



Friends
Mount Prospect Public Library

We Welcome Our New Members:

Life Members

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The Talaga Family

Good Friends

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Norma Fillipp

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Charyn Beaumont
Matt Brillman
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Krystal & Danny Glassman
Jamil Grayer
Robert John
James & Toni Kasz
Tyler Kester
James A. Mayuga
Barbara McQuillan
Brad Michel
Thomas Miles
Tim Moeller
Hannah Na
Kristine O'Sullivan
Meryem Ozsanlier
Kristen Reyes
M. Schroeder Family
Gavin Scott
Harry Semerjian
Anthony Stevenson
Mark Stingley
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Winter Book Sale January 18-20, 2019

The Winter Book Sale will amaze you!

Meeting Room A, which holds our top quality, individually priced **Better Books**, will offer books on topics such as military, history, politics, trains, cooking and sports. **Good news: single movie DVDs have been repriced to \$2!** In addition, for the Winter Sale, all DVDs and CDs

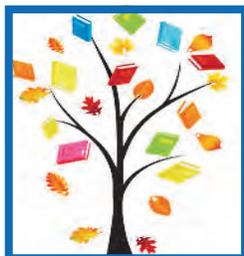
and books on CD are BOGO - buy one, get one of equal or lesser value for FREE! What a deal! The downstairs **Friends Sale Room** offers books that are priced at \$1 for hardcover and 50¢ for paperbacks, as well as puzzles and games that are individually priced. The **25¢ Sale** will be in **Meeting Room B** where we are featuring an ex-

cellent assortment of CDs and many fantastic fiction and non-fiction adult books for 25¢ each.

Looking for something to keep the kids occupied this winter? Check out our LARGE selection of Children's books in the back of each room!



Fall Book Sale Summary



What a great sale! Good weather, continuous foot traffic and over \$10,000 worth of items were sold! We brought on new volunteers to help and everyone had

a great time! We completed takedown in record time. Thanks to all of our members for patronizing the sale and spreading the word to their friends and neighbors!

December Holiday Sale a Smash!

The December Holiday Sale was a huge success. We expanded our sale from the small Meeting Room B to the larger Meeting Room A and it had a positive impact.

There was plenty of room to shop for top quality holiday and gift books and attendance was terrific! **We sold a record \$2,494**, nearly \$700 above 2017!



February Cookbook and How-To Sale



Mark your calendars for the Friends' bigger than ever **Cookbook and How-To Sale** scheduled for on Saturday, February 9 from 10 AM until 3 PM. In addition to an excellent selection of

cookbooks, we will be offering books on carpentry, decorating, sewing, crafts, painting and many more how-to topics! Please come and help support the success of this expanded event.

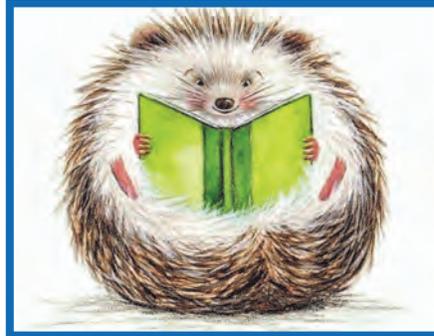
Kid's Corner— Elizabeth Hicks

You may be reading this newsletter during the holidays, so we wish you and yours the happiest and most memorable times shared.

It seems that as busy as we all are there is no end to the donation generosity of our Friends members and the broader Mount Prospect community. The children's books that have been arriving for our January book sale are wonderful! There is something for children of every age.

What better time than January to spend a portion of your weekend browsing our book sale to find books, puzzles, games and surprises to fill your housebound winter months with reading and spending time together? Many books from

our non-fiction selection can open the door to new interests and supplement school materials for special projects during the second half of the academic year.



Of special note: We will once again feature a **Mystery Bag** at this sale to purchase for a minimal cost. Don't miss it!



Sunrise Connection Support

The Friends of the Library support the Sunrise Connection breakfast hosted by the Library. This popular event is built upon a thirty year tradition of bringing together the elected



officials and executive leadership of our community's government organizations, state and federal legislators to strengthen relationships as we work together to make Mount Prospect a great place to live and work. The event recently changed to a breakfast setting to better accommodate today's hectic schedules.

The organizations invited to participate serve either all or a part of Mount Prospect. They are: Village Board, Library Board, Mount Prospect Park District Board, River Trails Park District Board, Prospect Heights Park District Board, Elk Grove Township Board, Wheeling Township Board, School Boards 57, 59, 26, 21, 23, 214, Harper College Board, and Oakton College Board. State and Federal representatives and senators also are invited.

Elected officials share information, discuss issues and form partnerships during these collegial, energized conversations. The Library Board is proud to be the organizer and host and we are grateful for the Friends' sponsorship that makes a breakfast venue possible.

Marilyn Genter, MPPL Executive Director

We look forward to seeing families enjoy the search for the perfect items to fill snowy, chilly days with entertainment and enrichment!

Thank You!

