March 2018

Dear Friend,

The news headlines were clear and devastating. For nearly two months the downtown Pollard Memorial Library was closed to repair the serious and extensive damage caused by burst water pipes. This month, it’s opened its doors again.

As it recovers, many individuals and organizations have found ways to thoughtfully support the Pollard Memorial Library. People appreciate the library, because they know how well it informs, educates, and entertains so many of us who rely on its free and accessible services.

As a distinct nonprofit organization, we, The Friends of the Library, share this commitment. The Friends raise funds that pay for the library’s museum discount passes, its movie license, and special events. Becoming a Friend provides you access to this endeavor. In addition, the enclosed card offers two concrete suggestions of how you and your family and friends can all help in non-monetary ways throughout the year.

For those of you able to give more substantial financial support, we encourage you to donate to the Pollard Memorial Library Foundation, our “sister” nonprofit, whose mission is to raise and sustain capital funding for the library’s larger initiatives, such as literacy software and patron workstations, expenses that aren’t covered by the city’s allocated budget.

In more ways than one, this has been a long winter: unrelenting bitter cold, the treacherous flu, the Patriots’ loss in the Super Bowl! But warmer and brighter days are coming, especially now that our Pollard is open again.

Best wishes,
Stacie Caldwell and Amy Woo
President and Vice President of the Friends

YOUR LIBRARY NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!

To become a Friend or renew your membership, complete the form and mail it in the enclosed envelope, or contribute online to the Friends at www.pollardml.org/get-involved/friends

Also consider contributing online to the Foundation at www.pollardml.org/get-involved/foundation
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The Friends of the Pollard Memorial Library is a publicly funded 501(C)(3) organization. It actively supports the mission of the library by encouraging community involvement in its fundraising events and library-related programs and activities.

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Contact us at info@friendsofpml.org
Volunteer with us volunteer@friendsofpml.org
Visit us at www.pollardml.org/get-involved/friends

Working Together to Support the Library
The Friends are a mix of young and old, residents and non-residents, who volunteer their time, energy, and financial support to enhance programs and services at the Pollard.

Here are some popular ways that we help the library.

- Book Sale help
  - Sort books
  - Set up for sale
  - Be a cashier
  - Donate items
  - Help sell books online
  - Collect, sort, & price donations
  - Escort a young shopper at the event
  - Wrap presents for the children

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- Sort books
- Set up for sale
- Be a cashier
- Help sell books online
- Help advertise