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Fall Book Sale October 20-22, 2017

Have you noticed the new signs around town reminding you of the upcoming book sale? Well, all the extra publicity has really made an impact. Donations this Summer have been beyond belief! In the past month alone, we estimate that we have received in excess of 10,000 books and other materials. We are bursting at the seams with kids books, fiction and non-fiction hardcovers, and paperbacks and all sorts of audio/visual materials for your Autumn read-

ing and viewing pleasure. On October 20-22, 2017 **Meeting Room A** will display the top quality, gently read, individually priced Better Books. The **25¢ Sale** will be in **Meeting Room B**. Downstairs the **Friends Room**, where books are priced at \$1 or 50¢, is full of all sorts of bargains! In total we estimate that we have over 30,000 books to sell this time and we probably have something for just about everybody. So come early for the best selection.

Books as Treats!

Why not give those special children in your life books as Halloween treats? Halloween themed books will be found in the Better Book Room in the Children's Section at the back of the room. Prices range from 25¢ to several dollars. There are board books and story books for babies and toddlers, fun Halloween chapter books and activity books for school children and more mature ghostly novels for older students.

Amazon Smile

The Holiday season is upon us (at least that's what I see in the stores!!) Speaking of stores, you can support the Friends by shopping!! AmazonSmile lets you donate to the Friends every time you shop on Amazon at no additional cost to you.

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1. Logon and create your account
2. Select The Friends.
3. Shop the same as before—including Prime benefits such as free shipping.

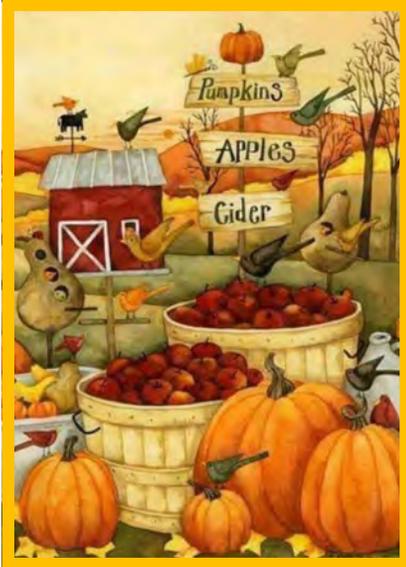


The past quarter has been one of the busiest ever for the Friends. This summer we brought you three sales and that's been very exciting for us all.

In May we had a successful special Military Sale, in July was a record-breaking Summer Sale and this September we had our first ever Music Sale. Together these three sales raised over \$15,730.00.

The success of these three sales can be attributed to three things: the hard work of our *worker bees* — our loyal volunteers; our increased visibility in the Library, the Village and the book-sale community; and the generosity of all those people who have donated their gently used books, records, music, games and puzzles. 35 years ago the Friends' sale was a card table of books in the lobby and raised a couple of hundred dollars in a week-end. Look how far we have come!!

Children's Corner—by Elizabeth Hicks



Our October sale promises to be a fun treasure hunt for children's books. We have received a large

number of books for every room. Halloween books, American Girl books and a large selection of old vintage Nancy Drew and Hardy Boys books will be featured in the Better Book Room along with a generous selection in every category from toddler board books to Teen/Young Adult novels and non-fiction. There is no telling what you will find in the 25¢ Room because the variety and quantity of well-loved children's books for sale in that room is sure to be impressive. And, of course, the Friend's Room will be in need of shelf stretchers in the Children's area due to constant donations of beautiful books. Enjoy Fall to the

fullest and make this Season one of preparation for Winter by stocking up on reading selections for children to cozy up with and enjoy during cold weather. I am looking forward to seeing you at the sale and I may be able to help in your search for a particular children's title.



A Great Idea!

Elizabeth Hicks and her crew of volunteers take care of all of the children's donations. This summer they put together "mystery bags" of age appropriate books for children to take on their summer adventures. These bags proved to be so popular that we just about sold out of them on Saturday. We won't be able to have surprise bags at every sale, but watch for them again at a future sale probably at the Kids and Holiday Sale on December 9, 2017



Amazing Music Sale!



This Spring, the Friends received two huge donations of vinyl records and classical CDs. Since it was more than we could display at our Autumn Sale, we decided to have a special Music Sale. After we announced the sale for September 16 we were astounded by the response to our request for donations. Over 2,000 vinyl LPs, hundreds of CDs, hundreds of cassettes, dozens of 45's, 15 boxes

of music related books and all sorts of other music related items poured in. People came from as far as the Netherlands (!) for the sale and we raised a remarkable \$2,003! It appears that even with all the new technology available to music lovers, there is still demand for vinyl. Thanks to everyone who donated and helped with this special sale.



