Dear Friends,

Your board members of the Friends of the Orion Township Library are reaching out to wish you well and provide you with a few updates during this challenging time.

**Friends Annual Meeting Postponed**
Each year, the April Friends board meeting is designated as our annual meeting where we prepare to close out our fiscal year and begin the new year the first of May. Because we like to make this annual meeting available to our membership, the Friends board has elected to postpone the annual meeting to a later date once the library has re-opened. We will keep you posted on the new date once we know more.

**Membership Renewal Fees Waived**
This time of year is also when we send out our membership renewals for the Friends of the Orion Township Library. To ease the burden that so many are facing right now, the Friends board has decided to offer free memberships for its May 1, 2020-April 30, 2021 membership period. While our membership fees aren't costly, we know every penny counts and makes a difference in the pockets of so many of us. This offer is available to current and new members.

Current memberships will automatically be renewed for the upcoming year.

Those who are interested in joining the Friends of the Orion Township Library can go to [https://orionlibrary.org/friends/membership/join/](https://orionlibrary.org/friends/membership/join/).

Questions? E-mail the Friends at friends@orionlibrary.org or check us out online at orionlibrary.org/friends.

**May Book Sale Cancelled**
The Friends board has decided to cancel our May book sale at the library. Because there are a number of unknowns at this point, including a re-open date for the library, we determined that it was in the best interest of our volunteers and patrons to hold off on our May sale. Once the library re-opens, we’ll work with the library staff, our book sorters and other volunteers to determine if there’s an opportunity to re-schedule the spring sale or if we want to focus our efforts on the fall sale which is slated for Tuesday, September 15-Saturday, September 19, 2020.

**Donating Used Books & Materials**
If you, like many of us, have been doing your spring cleaning and organizing, remember we accept donations of gently used books.

For information on donating used books and other materials, please see [https://orionlibrary.org/donations/](https://orionlibrary.org/donations/).

**Take good care of yourself!**
Once again, we want to thank you for your partnership in the Friends of the Orion Township Library and our aim to support our library and the community we all love.

We are sending our well wishes to you and your family.
Your Friends of the Orion Township Library Board

- Jan Thomas, president
- Don Walker, vice president
- Carla Tousley, treasurer
- Shae Smith, secretary
- Bob Bambach, deputy treasurer
- Dale Bell, book sale chair
- Mary Duenow, fundraising chair
- Michelle Jerome, membership chair

About the Friends
The Friends are a 501 (c) 3 non profit organization that was started in 1985 “to promote public support of the Orion Township Public Library and the library in the community, to promote reading, literacy and lifelong learning, and to maintain an association of persons interested in the library.” Friends act in cooperation with the library board and staff, serving as a liaison between the community and library. All money raised by the Friends, except for minimal administrative costs such as postage and printing, is donated directly to the library in the way of program funding, material purchases and monetary contributions.