Book sales are a team effort. Without our many volunteers, we would not have well-organized book sales each year. This includes our old hands (volunteers who have to stop and think when you ask them how long they've been helping), our newbies (volunteers who joined the Friends this past year) and everyone in between.



They help in many ways and allow us to fulfill our mission of supporting the Library and enhancing its literacy effort in the community. Thank you so very much!

In Loving Memory

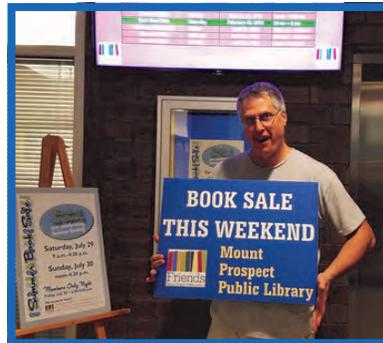
In 2018 two of our longest-serving volunteers passed away: Dorothy Perz and Lu Leschyk. They served as our longstanding Friday night cashier "anchor team" in the Friends Room, where they totaled and bagged many thousands of books on "their" shift. When Friday night cashiering became a competitive sport (!), first Lu and then Dorothy handed over their cash boxes for others to carry on.

2018 In Review—Publicity Works!

Publicity has been the buzz word for 2018. The Friends expanded the yard sale sign program, and now have **over 30 Friends** who post signs in their yards the week of each quarterly Book Sale, which brings **many additional visitors** to our sales. Sale flyers are posted throughout the community, and we are very grateful to the **well over 100 local businesses** who display our sale flyer! **Twenty area schools** distribute Book Sale information either electronically or by flyer to students and parents.

The monitor outside the Friends Room is updated regularly by Eric Bertolozzi with sale, donation and

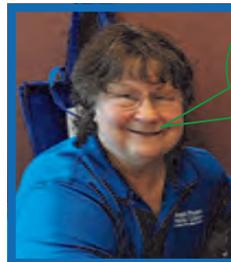
volunteer information. Our social media presence has expanded greatly due to the efforts of Eric Schaeffer. Eric's Facebook posts reach all corners of the community and beyond! These efforts have increased Book Sale foot traffic and, as a result, revenue in 2018 over 2017.



Volunteers Needed

Though the Friends recruit volunteers, our best source of new recruits is word-of-mouth. Please pass along to your friends and co-workers that volunteering with the Friends is an excellent opportunity to perform community service and we love it when you bring a buddy! If you have two hours on Thursday, January 17, Friday, January 18, Saturday, January 19 or Sunday, January 20, we could use your help. Our set-up volunteers arrange books on tables and our take-down

volunteers pack books into boxes for transport downstairs. If you are interested, please call Dianne Langley at 847-364-0427 to lend a hand.



We love volunteers!

“What Forms of Payment Do You Accept?”

A sale doesn't go by without a number of patrons asking, so in case you weren't aware, **in addition to cash we accept checks and credit cards (CC)**. The CC option has proven quite popular. We have two tablets available in the Better Books Room to process CC sales.

When paying this way, please provide your driver's license with your CC so that we may verify your identity. **We add a processing fee** of \$2 for purchases under \$100, \$5 for those of at least \$100 but under \$200 and \$8 for those totaling \$200 or more to cover PayPal fees.

Friends Evening Book Discussion

January 16, 2019

If You Ask Me (And Of Course You Won't) by Betty White
Drawing from a lifetime of lessons learned, seven-time Emmy winner Betty White's wit and wisdom take center stage as she tackles topics like friendship, romantic love, aging, television, fans, love for animals, and the brave new world of celebrity.

February 20, 2019

Everything I've Never Told You by Celeste Ng
“Lydia is dead. But they don't know this yet . . .” So begins this highly acclaimed debut novel about a mixed-race family living in 1970s Ohio and the tragedy that will either be their undoing or their salvation.

March 20, 2019

To Be Determined

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.

When making CC purchases in rooms other than / in addition to Better Books, please ask a cashier for a “passport”. Cashiers in each room will record your purchase totals on it. **You will pay the total fee in Better Books and then retrieve your buys from each room.**



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First Class

Friends Book Sale Schedule

Members Only Night	Friday	January 18, 2019	6:30 PM – 9:30 PM
General Public	Saturday	January 19, 2019	9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
General Public	Sunday	January 20, 2019	Noon – 4:00 PM
Cook Book and How-To Sale	Saturday	February 9, 2019	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Members Only Night	Friday	May 3, 2019	6:30 PM – 9:30 PM
General Public	Saturday	May 4, 2019	9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
General Public	Sunday	May 5, 2019	Noon – 4:00 PM
Members Only Night	Friday	July 19, 2019	6:30 PM – 9:30 PM
General Public	Saturday	July 20, 2019	9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
General Public	Sunday	July 21, 2019	Noon – 4:00 PM
Members Only Night	Friday	October 18, 2019	6:30 PM – 9:30 PM
General Public	Saturday	October 19, 2019	9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
General Public	Sunday	October 20, 2019	Noon – 4:00 PM
Holiday & Gift Book Sale	Saturday	December 14, 2019	10:00 AM – 3 :00 PM