

Focus on Friends

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Shelves sparkle with book bargains

The Summer Book Sale dates are Monday, July 4, 2011 and Tuesday, July 5, 2011. Members-only hours start at 9:00 a.m. on Monday. Bring your card (we'll also have lists of members) or buy a new membership at the door. We open to the general public at 10:00 a.m. Parking will be tight because of the Pet Parade at 11:00 a.m. We will reserve some spaces on the side of the annex for book pick up.

Since Tuesday is a workday for some people, the Bag Sale will run from **5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 5.**

The location for the sale is in the Library Administration Building next to the Bend Downtown Library parking lot on Wall Street. Look for signs on the day of the sale.

We have received over 400 boxes of gently-used treasures in a vast array of genres: history, politics, crafts, home repair, philosophy, religion, Judaic, education, sociology, anthropology, psychology, parenting, women's studies, biography, mystery, science, mathematics, science fiction,

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Be sure to check the outside tables for 25-cent bargains!



President's Message

By Meredith Shadrach

FINALLY, SUMMER, AND ABOUT TIME! As I make this remark, the book-lover part of my brain is chiding me, because with all the bad weather this past winter and spring I read a lot of books. I'm guessing so did the hundreds of people who attended the FOBL book sales in January and April, snapping up bargains to enjoy at home. Now we can read those novels, travel adventures, and bios out on the patio or in a park, getting our Vitamin D from the sun instead of a tablet.

Our volunteers will be pressed into evening action for the first time on July 5. Our Bag Sale will be held from 5:00-8:00 p.m. rather than the usual afternoon hours. Since the 5th is a working Tuesday for most people, we wanted to see if shoppers preferred an evening

sale. At \$4 per plastic bag (\$5 per tote), it is well-worth putting off your dinner preparations to stop by. You'll save so much money at our sale you can go out to eat!

It's a good thing our volunteer list is long, because we have all-day events to staff on both July 4th and 9th. The Book Sale (adjacent to the Pet Parade) is our Independence Day tradition, followed by the First Annual Sagebrush Community Challenge on Saturday, July 9th.

Please come by and see us at both events. Tell our volunteers why you love our libraries and remember, the Friends supports **both** branches: East and Downtown.

Enjoy your summer reading. I know I will!!



Calendar

July 4	9 am for members	FOBL Book Sale
July 5	5 to 8 pm	FOBL Bag Sale
July 9		Sagebrush Community Challenge
August 13		Summer reading programs end
August 15		Last day to donate to the Sagebrush Challenge
October 1 & 2		FOBL Fall Book Sale



Book sale

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Summer Sale Highlights

popular fiction, classics, true crime and westerns.

Here are some examples of our best selections:

- There are over 40 rare or out-of-print books displayed on the front wall.
- Tables outside will be full of VHS tapes and audiotape books for the low price of \$0.25 each. These are books and movies that are hard to find like PBS and History Channel programs and older classic movies and books. There are also many romance books. Over 1000 items will be for sale outside for only \$0.25.
- The library donated a large selection of science books, including astronomy, natural science and mathematics.
- Fill in your mystery collection with favorite authors. Old and new titles are available from David Baldacci, Dan Brown, Tom Clancy, Mary Higgins Clark, Patricia Cornwell, Michael Crichton, Clive Cussler, Nelson DeMille, Sue Grafton, W.E.B. Griffin, John Grisham, Jack Higgins, Iris Johansen, John MacDonald, Ed McBain, Jonathan Kellerman, James Patterson, J. D. Robb, Scott Turow, Joseph Wambaugh, and others. Our specials section contains mysteries published in 2009 and 2010.
- A large number of LP records were donated. We have twenty Mozart boxed sets. Each box has five records in mint condition. We also have many recently donated records of rock, classical and folk music.
- The Music CD section is overflowing with donated rock and classic CD's.
- We have hundreds of teen books from the library in excellent condition.
- The library donated many reference books that are in excellent condition. If you want reference books on law, violence, military history, religion, names and many more subjects, stop and take a look. These will be sold in sets at a low price.
- The novel section is alive with recent releases from best-selling authors. Many of these books are currently on sale on Amazon for over \$12. Our prices are \$2 or less. Examples are Sara Gruen, Stieg Larsson, Kathryn Stockett, and many more.
- Our sports section is full of baseball, hunting, fishing and hiking books.

