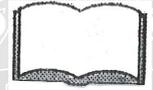




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Volunteers Needed for Sept. 29 Book Sale

This year's Better Book Sale will be held with the **Gazebo Art and Al Sears Jazz Festival** in Chandler Park, Saturday, September 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The sale is a lot of fun to work and much easier than the Heritage Days Sale. We need EXTRA help at the beginning and ending of the sale. In case of heavy rain, we might reschedule for the next Saturday at the Annex.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES are:

- 7:45 a.m. (At the Annex, 109 E. Jefferson) Moving crew for one tent, tables, loading trucks
- 8:00 a.m. to 10 a.m. — set up book display with one hour of sales, Chandler Park.
- 10:00 a.m. to noon — straighten and sell
- Noon to 2:00 p.m. — straighten and sell.
- 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. — straighten and sell.
- 4:00 p.m. EXTRA help is needed to box and move the books to a storage facility.

Please email Becky at parkers@macomb.com or call 836-7206 if you can help at any of the times. Further instructions will be given to all who volunteer.

We encourage everyone to please come and buy!!! There are a lot of great bargains which would make good Christmas gifts!

- Becky Parker, Sales Coordinator



Business was brisk at last year's Better Book Sale

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The one-day Better Book Sale needs volunteers. Shifts are:

- **7:45 a.m.**
Volunteers with a truck, van or station wagon needed to transport books from library.
- **8 a.m. to 10 a.m.**
Selling starts at 9 a.m. but setting up takes extra hands.
- **10 a.m. to noon**
Selling, straightening, membership table.
- **Noon to 2 p.m.**
Selling, straightening, membership table.
- **2 p.m. to 4 p.m.**
Selling, straightening, membership table
- **4 p.m.**
Workers are needed to box books and clean up our space.

To volunteer, sign up at the Library Desk or email Becky Parker at: parkers@macomb.com.

Friends Purchase Additional eBooks for Macomb Library Patrons



Have you checked out the ebooks and online audiobooks in the Alliance Digital Media Library (<http://alliance.lib.overdrive.com/>) lately? In addition to the monthly new titles shared by all the libraries in the cooperative group, the Macomb Public Library has also started adding titles that are only available to Macomb patrons. (Special thanks to the Friends for funding this new service!) Titles added for Macomb library card holders include extra copies of titles with long waiting lists (such as *The Night Circus* and

Gone Girl), ebook versions of Friends Book Club titles (such as *A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains* and *The Last Detective*), and a variety of other titles that have otherwise not been purchased for the shared group (including *The Associate* and *The Expats*). Be sure to log in with your library card number and PIN before searching or browsing in the Alliance Digital Media Library – because these titles are only for Macomb Public Library card holders, you will not see them in your search results unless you have logged in.

Heritage Days Book Sale a Record-Breaker!

Once again, the two day Heritage Days Book Sale attracted hundreds of people who were eager to purchase good quality books at bargain prices. This year we sold \$8,910 of books and media. This astonishing amount broke last year's all time high record by \$1,100.

Included in the sale amount was a very successful Members-Only Preview Sale on Thursday where members could purchase a dozen books at half price. Thanks again to the many volunteers who participated in making the book sale a huge success. It was fun!

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

The goals and ideals that inspired the City Council to create the Macomb Public Library in 1882 are still alive and well in our town. As our forefathers intended, residents can still check out books, read newspapers and magazines, consult reference material, attend programs, and request assistance from the library staff, all at no charge. The difficulty is that library materials have changed significantly in the more than one hundred years since the library was founded. Books are no longer the sole medium available at the library as they were in the late 1800s and early 1900s; today the library also offers an online catalog, research databases, internet access, electronic books, DVDs, historic microfilm, and audio books. Adapting a 19th century building to meet the needs in the 21st century has strained the current building to a breaking point.

This month, the Board of Trustees will announce the

beginning of a capital campaign to raise money to expand the library building and to modernize its facilities. An improved library will enrich not just those of us who



align ourselves with the library through the Friends organization, but everyone in our community. I hope that you all will join me in supporting the capital campaign with your time and your money. Give generously and encourage your colleagues, coworkers, and friends to give generously also. Volunteer to serve as the campaign's spokesperson in your neighborhood, your workplace, your church. Together, we can create the public library that Macomb deserves, for now and for decades to come.

Kate Joswick, President
Friends of the Library

Summer Reading Program Deliciously Successful



"Reading is so Delicious!" was this summer's theme. The program ran from June 1 – July 31, kicking off the

first day with free popcorn for kids who came in to sign up. 402 children enrolled. Kids were required to read 15 books from the library by July 31. 225 kids finished the reading requirements, and each child was awarded a certificate, pizza coupon and a free paperback of their choice.

