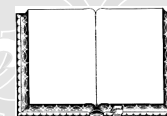


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Heritage Days Book Sale June 26 and 27



We are very excited about this year's ever popular book sale! Thousands of good-condition books and media will be for sale under six tents and in the Library Annex at 109 E. Jefferson St. The event will start with a preview sale – the Members Only Half Price Sale – on Thursday June 25. (See the box below for details.) Membership levels start at \$10, and forms for joining will be available at the preview sale. The sale will end with a bag sale from 3 to 4 pm on Saturday June 27. Please join us and promote our event as it is our most successful fund raiser for the Macomb Public Library.

VOLUNTEER HELP IS NEEDED!! Note changes.

This year's responsibilities will be shared by **Becky Parker**, in charge of preparations and publicity; **Elisa Rasmussen**, in charge of logistics and overseeing volunteers in setting up/taking down the sales; and **Margene Weiss** in charge of coordinating sales volunteers.

We need MANY people to help at various times because of the volume of books and the expanded use of the Annex where we will need an additional sales person. Check the schedule below and contact **Elisa** erasmussen@fabtimes.net for volunteering to prepare, set up/take down the sale and contact **Margene** mpweiss@macomb.com for volunteering to work the sales table or restock/straighten books during the sales. ALL volunteers will meet at the Annex, 109 E. Jefferson.

Wed., June 24,:

10 a.m. Putting up tents, moving tables.

Gil Belles & Elisa are in charge.

Thurs., June 25:

2 to 4 p.m. Prepare boxes of books for display in subject areas.

Member volunteers can select books for the 4-6 p.m. Members Only 1/2 price sale.

6 p.m. Close tents after the sale.

Fri., June 26:

8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Prepare the tents and books for sale.

Sales and stocking/straightening books are needed in 2 hour blocks

8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Noon to 2 p.m.

10 a.m. to Noon 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Sat. June 27:

8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Prepare the tents and books for sale.

Sales and stocking/straightening books are needed in 2 hour blocks

8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Noon to 2 p.m.

10 a.m. to Noon 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

EXTRA HELP is needed from 4-5 p.m. to return books to the Annex.

BOOK SALE SCHEDULE

AT-A-GLANCE

THURSDAY, JUNE 25:

The Annex, 109 E. Jefferson St.

2 PM-4 PM

Help in setting
books out for sale

4 PM-6 PM

Members Only Open
House, 1/2 price sale

FRIDAY, JUNE 26:

8 AM-9 AM

Prepare sale area

9 AM-4 PM

Book Sale open to
public

SATURDAY, JUNE 27:

8 AM-9 AM

Prepare sale area

9 AM-4 PM

Book Sale open to
public

3 PM-4 PM

Bag Sale

4 PM-5 PM

Pack & remove books



FOMPL board president Paula Wise found plenty of good reading at last year's sale.



YOU ARE INVITED!!!

Thursday, June 25, 4-6 p.m. • Members Only: 1/2 PRICE SALE & OPEN HOUSE

Meet fellow Friends of the Library Members and share recommendations for good books as you get a pre-sale look at the merchandise, 4 to 6 p.m. Your membership allows you a dozen books at half price and as many other books after that at full price. Don't forget to check out the adjacent Annex building as it will house oversize books, book sets and media. Plus, there will be cookies donated by members and lemonade provided by the library. This is fun and a super deal. If you're not already a member, this is a great time to join.

President's Report

An item shared on Facebook recently, defined the term "abibliotherapy" as "fear of running out of things to read." Although this particular phobia never came up in my psychology training, I can certainly understand it. After all, I am always loading items onto my Kindle in fear of being somewhere and having finished all the books I already have downloaded.

If you suffer from abibliophobia, make sure you come to the Friends of the Macomb Public Library book sale during Heritage Days at the end of June. When you see the number of books and the wide range of genres and subjects available you may begin to suffer from the frequently-heard phrase "so many books, so little time" instead.

After spending many hours over the past few years sorting donated books, it occurred to me that there must be books published on almost every imaginable topic. I challenge each of you to think of a subject, do an on-line search, and not come up with at least one volume on that very subject.

