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Mount Prospect Public Library

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# Friends

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## Fall Book Sale October 19-21, 2018

It feels like we say this before every sale, but we truly have many excellent books to offer for the Fall Sale!



In the Friends Room we will have a particularly good selection of text books available (with an emphasis on the sciences). The shelves of novels are full and we've received many military books as well. As always, in the Friends Room hardcover and paperback

books are economically priced at only \$1 and 50¢, respectively.

The Better Book Room (Meeting Room A) has a wide mixture of books in every category. A collection of over 150 Star Wars paperback books, many current novels and lots of graphic novels are new to the sale. In this room items are individually priced, with the majority of the books in the \$2.50 to \$5 range. Take some time to peruse the exceptional books on the Spotlight table by the checkouts.

In Meeting Room B, bargain books are priced at 25¢. Browse a variety of fiction and non-fiction books and A/V materials.

In the rear of all rooms you will find a children's section containing paperback and hardcover books (from read aloud stories to early readers on up to youth books). Come and explore – you are sure to go home with many excellent items to add to your collection!



## Summer Sale Recap—WOW!

We've decided that we need to consult our "resident oracle", Sue Wolf, before each sale. Over the last year she has very closely predicted our quarterly sale volume and was spot-on again for the Summer Sale! The Friends had a record-breaking Summer event which generated \$14,000 over three days, sending many items home with our steady flow of customers!

Our cashiers were kept quite busy calculating sale totals and bagging purchases from Friday evening at 6:30 PM

through Sunday afternoon at 4 PM! The first sale on Friday night in the Better Book Room was for over \$100 and was made at 6:35 PM! Our volunteers commented that even our "slow" time (Sunday afternoon from 2 PM - 3 PM) wasn't slow.

We love the increased foot traffic because it means that more people are attending our sales and more books are finding good homes. Keep telling your friends and neighbors that our sales are great for everyone. We value the word of mouth publicity!

The Friends offer our members a search service, so if there is a book or movie of interest to you, give us the details. We post the information for our sorters, who check requests against our inventory. We've been able to fulfill many requests. Please e-mail [fofmppl@gmail.com](mailto:fofmppl@gmail.com) with information about the item (will you accept paperback or only hardcover, etc.) as well as your preferred method of contact. We will be in touch if we are able to find the item, and you will be able to pick it up at the next book sale.

## Children's Corner—by Elizabeth Hicks

There is a good chance this year that we will have a very colorful Fall. Isn't Fall the rosiest time of the year? We see the prettiest yellows, oranges and reds in the trees and flowers that mark our landscape.

### Customer Service

How we run our book sales changes in response to customer feedback. A few years ago we added credit card processing to our sales via PayPal, an offering that has become quite popular. The processing fee we charge covers the fee that we are charged by PayPal.



Last year, we added a second checkout table in the Better Book Room on Friday and Saturday. We had observed customers waiting in line and looked for ways to shorten the wait, and this solution has seemed to be working well.

Do you have a suggestion as to how we can make your book sale shopping experience better? Let us know by dropping us an email at [fofmopl@gmail.com](mailto:fofmopl@gmail.com) or grab one of the Friends' Board members at a book sale. There is usually a Board member in every room throughout the sales. You can easily find us because we are wearing blue colored polo shirts with the Library logo on them.

Some of the loveliest "Fall color" can be seen on the cheeks of our youngsters as they are exposed to the first chilly weather of the season. We are fortunate to have our children attend schools that feed their inquisitive, sponge-like minds. We all know that they are open to new and exciting experiences, not only at school but all the time.

With many thanks to our ever generous community for plentiful donations, we are once again able to offer a wide variety of books, puzzles and games at our October Sale.

We look forward to seeing our families enjoying the hunt for treasures to fill leisure time and

help with school time activities as well. We all love a treasure hunt!

Mark your calendar and bring your children to find their treasures while you are hunting for yours on Book Sale weekend. This way you can make our sales fun for everyone in the family!



## Book Sale Changes—Please Note!



If you look at the Book Sale schedule for 2019 you'll notice two important changes, one in February and a big one in April/May.

First, the February Cook Book Sale has been expanded to a Cook Book & How-To Sale. While cooking remains very popular, patrons who see our "Book Sale Today" sign are often disappointed that this sale

contains only cook books. By expanding the sale to cover How-To topics we will offer a wider variety of options to our patrons. Keep those cookbook donations coming AND include your how-to books to make this sale a great one!

The second change on the calendar is the timing of the Spring Book Sale. Our usual Book Sale date would be the third weekend of April, but in 2019 Easter falls on the third Sunday of April. There are calendar conflicts on both the second and fourth weekends of April, so the Spring Book Sale will be conducted on May 3-5. Please mark these dates on your calendar now so that you don't forget. We would hate to have you show up two weeks early and be disappointed!

