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From the desk of Leah Barnhard Executive Director Wichita Public Library Foundation April 20, 2017

3rd Annual Buy~a~Book Campaign! Join us at Watermark Books and Cafe, 4701 E. Douglas, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 21, 2017 to celebrate the Foundation's third annual Buy~a~Book Campaign. We welcome back violinist Jenny Clayton from 11:00 – 1:00 p.m. sharing her favorite songs for this very special event. Hope you can make it!

Here's how the day works – make a donation to the Foundation and then pick out your favorite book or one from the Library's wish list. The Foundation will buy the book and place it in the Library collection. You have the benefit of knowing your favorite books will be in the Library and making a tax deductible charitable contribution to the Foundation.

Can't make it to Watermark? Not a problem! The following link will take you directly to the Buy~a~Book donation page. Fill out the form online and use your credit card or make a paper copy of the form, enclose your check made payable to the WPLF, and mail to 223 South Main, Wichita, KS 67202.

http://www.supportwichitalibraries.org/support_your_library.php?page=buy_a_book Your support is greatly appreciated!

Foundation dollars at work: A huge thank you to the Wichita Community Foundation, the Friends of the Wichita Public Library and the Downtown Wichita Kiwanis Club for your support of the *1,000 Books Before Kindergarten* program at the Wichita Public Library. Watch for KWCH's Melissa Scheffler and daughter, Audrey, sharing their love of reading and the *1,000 Books Before Kindergarten* program with Channel 12 viewers.

A 2017 grant from the Kansas Humanities Council will help underwrite *Candid Conversations: A Discussion of Race in Wichita.* Programs include director Shakti Butler's film, *Cracking the Codes*, on Saturday, April 22nd from 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. at Central Library and *Officers of Color Panel Discussion* on Tuesday, May 2 from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. at Evergreen Branch Library. For more information on programming throughout the year, visit www.wichitalibrary.org/candid. *Your support makes the Library a very special place!*

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Congratulations to the Friends of the Wichita Public Library on a very successful spring book sale. A huge thank you goes out to all of the Friends volunteers. As we celebrate National Library Week and National Volunteer Week, it is good to know the Library is supported by such an amazing organization. Not a member, yet? Didn't get the book sale notice? Join the Friends! *Applications are available at any Library location!*

Top 10 Ways to Give - #5 Gift of funds in checking, savings, and brokerage accounts: An easy way to make a significant gift is to make the Wichita Public Library Foundation your named beneficiary for any CD's (certificate of deposit), saving accounts, brokerage accounts, or checking accounts you own with Payable on Death provisions. You retain full ownership and full control during your life; when your estate takes effect, the account balance is paid to the Wichita Public Library Foundation immediately and without probate.

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