If you have time, stop by our sale or better yet volunteer to help at the sale in some capacity. You will be more than welcomed!!

- Paula Wise

Speaker Larry Balsamo Featured at FOMPL 22nd Annual Meeting

Approximately 55 people attended the Friends of the Macomb Public Library (FOMPL) Annual Dinner April 16 at the Macomb Country Club. A social hour was followed by a brief business meeting. President Paula Wise called the meeting to order and introduced the current FOMPL Board Members, the Macomb Public Library Board members, and Director of the Library Dennis Danowski.

Danowski gave an update on the status of the current library construction with the goal of hosting a "soft opening" during Heritage Days this year. Wise recognized the benefactors and indicated we currently have 139 memberships. Appreciation was expressed for the continued membership support; for Karen Proulx, the editor of our newsletter; and for the book sales core crew of Sam and Becky Parker, Elisa Rasmussen, Phil and Margene Weiss, and Karen Proulx. President Wise's annual report highlighted some of our activities during the year noting the book sales took in more than \$10,000 for the 8th year in a row. Our largest expenditure was a \$15,000 contribution towards the purchase of the empty

lot next to the Library Annex. This year we also supported the YMCA Little Free Library effort, continued with our two book clubs, provided weekly reviews of books in the Voice, kept stocking our free books at the train station, donated paperbacks to the county jail, gave gifts to the Library staff, and supported the year round programming for the children's library including the very popular summer reading program. Most recently, we have started giving away books in a plastic, covered tub in front of the Library Annex.

Under new business, the slate for nominees to the board through 2017 was approved unanimously. Members who were renewed were Laura Egler, Kate Joswick, Becky Parker, Karen Proulx, and Paula Wise.

After the business meeting and dinner approximately 25 additional people joined the group for the 7 p.m. program by Dr. Larry Balsamo "The Impact of the Civil War 150 Years Later."

- Laura Egler & Becky Parker

Elisa Rasmussen Named Co-Chair of Book Sales

Becky Parker is happy to announce Elisa Rasmussen will join her as Co-Chair/Coordinator for the popular Friends of the Library's book sales.

Elisa is a familiar face to many as she has been active in all phases of the various book sales for the last 7 years. Her specialty is in organization – mapping and planning the layout of books and media under five tents and in the Library Annex for Heritage Days and in Chandler Park for the Better Books Sale. She has developed an inventory of how many boxes of books are in the various subject

areas, noting what sells. The last two years her garage has been taken over as a storage place for unsold books, tents, and supplies while the library has been under construction. As a bonus, Elisa has a Library Science degree, knows our collection, and has great customer relations skills.

This Heritage Days Elisa will be the primary onsite coordinator. Becky will share with planning, publicizing, and soliciting volunteers. More information is posted in the "Call for Volunteers" on the front page of this newsletter.



Great Reads Schedule for 2015-2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Discussion leader</u>
July 29 (Pot Luck with the Mystery Book Club at Kim Cunningham's, 321 E. Grant. Bring your table service and a dish to share.)	Stewart, David O.	<i>The Lincoln Deception</i>	Alice Robertson
Sept. 9	Moriarty, Laura	<i>The Chaperone</i>	Martha Norcross
Oct. 14	King, Lily	<i>Euphoria</i>	Marian Swisher
Nov. 4	Benjamin, Melanie	<i>The Aviator's Wife</i>	Becky Parker
December: Joint Meeting with the Mystery Book Club, details TBA			
Jan. 13	Tobar, Hector	<i>Deep Down Dark</i>	Gloria Hurh
Feb. 10	Boyne, John	<i>The House of Special Purpose</i>	Discussion Leader TBA
Mar. 9	Bryson, Bill	<i>The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid: A Memoir</i>	Lois Ganyard
Apr. 13	Doerr, Anthony	<i>All the Light We Cannot See</i>	Polly Upton
May 11	Manning, Kate	<i>My Notorious Life</i>	Kim Cunningham

Great Reads 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. Books are available at the Library, through inter-library loan or can be ordered from New Copperfield's.

