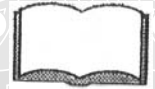




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SUMMER 2008

Heritage Days Book Sale June 27 & 28



Volunteers prepare for last year's sale.

The Heritage Days Book Sale is the most successful fundraiser of the Friends of the Macomb Public Library, and volunteer support is a major factor in that success. Past volunteers are on an active email call list, but anyone interested in helping is welcome. Many hands are needed to prepare for the sale, set up the tables, move books, and to stock and sell on June 27 and 28. Everyone is encouraged to participate in the Members Only Open House. It is a little work and a lot of fun. Contact Becky Parker to offer *your* support at 836-7206 or parkers@macomb.com.

Thursday, June 26, 4—6 p.m.—MEMBERS ONLY OPEN HOUSE & 1/2 PRICE SALE

We will continue with our tradition of having a MEMBERS ONLY open house where you can help put books out for display plus purchase books at half price. This is a lot of fun and is a chance to purchase books before the regular sale. A dozen books can be purchased at half-price. However, you can buy more at regular price. Of course, there is a hidden agenda. We will also work at getting the books out of boxes and on to the appropriate tables. Feel free to drop in all afternoon to help arrange books for the sale. In summary:

- Good-hearted volunteers bring cookies for the occasion.
- Lemonade is provided by the library.
- Feel free to drop in all afternoon to help display books for the sale.
- Avid readers and bargain hunters purchase book before they leave.

Friday & Saturday, June 27 & 28—HERITAGE DAYS BOOK SALE

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

1. **Sorting & Boxing Books** - should be nearly finished but feel free to email Becky to check on any needs.
2. **Putting up Tents** - Gil Belles is in charge. Wednesday, June 25, at 10 a.m. behind the library.
3. **Moving Books** - MANY volunteers needed. Boxes are small. Thursday, June 26, at noon, at Estes plant, 601 State St. Saturday, June 28 at 2:45 p.m. and at 4:30 p.m. behind the library.
4. **Putting books on display tables.** Thursday, June 26, most of the afternoon.
5. **Selling & straightening books** - Volunteers needed in 2 hour shifts on Friday and Saturday. You can sign up by emailing parkers@macomb.com OR sign up at the front desk of the library.

HERITAGE DAYS VOLUNTEER TIMES

FRIDAY, JUNE 27 (2 hour shifts to sell and straighten)

- 8– 9:30 A.M. - Finish setting up, move boxes
- 9:30 AM to noon
- Noon to 2 P.M.
- 2 P.M. to 4 P.M.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28 (2 hour shifts to sell and straighten)

- 8 to 10 AM
- 10 AM to noon

- Noon to 2 PM
- 2 to 4 PM Extra help needed at 2:45 to pack up Better Books
- 3 to 4:30 PM Bargain Book Sale
- 4 to 4:30 PM Finish Bargain Bag Sale and prepare to move books
- 4:30 to 5:30 PM Pack books and move leftovers back to Estes. The more people volunteering, the faster we can close shop. Some muscle needed here.

BOOK SALE SCHEDULE

AT-A-GLANCE

THURSDAY, JUNE 26:

Open House & Presale—MEMBERS ONLY

4:00 -6:00 PM Help display books browse, buy socialize

FRIDAY, JUNE 27:

8 AM-9:30 AM Prepare sale area

9:30 AM-4 PM Book Sale open to public

SATURDAY, JUNE 28:

8 AM-9 AM Prepare sale area

9 AM-4:30 PM Book Sale open to public

3 PM-4:30 PM Bargain Bag Sale

4:30-5:30 PM Pack and remove unsold books



Sales are brisk at the 2007 Heritage Days Book Sale

Note from the Presidents Desk

Hi! Let me introduce myself. My name is Mary Kiritsy and I am the new president of the Friends Board. I have been on the Friends Board for 2 years and in my other life I run the library at St. Paul School. I am originally from the east coast and have lived in Canada and Iowa City before moving to Macomb in 1995. My training is as a research dietitian, but my love is children's books, art books and cookbooks. My husband is Chris Merrett, the Director of the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs. We have two children, Gracie, a 7th grader at Macomb Jr. High and Ally, a fourth grader at St. Paul School.

I am sure like many of you I have a stack of books on the bedside table I long for the time to get to read. I look forward to our family getaways to the lake or the beach to whittle my stack down. However, I can't resist the urge to add to that pile when faced with nearly new books by the thousands that are being sold at the Heritage Day book sale. Please join me in the search for that next book that you just can't put down! And don't forget the special member discount on Thursday afternoon from 4 to 6 p.m. to get even better deals! Hope to see you there!

ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTED BY ALICE ROOSEVELT SPEAKER

The Friends held their Annual Meeting on April 10 at the Macomb Country Club. During the business portion of the evening, library director Dennis Danowski reported on the state budget crunch. The one bright spot is that Secretary of State Jesse White has made libraries his number one priority. Danowski presented Bill and Doris Burton with a Shining Star Award for their many contributions to the library. The FOMPL budget for 2008-2009 was approved. The slate of officers was presented

and accepted. The current officers and board members are:

Officers President: Mary Kiritsy; Vice President: Phil Weiss; Secretary: Becky Parker; Treasurer: Candy McLaughlin

Board Members Karen Proulx, Dick Vick, Kate Joswick, Arlene Harhen, Kent Harris, Gloria Hurh, David Self

After the business meeting, the group enjoyed an outstanding presentation by Dr. Stacy A. Cordery entitled "Alice: A Look Behind the Book."

Summer Fun at the Library

The library has events and reading programs sure to please every age group from pre-school to pre-teen. Here's a rundown of what the summer will bring:

June 2-July 31 - "Get in the Game" READ!