A party was held at Glenwood Pool for all finishers and their parents. 180 children and parents attended the swimming party. Hot dogs, popcorn and icee pops were served.

Craft sessions were held at the library twice a week. We held 22 craft sessions during June and July. 211 children attended the weekly

craft activities.

Special Programs:

Chef-of- the Week - Chefs included Hy-Vee, County Market, Iron Chef Nathan Redman from WIU, Fudge/ Floral and Larry A's; 154 children reserved spots for this popular program.

Edible Book Contest - Another fun project! We only had 10 kids enter, but it was still lots of fun. Brooke Baker, Zach Polley and Hannah Puccini were winners. Judges were Dan Livermore and Lisa Ward.

Special guests included Jesus Rios with his Mr. Illusion Magic Show. 150 kids attended this program. HE WAS GREAT! Funny, had the kids laughing and joining in! IT WAS GREAT!

Nancy Brown of Oakridge Zoo brought a variety of animals to show to the kids. There were 2 shows and 200 kids attended this

program.

Special Storytime visitors included Mayor Mike Inman, Miss Macomb, Darcie Shinberger, Dr. Don Dexter, Alene Reuschel, Rusty Milhouse, Anne Dixon, Margaret Harn and Sondra Mosley.

The kids all enjoyed the special readers, and Miss Margaret and staff planned activities around the stories that were read. We did **Bread and Jam for Frances** and had toast and jam. Another fun one was **Curious George**. We served bananas and colored a coloring sheet of Miss Chiquita banana. We had very big groups of kids for these fun activities.

It was a great summer, and we had a lot of fun with the theme. Thanks again to the Friends for their support!

- Margaret Sowers

Great Reads Schedule for 2012-2013

<u>Date</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Discussion leader</u>
Sept. 12	Bird, Isabella	<i>A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains</i>	Nancy Coney
Oct. 10	Dilloway, Margaret	<i>How to Be an American Housewife</i>	Gloria Hurh
Nov. 14	Neeley, Bill	<i>The Last Comanche Chief</i>	Leslie Walker
Dec. 12	Holiday Party—TBA		
Jan. 9	McClain, Paula	<i>The Paris Wife</i>	Sandy Shearer
Feb. 13	Skloot, Rebecca	<i>The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks</i>	Kim Cunningham
Mar. 13	Patchett, Ann	<i>State of Wonder</i>	Becky Parker
Apr. 10	Wilkerson, Isabel	<i>The Warmth of Other Suns</i>	Sterling Kernak
May 8	Woolf, Virginia	<i>To the Lighthouse</i>	Christie Davis

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. in the meeting room of the Library. In the spring the members choose the books for the next year. Books are on Reserve at the main desk of the Library or can be ordered from New Copperfield's.

Mystery Book Club Schedule for 2012-2013

<u>Date</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Discussion Leader</u>
Sept. 26	Murphy, J.J.	<i>Murder Your Darlings</i>	Martha Norcross
Oct. 24	Lovesey, Peter	<i>The Last Detective</i>	Lois Ganyard
Nov. 28*	Penman, Sharon Kay	<i>The Queen's Man</i>	Margene Weiss
No Meeting in December			
Jan. 23	Burke, James Lee	<i>In the Electric Mist with Confederate Dead</i>	Nancy Coney
Feb. 27	Highsmith, Patricia	<i>A Dog's Ransom</i>	Phil Weiss
Mar. 27	Franklin, Tom	<i>Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter</i>	Alice Robertson
Apr. 24	Daly, Elizabeth	<i>Murders in Volume 2</i>	Bill Burton
May 22	Barnard, Robert	<i>Unholy Dying</i>	Doris Burton

The Mystery Book Club meets in the Macomb Public Library 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. The summer meeting is a joining of the two Friends of the Library Reading groups, Mystery and Good Reads, for a potluck supper and discussion. Each spring the group selects books for the next year's reading list.

Books and Media Donations

Our book sale has been fortunate to have so many people donate good quality books, paperbacks, CDs, and DVDs. We want to thank you for your contribution and remind you that we accept donations all year long. Just take your donations to the library circulation desk or email/call us to pick up any large volume donation which you can't get to the library. Please do not donate magazines, encyclopedias, outdated medical and financial books, etc. We do accept antique/vintage books as we have an "Old Treasures" section in the sale. Thank you!

Becky Parker, Book Sale Coordinator 836-7206, parkers@macomb.com

**Mark Your Calendars!
Members-Only Book Sales**

**December 1—Non-Fiction,
History, Children's Books**
10 am—1 pm

January 26—Mysteries & Novels
1 pm to 3:30 pm

Both sales to be held at the Library
Annex, 109 E. Jefferson. New
members can join on sale day.



Friends of the Library 2012 Heritage Days Book Sale

