

Summer 2021



Friends of the White County Public Libraries



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Our Friends group is happy that both libraries are now back to normal operations. We hope to have our book donation boxes, or "Little Free Libraries" back soon, also. You may drop off book donations of children's titles to either library.

We need a new branch library in Cleveland! Our current branch in Cleveland was built in 1980, when our population was a fraction of what it is now. A dedicated committee is now planning for a new facility and our Friends group is assisting in this much-needed initiative.



Friends are raising funds by selling the local **cookbooks** we published. Purchase yours at either branch library, Mt. Yonah Books, Adams Mercantile, Sautee Community Center, Helen Arts Center, Sheilah's Village Market, Lavender Collage, and other local businesses.

EDIBLE BOOK FESTIVAL AND ANNUAL MEETING

On **Saturday, October 16** we will sponsor our second "EDIBLE BOOK FESTIVAL," a hilarious, creative opportunity to highlight both food and books. Please consider a book that YOU could represent with food.

CHOCOLATE RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

Hansel and Gretel Candy Kitchen in Helen will once again donate one pound of chocolate each month for a year to the lucky winner of our fundraising raffle!

Tickets cost \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10. Buy tickets: Cleveland library on Saturdays from 9 AM – noon. You may also email friendsowcl@gmail.com or call 770-307-8615! – The drawing will be during our Edible Book Festival on Oct. 16, but you do not have to be present to win.



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Please renew or begin your annual membership for Friends in September, our renewal month each year! The cost of membership is \$25 for an individual or family. As a 501(c)3, we face competition from many other charitable groups. Our funds help pay for both children's and adults' programs at both library locations as well as purchase items not covered in the library's budget. We are all volunteers - no overhead! We hope you will decide to support our public libraries. Please use the membership form available at the libraries or download from our website: <https://whitecountypubliclibraries.org/friends-of-the-white-county-libraries/>

Please mail your check for "**Friends of White Co. Public Libraries**" to **P.O. Box 2003, Cleveland, 30528**, or bring it to either branch library, where they will forward your payment to our treasurer.

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