Two months of reading, crafts and activities with a baseball theme.

Among the activities:



Story Time—

Tuesdays & Thursday, 10-10:30 a.m., ages 5+ (some sessions are all ages)

Junior Book Club—

Mondays at 10:30 a.m., Thursdays at 3:30 p.m., ages 7-10

Craft Time—

Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m., Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Participation in Junior Book Club and Craft Time requires registration in advance.

The library is also participating in the Peoria Chiefs Summer Reading Program. The program is for everyone who is also signed up for the Macomb Public Library Reading Program. Get a chance to win a free ticket to a Chiefs' game and a prize.

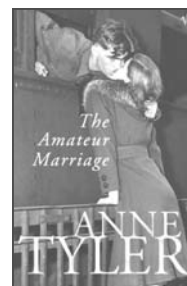
Call the library at 833-2714 for more details on any of these programs.

SUMMER HOURS

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| Monday | 9 a.m.—6 p.m. |
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| Wednesday | 9 a.m.—9 p.m. |
| Thursday | 9 a.m.—6 p.m. |
| Friday | 9 a.m.—9 p.m. |
| Saturday | 9 a.m.—6 p.m. |
| | Closed Sunday |

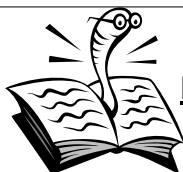
Reading Groups Schedule Summer Meeting

The Mystery Group and the Book Worms, adult reading groups sponsored by the Friends, plan a joint meeting on July 9 at 5:30 p.m. The



members, present and prospective, will gather at the home of Kim Cunningham and David Greathouse, 321 East Grant.

This is a potluck affair; participants should bring a dish to share and eating tools. A variety of beverages will be provided. After the meal the discussion of *The Amateur Marriage*, by Anne Tyler, will be led by Doris Burton.

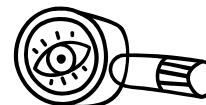


Book Worms Schedule for 2008-2009

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Author</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>Discussion leader</u> |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sept. 10 | Geraldine Brooks, | <i>March</i> | Becky Parker |
| Oct. 8 | Jon Hassler | <i>Staggerford</i> | Leslie Walker |
| Nov. 12 | Collete | <i>Claudine's House</i> | Lois Ganyard |
| No Meeting in December | | | |
| Jan. 14 | P. G. Wodehouse | <i>The Code of the Woosters</i> | Bill Burton |
| Feb. 11 | Sally Gunning | <i>The Widow's War</i> | Diana Allen |
| March 11 | Ian McEwan | <i>Amsterdam</i> | Martha Norcross |
| April 8 | Khaled Hosseini | <i>A Thousand Splendid Suns</i> | Bea Wehrly |
| May 13 | Evelyn Waugh | <i>Scoop</i> | Sterling Kernek |

Book Worms is an adult reading/discussion group sponsored by the Friends of the Macomb Public Library. From September through May (except for December) it meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Macomb Public Library. All interested readers are invited to attend. Read the scheduled book before the meeting and come prepared to discuss it. This is an organization with no dues, no officers, no by-laws and just one purpose—reading and discussing good books. At the March meeting members nominate books for the next year and vote on the nominees at the April meeting. All books are available at the Reserve Desk at the Library and can be ordered at the New Copperfields Book Service on the Macomb Square.

Mystery Book Club Schedule for 2008-2009



| <u>Date</u> | <u>Author</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>Discussion Leader</u> |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| August 27 | Mary Jane Clark | <i>Nowhere to Run</i> | Donna Sloan |
| September 24 | C. J. Box | <i>Free Fire</i> | Martha Norcross |
| October 22 | Peter Dickinson | <i>The Old English Peep Show</i> | Nancy Coney |
| November 19* | Barbara D'Amato | <i>Death of a Thousand Cuts</i> | Margene Weiss |
| No Meeting in December | | | |
| January 28 | Michael Chabon | <i>The Final Solution</i> | Bill Burton |
| February 25 | Peter Robinson | <i>In a Dry Season</i> | Charlie Mayer |
| March 25 | David Carkeet | <i>Double Negative</i> | Leslie Walker |
| April 22 | Lisa Scottoline | <i>Mistaken Identity</i> | Phil Weiss |
| May 27 | Aaron Elkins | <i>Unnatural Selection</i> | Diana Allen |

* Meeting is on third Wednesday rather than usual fourth Wednesday of the month.

Mystery Book club is an adult reading/discussion group sponsored by the Friends of the Macomb Public Library. From August to May (except for December) it meets the fourth Wednesday (except where noted) of each month at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the Macomb Public Library

All interested readers are invited to attend. It is more fun if you read the books ahead of time and come prepared to discuss them with friends.

Kate Joswick has revitalized the "What Are You Reading" program. To date, 25 reviewers have submitted their takes on a variety of literature. Reviews are published in the Macomb Journal and in the Eagle. After you finish reading your next book, fill out the form below and return it to the Macomb Public Library or to Kate.

What Are You Reading?

A project sponsored by the Friends of the Macomb Public Library District designed to encourage reading and book discussion in our community.
Submissions may be published in *The Bookmark*, the Friends' newsletter, or in area newspapers.

My Name: _____
Occupation (or, for Students, Grade Level) _____

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| Book Title: | |
| Author: | |
| Brief Summary of the Book: | |
| I Liked This Book Because... | |

Please return this form either to the Macomb Public Library front desk, to Kate Joswick, 1161 Debbie Lane, Macomb IL 61455, or submit your information by email to k-joswick@wiu.edu.

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