Press Release: Bring a Book, Bring a Friendem Fun'raiser

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Laurel Oak Elementary School

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That's the only "admission price" to an upcoming benefit going by the same name: The fourth annual **Bring a Book**, **Bring a Friend^{em} Fun'raiser** for the Library of Laurel Oak Elementary School **on November 9th** is a celebration that embraces two of life's best offerings—books and friends—while contributing armloads of new books for the young students of this north Naples elementary school. This year the celebration will be **held at the Club of Olde Cypress** from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

The idea began three years ago and has proven to be a smart and efficient way of enriching the school children's education. "Laurel Oak is the largest elementary school in Collier Country with over 1,200 students," notes Karen Clawson, the chair of this event. "Consider this: The students visit and check out books from their school library almost everyday. What better way of jump starting the minds and imaginations of so many future Neapolitans than to help stock their library's shelves with the best books available? It's an idea that I hope catches on everywhere."

Certainly the idea is catching on in this community as the support continues to snowball. "We have several 'fun' factors working to ensure our party's success," admits Karen. "When you invite your friends to invite their friends, you're almost guaranteed a lively mix of attendees. We encourage people to reach out to neighbors, retirees and young families, and to surrounding business owners. Newcomers and "natives" enjoy the informal networking and it's all for a great cause of helping the kids."

Are you ready to join in the celebration? Remember to <u>invite your friends to invite their friends with a book for a child as your ticket to attend</u>, whether your gift leads the young reader on a fast fiction of new adventure or introduces them to a new world waiting with true guts and grit. After all, as this party proves and avid readers know, a good book can take you places.

For more details, e-mail Karen Clawson at <u>bringabookfunraiser@yahoo.com</u>. Guests are encouraged to inscribe their gift as the children enjoy discovering a book that was handpicked especially for them. Individual and corporate sponsorships are available.