**The Friends of the**

**Racine Public Library\***

A group of local citizens, led by a volunteer board, constituted to

* ***Promote and support*** Racine Public Library resources and community programs
* ***Raise funds*** for the library through
	+ Lobby book sales
	+ Semi-annual book sales
	+ Special events
	+ Donations
	+ Membership dues
* ***Promote awareness*** of vital library services.
* ***Advocate*** for adequate library funding at the local, state and national levels.

**Benefits of Membership**

* ***Pride*** in knowing that you are preserving and improving your library
* ***Members-only access*** to the semi-annual Book Sales--first choice of materials
* ***Discounted price*** for Breakfast with the Authors and other special events
* ***Coupon*** for two **FREE** Lobby Sale books
* ***Opportunities*** to lend your talents in support of your library and community

 **Grants from the Friends**

* ***Support*** the **Summer Reading Program** to keep children and teens reading and using the library during their summer break
* ***Purchase***
	+ **Storytime** materials
	+ **Battle of the Books** prizes
	+ **Books for Babies**
	+ **Big Read** materials
	+ **Innovation Lab** materials for those of all ages
* ***Provide*** funds for the purchase of **Preservation of Racine** history films
* ***Support*** programming, including
	+ **Bonk!**
	+ **Ruff Readers**
	+ **Book signings**
	+ **Breakfast with the Author**
	+ **Educational programs for adults**
* ***Provide*** funding for
	+ **Dearreader.com** email book club service
	+ **Wi-Fi Hotspots** to check out
	+ **Book Page** subscription

To learn more or to volunteer, contact the Library Director, Angela Zimmermann at 262-636-9252 or send an email to friends@rplfriends.org.

 **Annual Membership Application**

Please complete this form and return to the address below.

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Make checks payable to the **Friends of the Racine Public Library, Inc.**, and return to

**Racine Public Library, 75 Seventh Street, Racine, WI 53403**

Individual $10\_\_\_\_\_\_

Family $15\_\_\_\_\_\_ Supporting ($25 or more) $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor ($100 or more) $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Email \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Email will only be used by the Friends and will not be shared with other organizations or people.**

Optional: You may call me to

* Serve on the board
* Help with book sales
* Prepare mailings
* Provide baked treats for events
* Help in Youth Department
* Distributing information at events



 **Main Library Hours**

 Monday - Thursday       9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
 Friday & Saturday           10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**Online Communication Center**Monday - Thursday       9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
 Friday & Saturday           10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**For Mobile Library Information**
call 262-636-9217
or visit http://www.racinelibrary.info/MobileLibrary.htm

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 **Racine Public Library**

 **A Community Cornerstone**

Public libraries possess a unique ability to transform individuals’ lives and guide us to fulfill our potential. Few other institutions are available to all, regardless of your history, identity, age or income – and fewer yet require no membership fee. We strive to be the most universal, accessible space in the community, ensuring our staff’s support and our resources, services and programming are available on all subjects needed.

My wish for this community is that anyone who comes to the library – whether through its doors, mobile services or virtual programs – leaves feeling enriched and rewarded by their visit. Whether it’s by picking up your next favorite read, bringing home tools and recreation to improve your life and community, or connecting with staff to access information on any topic that comes to mind, we’re here to meet your needs.

If you have new ideas or opportunities the library can consider in reaching this goal, I encourage you to reach out to me. The library’s purpose is to aid the community’s constant learning, and that journey must always start from within.

I’ve seen the library’s transformative power every day through the services we offer, the lives we change and the relationships we’re constantly forming. I’m thrilled to welcome you into the library and all that it offers our community.

Angela Zimmermann

Library Director

**Contact:**

**angela.zimmermann@racinelibrary.info**

**262.636.9252**

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**“The only thing that you absolutely have to know is the location of the library”
— Albert Einstein**

**Membership Invitation**



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