Mystery Book Club Schedule for 2015-2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Discussion Leader</u>
July 29 (Pot Luck with Great Reads Book Club at Kim Cunningham's, 321 E. Grant. Bring your table service and a dish to share.)	Stewart, David O.	<i>The Lincoln Deception</i>	Alice Robertson
Aug. 26	Barnard, Robert	<i>A Murder in Mayfair</i>	Phil Weiss
Sept. 23	Grimes, Martha	<i>The Man with a Load of Mischief</i>	Sue Zendt
Oct. 28	Walker, Martin	<i>Black Diamond</i>	Lois Ganyard
Nov. 18*	French, Tana	<i>In The Woods</i>	Mel Kerr
December Holiday Party TBA—joint meeting with Great Reads			
Jan. 27	Hirahara, Naomi	<i>Blood Hina</i>	Nancy Coney
Feb. 24	Rosenfelt, David	<i>New Tricks</i>	Polly Upton
Mar. 23	Kerr, Philip	<i>March Violets</i>	Judy Kerr
Apr. 27	Rinehart, Mary Roberts	<i>Circular Staircase</i>	Bill Burton
May 25	Hamilton, Steve	<i>North of Nowhere</i>	Margene Weiss

The Friends of the Library Mystery Book Club meets from 7-8 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month (*except November). It is a discussion group of reading adults who read the books ahead of time and come to share views. A member serves as a discussion leader. There are no dues, just conversation and occasional treats. Books are available from New Copperfield's and the library. New members are welcome at any meeting.

Friends' Board Elects Officers for 2015-2016

At its May 4 meeting, the Friends of the Macomb Public Library Board elected officers for 2015-2016. The slate of President—Paula Wise, Vice President—Phil Weiss, Secretary—Candace McLaughlin and Treasurer—Arlene Harhen was unanimously approved.

Is YOUR Membership Current?

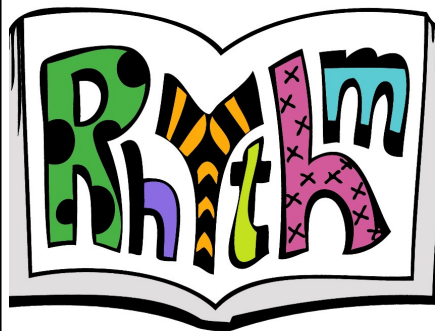
A new FOMPL membership year began April 30. If you haven't renewed yet, do it NOW so you don't miss out on one of the greatest perks of being a Friend—first pick of the Heritage Days Sale books at the Members Only Open House and 1/2 price sale on Thursday, June 25. If you're unsure of your membership status, contact David Self at davself@gmail.com.

Friends of the Macomb Public Library 2015-2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PresidentPaula Wise
Vice PresidentPhil Weiss
SecretaryCandace McLaughlin
TreasurerArlene Harhen
Board Members:
Laura Egler • Gloria Hurh • Kate Joswick • Becky Parker • Karen Proulx
David Self • Richard Vick

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Read to the



Summer Reading Program June 29 - August 15

Weekly Activities

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 am • June 29 - August 15

Special Events

Little Lunchers - June 11, July 2 & July 23 - Noon - Chandler Park Gazebo

A story by Macomb Public Library & lunch catered by a local business

Carnival Day! - Tues., July 14 - 10:00 am - The field next to the Library Annex

- * Furry Friends petting zoo
- * Rick Brammer's balloon animals
- * Face painting with Miss Margaret

Forest Park Nature Center - Monday, July 16, 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.,
Macomb Public Library

This Peoria Park District program will introduce you to the rhythm of the forest.

Summer Reading Program Requirements vary according to age

Summer Reading Program guidelines for each age group are available at the library. Participants who complete the program will receive: a certificate of achievement; a book compliments of the Macomb Kiwanis Club & the Macomb Public Library; a coupon to Pizza Hut; a ticket to a Peoria Chiefs game; AND . . .

An invitation to the finishers' party at Glenwood Poll on Sunday, August 16!



Check with the Children's Library for more information on all events.