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Textbook Affordability Endowment Nearing 25K Goal

The Textbook Affordability Endowment is rapidly reaching its goal, with the most recent donations bringing it up to $19,547. The Endowment, in development since two years ago by the Friends of the Library, needs $25,000 in order to begin paying out roughly $1,000 a year for high-cost, high-usage text and course books. With pledges from donors, ongoing fundraising efforts, and continued donations from Friends like you, it is possible that the Endowment may finish before the end of 2019.

Library Director and Friends Treasurer Tiffany Lipstreu was recently quoted in an issue of Towers as saying, "Textbook prices increase by three times the rate of inflation each year. Our students pay, on average, $385 for their text/course books per semester, or approximately $800 a year."

The entire University is working together in order to alleviate the financial pains from text and course book costs. The Otterbein Student Government applied for and was granted $4,000 to donate to the library for text and course book purchases; the library has since spent those monies on 68 books. Additionally, the Marketing and Communications department has created informational flyers and bookmarks about the Endowment for distribution.

Visit the Friends website page on textbook affordability (http://otterbein.libguides.com/friends/textbookaffordability) in order to learn more about how you can donate to this very important cause.
Maria Toorpakai, the author of this year's Common Book, will be speaking at a special Friends' event on October 22nd at 7:30pm. Ms. Toorpakai, whose memoir follows her journey to becoming the number one female squash player in Pakistan, pretended to be a boy for a number of years in order to evade the Taliban and play the sport that she loved. Eventually she fled to Canada, sponsored by Jonathan Power, the first North American to be named the number one squash player in the world. Ms. Toorpakai will talk about her journey, and more, during this special Friends event.

After the talk, there will be a reveal of the author's Common Book portrait. There will also be a book signing and reception with light snacks and beverages. We hope you will be able to join us for this excellent program; it promises to be a fascinating evening!

Friends' Common Book Program

What: Book signing and talk by Maria Toorpakai, author of A Different Kind of Daughter

When: Tuesday, October 22nd, at 7:30pm

Where: Library Second Floor

Join us after for a book signing and refreshments!
Pop Up Shop at Homecoming and 4th Friday

The Friends held their annual Pop Up Shop this year during Homecoming. The Pop Up Shop is a fundraising effort, currently focused on the Textbook Affordability Endowment, that sells Otterbein-branded items that are created and/or designed by Otterbein students. This year, the Pop Up Shop featured Cardy Charms, charms of Cardy's head that were made at The Point, and a postcard set of archival images from Otterbein, designed by Reference Tutor Claire Lamb, class of '21.

The Pop Up Shop was also featured at the Westerville 4th Friday festival. Otterbein University has a table at the monthly festival, and on September 27th, the Friends ran the table. It was a wonderful opportunity to promote the Textbook Affordability Endowment, as well as the Friends and their work in general.

All profits were put towards the Textbook Affordability Endowment.

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In Memoriam: Mary Cay Wells

Mary Cay Wells passed away on July 24th. She was a gradute of Otterbein and married fellow student John Wells, who passed away earlier this year. Dr. Wells taught at Otterbein from 1980 to 1992. For many years, Mary Cay served as secretary to the Friends of the Library. Mary Pat Knight, current Vice President of the Friends, remembers her fondly, saying "She would prepare delicious food for us to eat when we had long skit rehearsals for the mini productions we did at the Library to earn money for the Friends' coffers. She was a lovely, bright and caring woman. She and John were a wonderful couple. She will be missed."
Join the Friends of the Library

Friends with library borrowing privileges enjoy many benefits. Listed below are a complete list of benefits afforded to members.

BORROWING PRIVILEGES AT THE COURTRIGHT MEMORIAL LIBRARY (CML) - You may receive a CML card, providing you the ability to check out library materials

ACCESS TO MATERIALS BORROWED THROUGH OUR CONSORTIUMS, OPAL AND OHIOLINK - This gives you the ability to request materials from academic libraries throughout the state of Ohio.

ACCESS TO INTERLIBRARY LOAN SERVICE - You will be able to request materials that are not held by the Courtright Memorial Library or any of our consortium member libraries.

SUBSCRIPTION TO THE BI-ANNUAL NEWSLETTER, FRIENDLY CORRESPONDENCE - The newsletter will keep you up-to-date on events and news pertaining to the Friends and the CML.

SPECIAL INVITATIONS TO FRIENDS-SPONSORED EVENTS - Be the first to know about author talks, musical events, and other special occasions sponsored by the Friends.

VOTING RIGHTS AT THE ANNUAL FRIENDS BUSINESS MEETING AND THE ABILITY TO SERVE ON THE FRIENDS BOARD OF TRUSTEES - You will have a say in what the Friends of the Library do to help promote and support Otterbein’s Courtright Memorial Library, students, and the Otterbein community.

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