



Friends
Mount Prospect Public Library

Friends

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Get Ready! Fall Book Sale October 18-20

With donations remaining quite plentiful, we're looking to have a **fantastic Fall sale!**



Our sorting volunteers have been diligently working to keep up with the donations. In the Friends Room, shelves of novels are full. Check out our expanded How-To section, containing donations on topics such as welding, and micro-

brewing. As always, in the **Friends Room** hardcover and paperback books are priced at only \$1 and 50¢, respectively.

The **Better Book Room** (Meeting Room A) has a wide mixture of books in every category. Items are individually priced, with the majority of the books in the \$2.50 to \$5 range. Check out the new category—"Award Winners" for excellent reads at great prices. Special to this sale—an assortment of office supplies donated

by Chase Bank!

This room also features media (CDs, DVDs, books on CD) with BOGO pricing (when you buy one, get one free)!

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 each room is a children's section offering paperback and hardcover books (from read aloud stories to early readers to youth books).

Please come and explore our wonderful selection. Don't "leave" the Fall sale without making a purchase that will help us "rake in" lots of money to support the library!!

New Members

Life Members

Vilma Bell

Marilyn Genther

Dianne & Robert Langley

Good Friends

Ed Loye

Jamie Zambuto

Members

Jackie Bachman

Dave Bailie

Stephanie Barry

Paul Bauch

Heather Booyesen

Marie Borys

Phil Cohen

Vishal Dalal

Robert Delamotte

Flolette Flores

Kathleen Harwell

Tom Havel

Robert Johnson

Tom & Sue McIlvoy

Sarah Moore

Glen Niebuhr

Yunus Ozturk

Philip Paz

David Rene

Kevin Sande

Margaret Sears

Adam Sheldon

Brad Speckman

Maurice Waters

Mehmet Yuce

Aigul Zholdoshova

Summer Sale Recap—WOW!

The Friends truly feel the support of the Mount Prospect community.

Once the Summer sale concluded, volunteers were waiting at the elevator to take unsold books back to the Friends Room for storage. Our assistant treasurer announced to the group that the weekend sale was a success but fell \$9 short of reaching \$12,000. A library patron, who overheard the announcement, asked if she could donate \$9 to the sale so that the Friends could reach the \$12,000 milestone! The Friends would like to

thank our anonymous donor as well as all who so kindly donate their used books so that we can conduct our sales and support the Library.



Keep telling your friends about the benefits of our sales. The increased foot traffic means that more people are attending and more books are finding good homes. We value the word of mouth publicity!

Holiday & Gift Book Sale 12/14

On Saturday, December 14 we will be holding our popular Holiday and Gift Book sale from 10:00 AM—3:00 PM in Meeting Room A. It's a great opportunity for you to purchase "gift quality" items at very attractive prices!

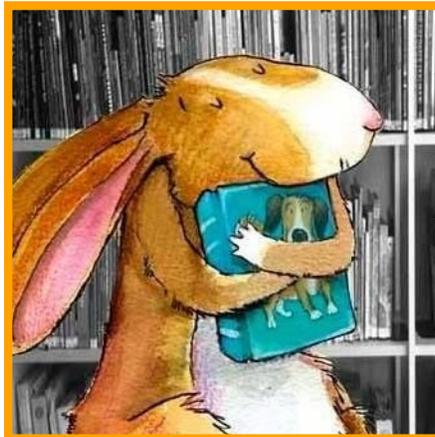


Children's Corner—by Elizabeth Hicks

Why would anyone purchase a children's story book at a Friends Book Sale when they can borrow a book from the very library that the book sale supports?

The experience of borrowing books from the library teaches lessons of its own. Among many other things, the library experience teaches children that their community supports them by providing a place for them to learn and explore outside of their home and school life. Regular family visits to the library can instill in them the importance of individual learning and exploring as

well as creating a memory of good times spent together as a family.



Now back to owning a colorful, brilliantly illustrated book! A story book that a child can peruse over and over again, without having to

give it up, teaches them ownership responsibility while supporting their educational and artistic development. Who knows what can come of wheels turning in the heads of little ones who crawl under the covers with a favorite book, or drag it outdoors or to the car to repeatedly examine it? **To facilitate this, we have lowered the price on many of our Better Book Room children's books.**

Please come and browse the beautiful selection of story books that we offer. Find ones that will give your child hours of thought provoking entertainment, ones that will be a pleasure to read to them and a joy to watch them "read."

