

# FRIENDS OF THE Duluth Public LIBRARY

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The Friends of the Duluth Public Library have a new email address: [friendsofdpl520@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofdpl520@gmail.com)

In January the Mount Royal Market chose us for their "Round Up At The Till" program. Thank you to them as well as to the many shoppers who gave at checkout to sponsor our organization. They took in \$4,322.17 at their registers.

We gave the Library \$10,000 in February. Thank you everyone for helping to

make this happen - through last year's book sales, through your memberships, through your donations. Thank you.

Welcome to new Board member Rose Drewes. She joined us in March.

We will hold our **annual meeting** on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at 4:00pm, in the green room at the Main Library. Please check the Friends website ([friendsofdpl.com](http://friendsofdpl.com)) closer to the date of the event in case we have to have it via zoom rather than in-house. If we have to hold it online and you are interested in attending, reach out to us via the Friends email ([friendsofdpl520@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofdpl520@gmail.com)). We will send you the zoom link. We will introduce the Board, present a year in review, hold a short business meeting, and enjoy refreshments and the opportunity to see each other in person and visit.

In June we plan on holding our 4-day annual book sale; an event we weren't able to do the previous two years. There is more information - the poster and volunteer sign up form - about the sale included in the newsletter.

Thank you for your support of the Friends of the Duluth Public Library.

Marcia K. Semerau, President



# Carla's Corner

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After a two-year pandemic hiatus, we at DPL are excited for the return of the annual book sale this year. As I write this, dedicated volunteers are sorting through stacks of donations. They are organizing books by topic or genre and pulling out "the best of the best" to be sold in the Gold Room. This time of year, as the inventory grows, you can find a box of book sale books stashed away in just about any closet or unused corner in the library. Before long it will be time to set up shelves, unpack boxes, staff the cash drawers, and open the doors to crowds of people who are anxiously awaiting the return of this event.

The annual book sale is the most important fundraiser that the Friends of the Library sponsor. It raises tens of thousands of dollars for the Duluth Public Library. Library staff uses this money to buy giveaway books for children who complete their summer reading goals, supplies for craft programs at all three locations, a subscription to Zoom for virtual events such as our online book club, and more. Without support from the Friends, these programs and special giveaways would not be possible.

Whatever it is that brings you to the book sale – whether it's the bargains, the idea of purchasing recycled items rather than new, or an opportunity to contribute to a great local cause – your support helps the library serve the community even better. Thank you, Friends and book sale shoppers, for making DPL's programs and special events possible. We look forward to seeing you at the sale in June!



