

Spring 2019



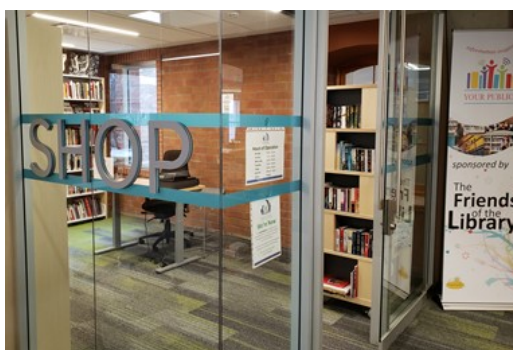
FRIENDS OF THE KINGSTON FRONTENAC PUBLIC LIBRARY

# The Friends' Review

## Message from the Board of Directors

We are open!!! The *Friends Book Shop* opened its doors for the first time on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> to many excited customers. People were lined up around the block when Central Branch re-opened their doors to nearly 3,000 people. The renovations were definitely worth the wait – the space is spectacular!

We welcome all our Friends to come say 'Hello' and see our new space. The FOL board is running the book shop for limited hours while we get our first group of volunteers up and running.



If you are interested in volunteering in the *Friends Book Shop*, please email us at [friends@kfpl.ca](mailto:friends@kfpl.ca) or call us at 613-549-8888 ext 3538.

### Don't forget, our daily and special book sale continues at Isabel Turner!

We also remind you that we're always in need of your gently used book donations! At Central, we'll accept a single bag of books when the *Friends Bookshop* is open, or you can see us in the shop (or email us) to arrange a donation of up to 3 boxes of books. At Isabel, please drop off no more than 3 boxes of books at the front circulation desk and KFPL staff will generously get them to our Isabel volunteers.

On March 20<sup>th</sup>, we attended the KFPL Board Meeting to present the cheque representing our donations for 2018, totalling \$21,941. Thank you to all of our Friends for your continued support.

We are also very excited to announce the Friends just donated **\$25,000** to the Central Branch's new Gather and Create Space – a multi-purpose space for a broad range of activities, many that are supported with Friends funds.



Signed,

Your 2018-2019 FOL Board of Directors

## Programs and materials made possible by your donations!

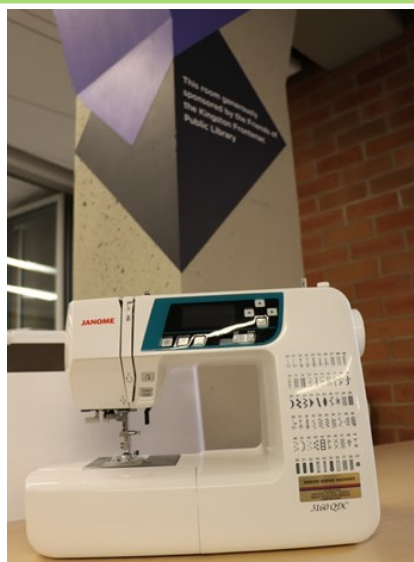


More than 400 people gathered for King Con 2019, enjoying an array of special guests, a vendor's market and the annual Kosplay Contest.



*These adorable Beebots are in high demand for the library's many STEM Start and STEM Punks programs. We supported the purchase of more Beebots and Ozobots for fall 2018 programs.*

*"The Friends of the Library Gather and Create Space" will be animated with a range of maker programs in 2019, featuring sewing and needlecraft, visual arts, and music. Two Janome sewing machines were purchased with our support and will make their debut in sewing workshops planned for May and June.*



Community Scarf Knitting took place at the Isabel Turner, Calvin Park, Pittsburgh, Rideau Heights and Sydenham Branches, and at the Artillery Park Pop Up. Patrons were able to settle in to add as many rows as they wished to scarves in progress. Five scarves were completed and were donated to the Kingston Street Mission. We sponsored the purchase of knitting needles that were used for this project and in the library Open Making: Knitting events.



**We invite you to join us at our Annual General Meeting on Thursday April 25, 2019 at 7pm in Meeting Room 1 at the Central branch.**

### FRIENDS OF KFPL

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#### ***Our Goal:***

*To raise funds to enhance services and materials in our libraries*

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