## Volunteer Opportunity

Dianne Langley and Pat Klawitter represented the Friends at the Library's second annual Volunteer Expo this past August. The good news is that many people in our community are looking to become volunteers and the Friends signed-up more than 10 new ones!

Did you know that it takes over 100 volunteers to run a weekend Book Sale event? A large number of them are not visible to you, working "behind the scenes" to assure that our quarterly sales run smoothly.

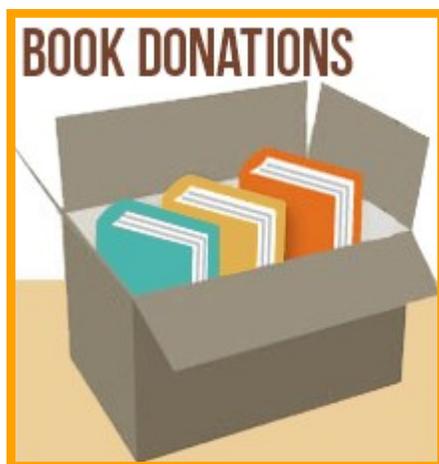
At this time we have a need for publicity volunteers, individuals who have 30 or more minutes to deliver flyers to local businesses approximately four weeks prior to each

Book Sale event. Many local businesses kindly support the Friends by hanging our Book Sale flyers in their windows. A large number of our customers tell us that these flyers remind them to come to our sales.

If this form of volunteer support interests you, following a brief training session you can distribute flyers at a time that conveniently works into your schedule. If you would like more information, please send an email to [fofm ppl@gmail.com](mailto:fofm ppl@gmail.com) with your name and preferred method of contact (email, cell phone home phone). One of our Friends Board members will get back to you to schedule a training. This is a great opportunity to spend a small amount of time and have a big impact!

## Donations Needed

The Friends love selling books, but we must continuously remind Book Sale patrons that we can only sell what has been donated.



Please tell your friends and neighbors that we absolutely love receiving their book, puzzle, game, movie and music donations! Without them we wouldn't be here.

A donation to the Friends is tax-deductible, since we are a registered 501c3 organization. Not only that, but funds raised by our book sales remain in our community and support the Friends' mission to increase literacy in our community.

Please keep your donations "In the 56" (that is, in Mt. Prospect) by dropping off a bag or box full of:

- Children's' books that your kids have now outgrown
- Books remaining from your latest garage sale
- Previously enjoyed "old reads" from your bookshelves that will allow you to make room for the "new reads" you buy at our sales

Thank you so much for your continued support of the Friends!

## Friends Evening Book Discussion

### October 18

*Ashley Bell* by Dean Koontz

After a miraculous cure from death, Bibi Blair becomes obsessed with the idea that she was spared because she is meant to save someone else. Little does she know she is embarking on a trail of sinister mysteries and plunging into a world of conspiracy.

### November 15

*A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles

Deemed unrepentant by a Bolshevik tribunal in 1922, Count Alexander Rostov is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin, where he lives in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in the history of Russia unfold.

### December 20

*The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion* by Fannie Flagg

Sookie Poole is looking forward to relaxing after marrying off the last of her three daughters, but the discovery of a shocking secret about her mother's past suddenly calls into question everything she ever thought she knew about herself, her family, and her future.

The Friends Evening Book Discussion Group meets on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM in Meeting Room B. New friends are always welcome!



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## Friends Book Sale Schedule

<b>Members Only Night</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>October 19, 2018</b>	<b>6:30 PM – 9:30 PM</b>
<b>General Public</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>October 20, 2018</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 4:30 PM</b>
<b>General Public</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 21, 2018</b>	<b>Noon – 4:00 PM</b>
<b>Kids &amp; Holiday Sale</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>December 8, 2018</b>	<b>10:00 AM – 3:00 PM</b>
<b>Members Only Night</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 18, 2019</b>	<b>6:30 PM – 9:30 PM</b>
<b>General Public</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 19, 2019</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 4:30 PM</b>
<b>General Public</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 20, 2019</b>	<b>Noon – 4:00 PM</b>
<b>Cook Book &amp; How-To Sale</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 9, 2019</b>	<b>10:00 AM—3:00 PM</b>
<b>Members Only Night</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 3, 2019</b>	<b>6:30 PM – 9:30 PM</b>
<b>General Public</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 4, 2019</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 4:30 PM</b>
<b>General Public</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 5, 2019</b>	<b>Noon – 4:00 PM</b>
<b>Members Only Night</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>July 19, 2019</b>	<b>6:30 PM – 9:30 PM</b>
<b>General Public</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 20, 2019</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 4:30 PM</b>
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