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Mount Prospect Public Library

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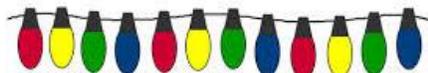
Book Sale Summary

Fall Book Sale October 2014

The Fall Book Sale was a rousing success!! A lot of happy customers took home a huge number of books, CDs, DVDs and other items. We made over \$7000 and saw many happy faces.

Military Sale November 2014

People often ask us why we have certain "Special sales" like our Military Sale, held November 8, 2014. We say that the sale chose us!! As we were sorting donations, we realized that we had received a very large number of military books, enough to have a separate sale!! This 4 hour event generated \$1524 for the Friends and enabled us to make a \$250 donation to the charity K9s for Warriors. This group is dedicated to providing service canines to warriors suffering from post-traumatic stress and/or traumatic brain injury as a result of military service post 9/11.



December Kids & Holiday Sale

On a an uncharacteristically warm Saturday, December 13, 2014 the Friends held their annual Kids and Holiday Sale and sold more than 60% of the books, movies and music and raised over \$1000! There was hardly a quiet moment during this annual 4 hour sale so lots of customers went home with special books for family members. We even

sold a bunch of Holiday CDs and records!!

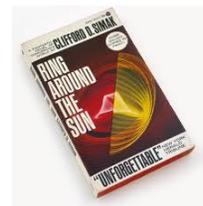
January 2015 Book Sale

The Winter Book Sale will be Friday, January 16 through Sunday, January 18. We will have our usual setup with Better Books in Room A, 25¢ books in Room B and Friends Room downstairs with \$1 hardcovers and 50¢ paperbacks.

We received some excellent materials for teachers and home school parents. We have three Science Discovery boxes. The boxes contain both instructional material and project material for a variety of Science activities. Box A is designed for 3-4 year olds. Box B is designed for Grades K – 1 and Box C is designed for Grades 2-3. Only one box per set so these will go very fast!!

We have Military books, a tremendous selection of CDs, an assortment of radio books and some excellent World Language books. There is something for everyone – even some good diet and exercise books for those who overindulged over the holidays!!

Also, for those of you who have been asking – we don't have enough books to do a separate Science Fiction Sale, but we promise to have a WHOLE TABLE of Sci Fi and Fantasy books. Thank you to our members who heard our request and donated many excellent books!!



February 2015 Cook Book Sale

By popular demand we will usher in the cold month of February with our Cook Book Sale on Saturday, February 7, 2015. Come prepared to enjoy a variety of cook books from the simple to the complex – a variety to please every palate.

Interested in International?

A large number of World language books will be available including quality Spanish, Korean, Hindi and Polish books. We will let you know if there are enough books to hold a special sale in March or if we will have an “International Table” at the April Book Sale.

Thank You, Volunteers!!

As always, thank you to all of our many volunteers who make our sales a success. Without these dedicated helpers who sort, price, box, shelve, haul, set-up, sell, and transport the thousands of books that are donated each year, we would not be able to offer our members such great deals on quality used books. I don't know how many people heard the story of the July power outage, but it bears repeating. Just before the volunteers were to arrive at the Library to roll upstairs on carts the 400+ boxes of books for the sale, an accident caused a power outage to the Library. Our dedicated volunteers carried up the stairs all of these items and set-up as many books as they were able to before the lack of light caused the group to call it a night. We have amazing volunteers!!

Thank You! Melanie Miller

Book sale volunteers have heard the cheerful voice of Melanie Miller for the past several years calling to

schedule their cashier or set-up or take down shifts.

Melanie will no longer be our Volunteer Coordinator but will remain with the Friends helping to update and create displays. Have you noticed our exciting displays outside of the Friends Room? Thanks to Melanie many people have stopped to look at the displays and are learning more about the Friends!!



Welcome, Dianne!!

Welcome New Friends Board Member Dianne Langley. Dianne has been an active Friends volunteer who recently joined the Friends Board. She brings to the Friends a wealth of experience with books and children after her many years as a school librarian in District 59 Juliette Low School. Dianne will be the Friends Volunteer Coordinator and will be calling Book Sale Volunteers about helping at our upcoming sales. You'll love her energy and enthusiasm as much as we do!!

Gifts to the Library

This past year the Friends have supported the Library in many ways. We are very proud of our ongoing support for a variety of popular library programs as well as special projects. The Friends are proud to

support the children's Discovery Zone project. This high-tech area is designed to encourage children in grades 1 – 5 discover the science around them. Frequently updated topics will encourage children to learn about such topics as weather, space and simple machines. Projected to be complete in early spring, come and explore the Discovery Zone!!

