

Dear Friends

You are invited to two special events in December as we bring this year to a close – so mark your calendars!

7th Annual Cookie Walk

Recreation Bldg.
Memorial Park - 25355 Lawrence
North of 10 Mile Road

Saturday, December 5, 2015
6 p.m. till all cookies are gone!

\$6 Lb. / \$3.50 ½ Lb. ALL HOMEMADE

Join us at the
Christmas Tree Lighting
We are inside the REC Bldg

Calling All Bakers

Our Cookie Walk volunteer, **Bernadette Helkowski**, will be calling members for cookie donations after Thanksgiving. We are asking for 4 to 6 dozen cookies.
NO CUPCAKES, NO CAKES.

If your cookies contain nuts, please indicate this. Drop them off at the library on Friday, Dec. 4, by 5 pm. Please include your name and the name of your cookies, so we can identify them when people ask.

Our goal is to match the sales of 2013 and 2014 - \$1000.00 each year! This is a tremendous opportunity to add to the library's budget once a year. As a support group, we have been responsible for over \$50,000 to the library in the last 22 years. YOU have been a part of that!

For those who do not bake anymore, monetary donations are accepted. Library staff will place your donation in the provided envelopes and make sure your name is included. Contributions can also be mailed to the library. Check should be made out to the Friends.

Annual Christmas Party

Wed., December 9, 2015 at 6 pm
Bring an appetizer
Friends will provide the punch

We have a wonderful raffle this year.
Tickets are \$1 or 6/\$5
Items on display at the library

Lap Afghan – by Bernie Helkowski
Bird Wall Hanging – by Kathi Buckner
Crystal Vase – Anonymous
Scarf set – by Pat Stanczyk
Christmas Tea Towels – Marj Murray
2 Dining with Friends II Cook Books
Christmas Wreath – by Karen Sizemore (paid by Friends for the raffle)

We will have a short business meeting after our refreshments, regarding elections of officers. If you wish to volunteer, now is the time to let us know.

RAFFLE TICKETS – LAST CHANCE
WINNERS ANNOUNCED

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

FREE BOOK FROM BOOK STORE

**Merry Christmas from the Board
Marj, Barb, Pat, Nancy, & Bernie**

Goodbye To Good Friends

Joann Penrod, Center Line Library employee for many years, passed away



suddenly on Mar 5, 2015. She had earned VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR in 2014, and had been awarded the certificate at the Friends Christmas Party in December. Here she is pictured during her bread-making class at the REC. She had a smile for everyone who came into the Library. She will be missed.

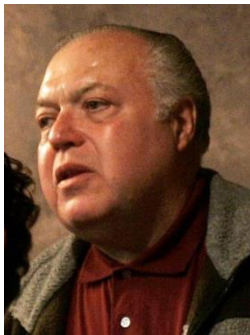
Anne Cross, beloved former long-time director of the Center Line Library, died



May 2, 2015, after a short illness. She was the reason there is a Friends group here today in Center Line. We had always considered her the 'heart' of the library. She was one

of a kind and will be remembered by all who crossed her path here in the library.

David Hanselman, our Mayor of Center



Line since 2009, died at his home on August 22, 2015, surrounded by his family, after a battle with cancer. He was a special Friend of the Library, and led us in festive song every Christmas at our

annual Potluck Dinners, while his wife Kathy played the keyboard. He was very active in the city, serving on several commissions and organizations in town for many years. He was a great supporter of the library, its programs, and its people - AND the Beautification Commission, the Fire Truck Fund and the Lions. He made us each feel like we were his favorites. His shoes will be hard to fill.



Margaret Bommarito, 83, of Center Line, passed away on October 16, 2015 at St. John Macomb Hospital in Warren. She was a Friend of the Library for about 5 years, during

which time she never missed a Christmas event.



Gail Goulah, life-long resident of Center Line, and a Friend of the Library for many years, passed away on October 24, 2015. She was buried in the St. Clement Cemetery.

In addition, former member of the Friends, **Robert Netschke**, died on August 12, 2015.



Donations continue to be accepted for a book in the name of one of these 'lost friends' for those who would care to remember them in this way.