If you have questions call FOBL Book Sale Chairman, Rob Byrd 541-389-1622.

See you there!



Sagebrush Community Challenge

By Christine Deems



We are so excited to be a part of the Sagebrush Community Challenge this year. As one of the nonprofits eligible to receive money from the Match Fund, for every dollar donated directly to Friends of the Bend Libraries through Sagebrush, a percentage will be matched. This can increase your donation by up to 50%! Donations can be made now until August 15th, 2011. Go to sagebrush.org/ for more information and to donate online. You can also donate by looking for the official donation form at the new

East Bend Library Branch and in the Friendshop at the Downtown Library, as well as local banks and businesses or use the one attached to this newsletter. Be sure to write "Friends of the Bend Libraries" on the **nonprofit** line so that the donation is credited correctly.

Please stop by and visit the Friends of the Bend Libraries booth on July 9th in downtown Bend during the Sagebrush Community Challenge in conjunction with the Bend Summer Festival. To find us, just look for the Book Buggy. We will be raffling copies of *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett that include tickets to see the upcoming movie!

FOBL donates to summer reading program

Your Friends group has come through for one of the most important library programs of the year: we have donated to both the teen and adult summer reading programs. When your teenagers bring home a free book prize for reading three hours, you'll know who bought them. The book prizes given to adult readers also come from FOBL. We also paid for the biggest prizes: four NOOK Color eReaders. There will be two winners Downtown and two at the East Branch. Be sure to take part in the bingo game for adults that involves both reading and library activities, then enter the NOOK drawing!

These programs are available at all DPL branches, but FOBL contributed to the offerings for both Bend branches. Enjoy your summer reading and take advantage of all the cool programs and prizes available.

See www.deschuteslibrary.org/calendar for details, or the red *Event Guide* in any branch. Remember, your donations to the Friends help library users of **all** ages.



Calling World Travelers to the Friendshop

Make the Friendshop your port-of-call to prepare for the Summer Reading Program themes. There are puppets, stickers, and blow-up globes that support the children's summer reading theme, *One World, Many Stories*. The awesome fold-out guides to the stars, first aid, and wildlife are for the teen program, *You are Here*. Tons of gently-used books are perfect for travel and fit right into the summer adult reading program, *Novel Destinations*. Remember, paperbacks are only 50 cents.

We have a terrific crew of volunteers, and will definitely be open on Sagebrush Saturday ,July

9, from 12:00- 4:00 p.m. If you have some hours to spare over the summer, consider becoming a Friendshop cashier. It is a great place to spend three hours in the air-conditioned comfort of our little retail store. And you just might get some reading in, or perhaps a crossword or some knitting. Call 541-617-7047 for more information.

Insider Information: Keep your eyes open when you visit the East Branch. We hope to begin selling our Friendshop quality used books later this summer. FOBL bargains will be at both branches!



The Friendshop has a great selection of gently-used books that are perfect for travel and fit right into the summer adult reading program.



Donate used books to FOBL

As you are cleaning out bookshelves and closets this summer, please remember FOBL when it comes to getting rid of your used books. When FOBL sells your books, all of the proceeds support the two Bend libraries with funding for special projects.

Besides books, we also accept vinyl records, CD's, DVD's, and sheet music. FOBL does not accept damaged or dirty items, magazines, newspapers, puzzles,

games, toys, textbooks, or catalogs. Fewer than ten items can be left at the front desk of the Downtown Branch. Larger donations can be brought to the delivery door on the west side of the Downtown Bend Library Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please call Rob at 541-389-1622 or email robertbyrd@bendbroadband.com

About FOBL

The Friends of the Bend Libraries is a non-profit organization that supports, enhances, and promotes the Bend Branches of the Deschutes Public Library District. Fundraising projects include quarterly book sales, revenue from the Friendship in the Downtown Bend Library lobby, income from the FOBL membership dues, and projects for special library related causes. It has funded projects such as purchasing workstations for the handicapped in the Downtown Branch, buying furniture and shelving for East Bend, assisting with children's and young adult programming, and organizing and hanging quarterly art exhibits.

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Questions? Please leave a message on the Friendship phone (541-617-7047) and a volunteer will return your call within a few days.