Search Service



Many members are unaware that the Friends offer them a search service. If there is a book or movie of interest to you, give us the details. We post the information for our sorters, who check your requests against our inventory. We've been able to fulfill many requests...another fantastic Friends membership benefit!

Please e-mail 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!

New Book Sale Guidelines—Please Note!

The Friends regularly review book sale operations. **We develop guidelines to help all of our customers, from dealers to those buying only one book, have the best sale experience possible!** Between sales, countless hours are spent by our volunteers to sort, clean, shelve, table and price our items. We take care to make the sale as organized as possible to create a pleasant experience for you while maximizing sale proceeds.

Here is a synopsis of the updated guidelines. The full list will be given to all customers at check-in on Friday. Thank you for complying!

- Books should be purchased in the room from which they were found. **Ask to use a "Passport" if**

you wish to buy in multiple rooms but make a combined credit card or check payment.

- We allow scanners to be used. However, **books and items may not be removed from designated shelves/tables to be stockpiled to peruse later. This takes items from someone else who may wish to purchase them and Anything in your possession should be something you will purchase.**
- If buying many items, Book Sale staff can set aside a partial purchase for you and figure an interim dollar tally while you continue shopping. This informs you and speeds up the checkout process.
- Customers who fail to comply with these guidelines will kindly be asked to leave the sale.

Fall Sale (and Ongoing) Volunteer Opps



**PASSION—RELIABILITY—
INTEGRITY—ENERGY—
TEAM PLAYER**

These are five of the many traits that characterize a great volunteer. While possessing all or most of these qualities is what we strive for, it is important to know and realize our inner strengths and weaknesses. We welcome ALL volunteers into our Friends group. We seek people who smile, act professionally and are flexible. Being approachable and a good listener can

be just as important as someone who possesses boundless energy.

For the Fall sale, volunteer opportunities are available for setup the Thursday before the sale (Oct. 17) in Meeting Room A from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, during the sale on Friday (October 18) from 6:15 PM to 9:30 PM, Saturday (Oct. 19) from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM, and Sunday (Oct. 20) from noon until 4:00 PM and then for the critical sale takedown (3:30 PM to 5:00 PM). During sale hours we have slots for “Floaters”, who help keep our books/sale areas tidy and organized. Our sale weekends are an excellent opportunity for students in your homes to gain needed service hours!

Please call Dianne Langley, at 847-364-0427 so that she can identify and assign a role and time slot that works for you!

Donations Always Needed and Welcomed

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 501(c)3 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 any or all of the following items:

- 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 16

***The Dead Key* by D.M. Pulley**

During a renovation survey, when engineer Iris Latch stumbles upon keys to the vault's safe-deposit boxes lost twenty years earlier, what begins as a welcome break from her cubicle becomes an obsession as she unravels the bank's sordid past-- and soon realizes that the key to the mystery comes at an astonishing price.

November 20

***The Second Mrs. Hockaday*
by Susan Rivers**

Major Gryffth Hockaday is called to the front lines of the Civil War. His new bride must care for their three-hundred-acre farm and infant son. Placidia is completely unprepared to run a farm or raise a child. When the Major returns two years later, Placidia is bound for jail, accused of having borne a child in his absence and murdering it. What really transpired in the two years he was away?

December 18

***Uncommon Type* by Tom Hanks**

In a collection of shorts that explore - with great affection, humor, and insight - the human condition in all its foibles, each is linked by the part a typewriter plays, whether minor or central.

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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First Class

Friends Book Sale Schedule

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
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General Public	Sunday	January 19, 2020	Noon – 4:00 PM
Members Only Night	Friday	April 17, 2020	6:30 PM – 9:30 PM
General Public	Saturday	April 18, 2020	9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
General Public	Sunday	April 19, 2020	Noon – 4:00 PM
Members Only Night	Friday	July 17, 2020	6:30 PM – 9:30 PM
General Public	Saturday	July 18, 2020	9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
General Public	Sunday	July 19, 2020	Noon – 4:00 PM