

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Additional Bookstore Hours

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 23rdth - Monday Movie *October Sky*, 2 *pm* 26th - Friends Chicago Museum Trip

November 2nd - Members Fall Book Sale, 5-8 pm

4th - Fall Book Sale, 9 am - 3 pm 5th - Fall Book Sale, 1 - 3 pm 6th - Monday Movie *United 93*, 2 pm

20^{th.} Monday Movie Snow Falling on Cedars, 2 pm

December 4th - Monday Movie *The Lake House*, 2 *pm* 18th - Monday Movie *Eight Below*, 2 *pm*

The bookstore is expanding its hours. It has added Tuesdays and Fridays from 10:00 am 1:00 pm on both days. This increase in hours is due to the addition of two young students from St. Martin de Porres High School. On Tuesday, you will see Yordan Hernandez, a freshman who enjoys helping visitors find that special book. The Friday slot will be filled by Melita Castro a senior who worked in the library last year.

Please stop by to say welcome and to buy a book.

St. Martin de Porres High School is a Catholic, coeducational college preparatory school located in Waukegan. Academic excellence is made affordable through each student's participation in the Corporate Internship Program.

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