

FRIENDS

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FRIENDS BOOK SALE BIG SUCCESS

Despite the cold and pouring rain, the 11th Annual Book Sale brought approximately 450 customers to the library on February 20 and 21.

Proceeds from the sale will be used, as always, to help finance programs, projects and materials for Kirk Bear Canyon Library and projects within the community which promote learning and libraries.

Robbie Willingham, book sale coordinator, assembled a strong force to transport the books from the book barn to the library and set up for the sale. These included members of the Friends Board and their spouses, the Fowler family with their famous truck, and Library Manager Margaret Wilkie and her ever helpful staff.

We are especially grateful to the merchants and organizations who helped advertise the sale. These include the following:

Ace Hardware
Bear Canyon Mail Depot
Child's Dream Learning Center
Fortunato's Deli
Jamba Juice
La Petite Academy
Pima County Sheriff's Dept
Sertino's Café
Tucson Cleaners
Velvet Bow Pet Grooming

Arizona Dance Studio
Bear Canyon Pet Clinic
Curves
Irish Pub
Karate School on TV
Le Buzz
Queen Nails by Mindy
Southampton Café
Udall Center
Viv's Café

Bear Canyon Dairy Queen
Bruegger's Bagel Bakery
Dollar Tree
Jack Furrier's Tires
Kelley's Special Touch Hair Design
Mayfield Florist
Risky Business
UPS Store
Tucson Green and Farmers Market
Tanque Verde Cleaners



And a special "Thank You" to Safeway for handing out our flyers to their customers.

These annual book sales would not be possible without the generosity of so many people who donate their 'bearly read' books to the library. These books are first considered for use in the library collection and then turned over to the Friends for the book cart or our annual sale. **MANY THANKS!**

FOUNDING BOARD MEMBER RESIGNS

Margaret Fowler has served on the FKBCCL Board almost continuously since its inception to the present.

Her initial efforts with the Local Neighborhood Association pushed for the library's present location and urged additional space for future expansion.

Margaret was elected to the first Board of Directors and will continue to support our activities.

The Board sadly accepted her decision to resign and wishes her well as she continues to master jigsaw puzzles.

The FKBCCL welcomes our newest Board member, Jane Sanders. Jane brings many years of experience in community organizations and volunteer activities. Her duties will include being a liaison with the Book Club.

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Branch Manager

Margaret Wilke

Visit the Friends on the web at: www.fkbcl.org

Hours

Monday	10am-8pm
Tuesday	10am-8pm
Wednesday	10am-8pm
Thursday	10am-8pm
Friday	10am-5pm
Saturday	9am-5pm
Sunday	1pm-5pm

NEW LIBRARY STAFF

Mira Domsy and Rachel Hawes have recently joined the Bear Canyon Library staff.

Mira is from Tempe and moved to Tucson to earn a Bachelor's degree in Creative Writing and a Masters in Information Resources and Library Science from the University of Arizona. She holds a second degree blackbelt in American Taekwondo. She presently is on the author committee for the Tucson Festival of Books and also volunteers for the local Science Fiction Convention. She has worked for PCPL for almost 4 years.

Rachel is a graduate student in the Information Resources and Library Science Program at the University of Arizona. Previously she has worked as a youth director and most recently as a stay-at-home Mom to Katie and Finn. She holds a Master of Arts in Teaching Secondary English from American University and a B.A. in English and Theatre from McGill University. Rachel loves hiking, camping and traveling. She is looking forward to working as a librarian when she completes her degree.

“MEET LOTTA GOODREADS”

Lotta Goodreads is the new life size doll you may have noticed at the library. The contest to name her generated 129 entries. From the 9 top names submitted, Lotta was the name chosen. The Friends presented a gift certificate from Mostly Books to winner Marti Hanna.

Lotta will be found in various locations throughout the library along with books you may want to read.

HELP NEEDED

The Friends are in dire need of a new 'book barn'. If you can help us, please call Robbie Willingham at 760-8257.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The past year was a productive year for the Friends

A permanent Art Gallery has been installed along the ramp to the lower level of the library. The exhibitions feature works of established local artists and are changed monthly.

A life-size “library lady”, designed by English Gardens, has joined the library staff. She will be found in various areas of the library and will feature suggested books.

The Bear Canyon Friends hosted the “Annual Friends Helping Friends” Workshop for other Friends groups in Pima County. About 25 attendees discussed problems and solutions for helping promote our local libraries and staff.

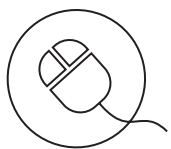
For the past 10 years, the Friends have sponsored a monthly Book Club and provided printed book marks available to all library patrons.

Three scholarships were allocated in memory of

Judy Larimore, Bear Canyon’s beloved Circulation Manager, who passed away during the year. One scholarship is for graduate studies in the School of Information Resources and Library Science at the University of Arizona. Two are for Pima Community College, one designated for general students and the other for former “Youth On Their Own” students.

The Friends provided funding for numerous children, adult and teen’s craft programs; a holiday puppet show; a party and gifts for the summer teen volunteers; and a “thank you” dinner for the library staff and adult volunteers.

And last, but definitely appreciated, the library break room now has a coat rack and staff and volunteers have bright blue aprons to wear as they go about their work.



REMINDER

Friends newsletters and announcements are available electronically. If you would like to be included, please e-mail your request to friendskbccl@gmail.com.

SIT AND KNIT

The group meets every Tuesday morning from 10 to 11:30. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, join the Sit and Knit group at the library.

Come and share your projects and problems.



Good Reads Not on the Best Seller List

“Goodnight Nebraska” Tom Mc Neal
“The Desert is No Lady” Katie Lee
“Middlesex” Jeffrey Eugenides
“Stickeen” John Muir
“Over the Edge of the World” Laurence Bergreen
“Temptation” Anita Shreve

“Singing With the Top Down” Debrah Williams
“The Assault” Harry Mulisch
“The Handmaid’s Tale” by Margaret Atwood is the March selection for the Kirk Bear Canyon Library (Book Group.)

The Book Group is another great place to engage in lively discussions about books and learn what other people are reading. The meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 1pm.

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