

# Foundation Focus

WINTER, 2012

**BELLA VISTA LIBRARY FOUNDATION**

ISSUE 5

## Mission Statement

Contribute to the maintenance and growth of the Bella Vista Library by encouraging gifts from estates and regular contributions from businesses and individuals.



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## 2012 AND BEYOND!

We're starting on our next thirty years, and couldn't have made it this far without many, many hours of volunteer time and countless donations.



The next thirty years are going to look different - technology is changing the face of our library. Young professionals, teenagers, and newly retired persons are joining the volunteers who have been with us for 15, 20, and almost 30 years. The programming we desire requires more space. We want to continue to become a community hub of both information and culture. Won't you join us as we look to the future?

**Joni**



## Who Needs More Than One Library?

This may be your question.....maybe not. It might be an interesting inquiry. There are other book collections, reading rooms, and specialty reference locations in Bella Vista such as Highlands Church library and the facility at St. Bernard's Catholic Church or Cooper Elementary School. It may be that most of the books available to church members are donated and are operated entirely by volunteers. The staff at BVL is comprised of a full-time director and four part-time staff members. Church libraries appeal primarily to recreational and faith-based readers and often fill a gap for many. Unlike church libraries, the Bella Vista Library can offer--and does--many more library programs than a church library could. Many are tailored for specific age groups from 2 to 100! BVL's ability to offer Library2Go, funded by a Rotary Simplified Grant and part of a larger consortium of public libraries who subscribe, offers e-book access for those with Nooks, Kindles and other e-readers.

Even Highlands residents come to Town Center now and then. Perhaps they haven't visited the BVL lately. It is time to make that stop. You will be impressed with the added programs and opportunities. Hopefully in the future the dreams of expansion will make that "stop" even more desirable and fulfilling.

Each person, family, and business in our community faces a daunting challenge: the rapid pace of change. Compounding this challenge is the growth and array of information sources from which to choose so that wise decisions can be made. To cope and succeed, we need trusted information easily and quickly.

*The answer: the public library.*

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All donations are tax deductible--Federal 501(c)(3) Tax ID (EIN) 71-0785917. Please make all checks or estate planning instruments payable to Bella Vista Public Library **FOUNDATION.**



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The goals and ambitions of a library's customers are what ultimately define its character. Our library connects our lives with the past and our dreams with the future. The Bella Vista Library is a place where equal access means opportunity, where anyone can aspire and learn the skills necessary to walk on their chosen path. Our library supports literacy, education and lifelong learning. It brings technologies and resources to the community to improve the quality of life for all.

Yes, these are challenging times. Everybody's trying to do more with less. The dedication of library staff over the years has provided the Bella Vista Library access to resources, materials and programs that many could not afford. As the city grows, the library community must grow. In order for the growth to happen, donors, volunteers, staff and fundraising volunteers must continue to boost their efforts to meet the dreams of the future.



Pumpkin Activity



Bake Sale



Fish Activity

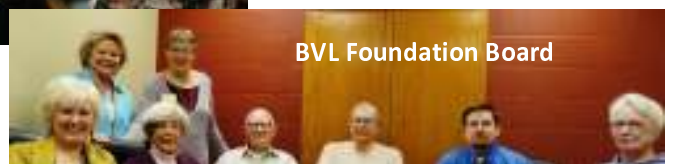


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\_\_\_ This gift is to honor \_\_\_\_\_, please call \_\_\_\_\_ for details

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**Bella Vista Library Foundation**

**11 Dickens Place**

**Bella Vista, AR 72714**

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