Book Sales Are a Team Effort

Without our many wonderful volunteers, we would not have well-organized book sales each year. It seems that we never have enough hands to help with the many tasks it takes to run a sale. Some of the jobs we need help with are:

- People to help with putting up signs and posters where they live, work and shop.
- Young people to help move the books, especially those with extra energy, who need to satisfy service hours for graduation or confirmation.
- People to help set up the Better Books and 25¢ Room on the Thursday night before the sale.
- Reliable Cashiers
- “Floaters” to help keep things tidy during the sale itself.

- People to help take down and clean up after the sale on Sunday afternoon.
- People who have an hour or so to help with special projects as they arise.

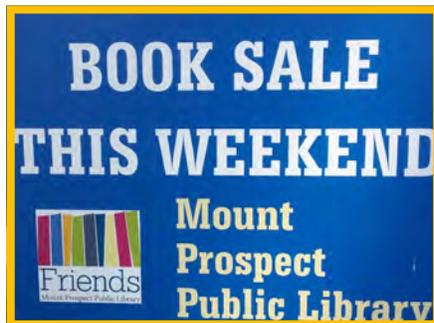
If you are interested, please call Di-
anne Langley at 847-364-0427.



Where Did You See Our Signs?

The attendance at this summer’s sales was absolutely remarkable. Many of you said that the you saw the signs and remembered to come to the sale. Not only did attendance skyrocket, but donations have increased significantly. You can help us determine where to spend our limited advertising budget (signs are expensive) by taking a minute to tell us where you heard about the sale. For those of you who learned about the sales on Booksalefinder.com,

“Welcome Aboard” and come back next sale; we always have new books!



Where Does the Money Go?

How do we spend the money raised at the book sales? Since we have no paid employees, with the exception of the sales tax we pay to the State of Illinois and a few other expenses related to running the sales, all of the money raised goes directly to the Library. The Friends regularly hear that staff and volunteers are what

makes this Library so great so we take pride in supporting the Library’s talented staff. This past quarter the Friends paid for staff training for the Escape Room program, subsidized the purchase of wearing apparel and funded the annual staff “Pat on the Back” luncheon. Great staff and volunteers make a great Library!!

Friends Evening Book Discussion

October 18

Eight Hundred Grapes by Laura Dave

Growing up on her family’s Sonoma vineyard, Georgia Ford has come to learn there are secrets you share, and secrets you hide. However, a week before her wedding, thirty-year-old Georgia discovers her beloved fiancé has been keeping a secret so explosive, it will change their lives forever.

November 15

The Husband’s Secret by Liane Moriarty

Discovering a tattered letter that says she is to open it only in the event of her husband’s death, Cecilia is unable to resist reading the letter and discovers a secret that shatters her life and the lives of two other women.

December 20

The Rosie Effect by Graeme Simsion

Don and Rosie are now living in New York happily married and about to face a new challenge together: pregnancy. With the same amount of hilarity and heart as its predecessor, *The Rosie Project*, Don continues to navigate his way through being a good friend, a good husband, and now, how to be a good father.

The Friends Evening Book Discussion Group meets the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm in Meeting Room B.

New friends are always welcome.



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First Class

Friends Book Sale Schedule

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| Members Only Night | Friday | October 20, 2017 | 6:30 – 9:30 |
| General Public | Saturday | October 21, 2017 | 9:00 – 4:30 |
| General Public | Sunday | October 22, 2017 | Noon – 4:00 |
| Kids & Holiday | Saturday | December 9, 2017 | 10 am – 2 pm |
| Members Only Night | Friday | January 19, 2018 | 6:30 – 9:30 |
| General Public | Saturday | January 20, 2018 | 9:00 – 4:30 |
| General Public | Sunday | January 21, 2018 | Noon – 4:00 |
| Cook Book Sale | Saturday | February 10, 2018 | 10 am—2 pm |
| Members Only Night | Friday | April 20, 2018 | 6:30 – 9:30 |
| General Public | Saturday | April 21, 2018 | 9:00 – 4:30 |
| General Public | Sunday | April 22, 2018 | Noon – 4:00 |
| Members Only Night | Friday | July 20, 2018 | 6:30 – 9:30 |
| General Public | Saturday | July 21, 2018 | 9:00 – 4:30 |
| General Public | Sunday | July 22, 2018 | Noon – 4:00 |