



FRIENDS OF THE HALIBURTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

FACTS FROM FRIENDS - January 2011

- Happy New Year. This past year has been a busy and successful one for both the Haliburton County Public Library and for Friends. This coming year, as in the past, Friends is committed to supporting our libraries to ensure that they are the best they can be for the people of Haliburton County. We look forward to your participation and support in this undertaking.
- Remember to renew your membership for 2011 if you have not already done so. Membership is only \$5.00. Please print the attached membership form and mail it to Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library, Box 119, Haliburton, ON K0M 1R0. Membership in Friends brings many benefits, including receiving our monthly newsletter, advance notice of Friends activities and an opportunity to participate in a Friends Members event. We are working on an exciting free members event to be held this spring that you won't want to miss!
- Frances Itani, author of the novels, *Deafening* and *Remembering the Bones*, will be our guest author at our Gala this fall. Ms Itani has a new novel, *Requiem*, coming out in Sept. and we will be part of the promotion tour for her book! We are very excited that this award winning international author will be our speaker. Mark the date of the Gala, Sunday, Oct.30, on your calendars. Plan to attend and enjoy our 6th annual book Gala.
- Our next book sale will be held on June 18,2011 at the Dysart Library as part of the Rails End Galley's Trash and Treasure Sale. While you are waiting for this sale, check out the books that Friends has for sale in both Minden Hills and Dysart Libraries. There are lots of good titles to take on your trip south or for enjoying in front of a cozy fire.
- We welcome Brenda Robinson to the executive of Friends as our new County Library Board Representative. Brenda is a member of Friends and has helped with our activities in the past. We look forward to working with her as liaison from the County Board. Many thanks to Rozanne Hynard, who was our representative from the previous County Library Board, for her strong support of

Friends and for her dedication and hard work in helping to make our library system so successful.

- Look for the new booklet in your local library called *Those Other Movies*. It lists the movies available to borrow from the library that were previously shown at the Northern Lights Pavilion as part of the Those Other Movies program. This new booklet is a companion to *Staff Picks 2010*, a list of favourite reads for the year selected by library staff. Good suggestions all.
- The Canada Reads debates hosted by Jian Ghomeshi on CBC Radio One will take place on Feb. 7, 8, and 9th at 11:00am and 8:00pm. This year's titles, available from your library, include *The Best Laid Plans*, by Terry Fallis; *The Birth House* by Ann McKay; *The Bone Cage* by Angie Abdou; *Essex County* by Jeff Lemire; and *Unless* by Carol Shields.