Donations Needed

The Friends are able to support the Library because the members of the Mount Prospect community so generously donate their used books, records, CDs DVDs and books on tape. Please continue to think of the Friends when you are cleaning out your old books and media. While we can no longer accept magazines, small cook books are in great demand. We also need text books, gently used children's books, puzzles, games and music. We only operate because of your generosity.



Help Wanted!!

The Friends need set-up and take down helpers for the quarterly book sales but we are especially in need of helpers for the January sale. We rely heavily on our high school volunteers and Book Sale week is also final exam week and many high school volunteers are unavailable to help. If you have a few hours on Thursday, January 15 to help us arrange books on tables, please call Dianne Langley at 847-364-0427.

Notice Any Changes?

Exciting things are happening with the Friends. The first thing you may notice is our new Newsletter format. We are switching our format based on member feedback. We hope that you like the new 3-column layout!! It should be easier on the eyes and allows us to get more information on the page – seems like everyone is a winner! Let us know what you think of the format at our January sale.

Web Page

Our next step will be to update the Friends webpage. We want to bring a fresh look to the page, add new features and make it the place our members go to obtain information about upcoming sales. If you have an interest in web design and have some time to spare, we'd love to have your input on this project.



We Need Your Input!!

Speaking of input, the Friends need member input at our annual meeting on April 13, 2015. The Friends face many challenges, the most difficult of which is how to continue to provide sales with a dwindling number of volunteers. We would like input from our members on such items as number of book sales per year, price of books in the Friends Room, should we continue to offer a 25¢ sale, monthly sales vs. quarterly sales, price of membership, type of items to include in a sale and many

other issues. We really need to hear from our members. If you are unable to attend the meeting and have something you would like to share, contact us at fompppl@gmail.com.

Facebook

The other area the Friends would like to address is social media. Right now we communicate with our members quarterly through the newsletter. We would like to be able to let our members know when we receive a special donation or have other exciting news to report in between the sales. Look for the Friends to establish a Facebook page and to start reaching out to members through social media. If you have an interest in social media and have the time to help, contact Pat Klawitter at fompppl@gmail.com. We would love help in this area.

Friends Evening Book Discussion Group

It's hard to believe that 25 Years have passed since the first Friends Evening Book Discussion. Since its start in January 1990 the group has read over 300 books!! The ages of the members range from the mid 20s to the mid 80s and everything in between. The one thing they have in common is a love of books! The group has been featured in several newspapers and in The Book Group Book by Ellen Slezak. Congratulations to Laura Luteri for 25 wonderful years.



Friends Evening Book Discussion

January 21, 2015

The Casual Vacancy, J.K. Rowling

When Barry Fairbrother dies in his early forties, the idyllic town of Pagford is left in shock, and the empty seat left by Barry on the parish council soon becomes the catalyst for the biggest war the town has yet seen.

February 18, 2015

Songs of Willow Frost, Jamie Ford

Confined to Seattle's Sacred Heart Orphanage during the Great Depression, a Chinese American boy William Eng becomes convinced that a certain movie actress is actually the mother he has not seen since he was seven years old.

March 18, 2015

Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother, Amy Chua

In a book that ignited a global parenting debate, the author chronicles her iron-willed decision to raise her daughters the Chinese way and the remarkable, sometimes heartbreaking, results her choice inspires.

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

Members Only Night	Friday	January 16, 2015	6:30 – 9:30
General Public	Saturday	January 17, 2015	9:00 – 4:30
General Public	Sunday	January 18, 2015	Noon – 4:00
Cook Book Sale	Saturday	February 7, 2015	10 am – 2 pm
Members Only Night	Friday	April 17, 2015	6:30 – 9:30
General Public	Saturday	April 18, 2015	9:00 – 4:30
General Public	Sunday	April 19, 2015	Noon – 4:00
South Branch	Saturday	May 9, 2015	11am – 2 pm
Members Only Night	Friday	July 17, 2015	6:30 – 9:30
General Public	Saturday	July 18, 2015	9:00 – 4:30
General Public	Sunday	July 19, 2015	Noon – 4:00
Members Only Night	Friday	October 16, 2015	6:30 – 9:30
General Public	Saturday	October 17, 2015	9:00 – 4:30
General Public	Sunday	October 18, 2015	Noon – 4:00
Kids & Holiday	Saturday	December 12, 2015	10 am – 2 pm