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The Friends of the Duluth Public Library have a new email address: 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) 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). 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

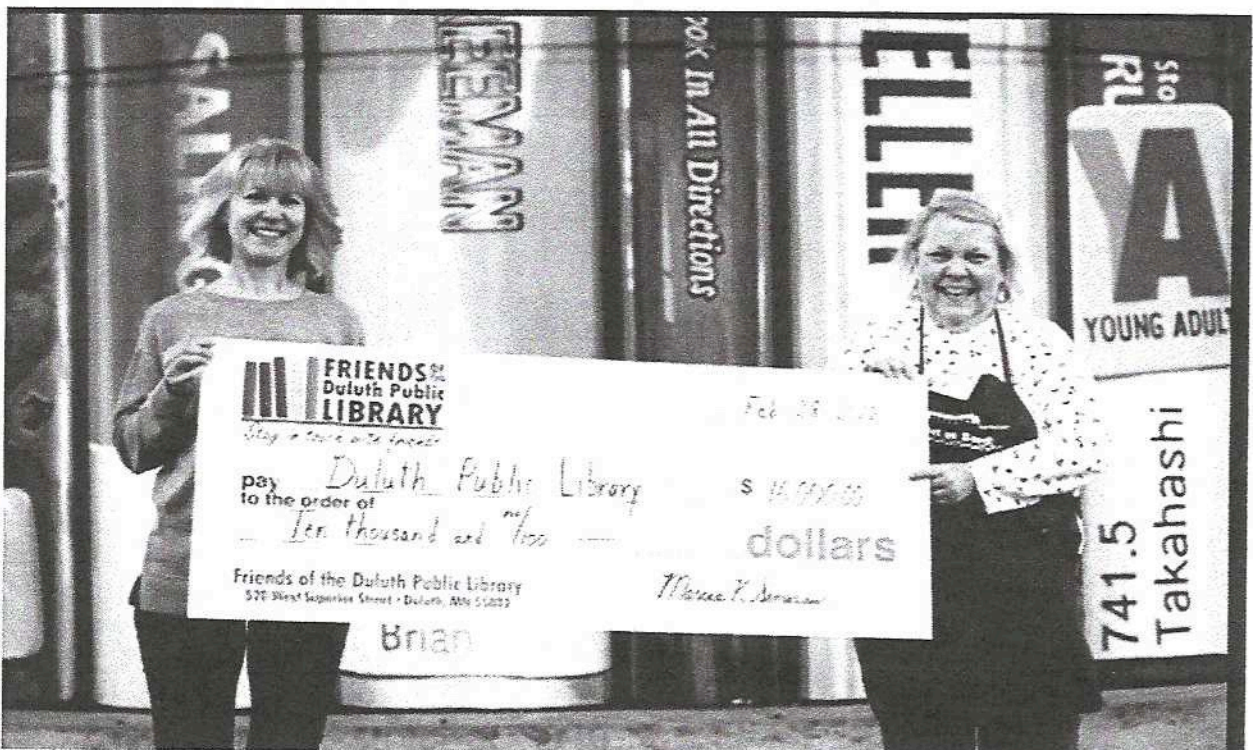
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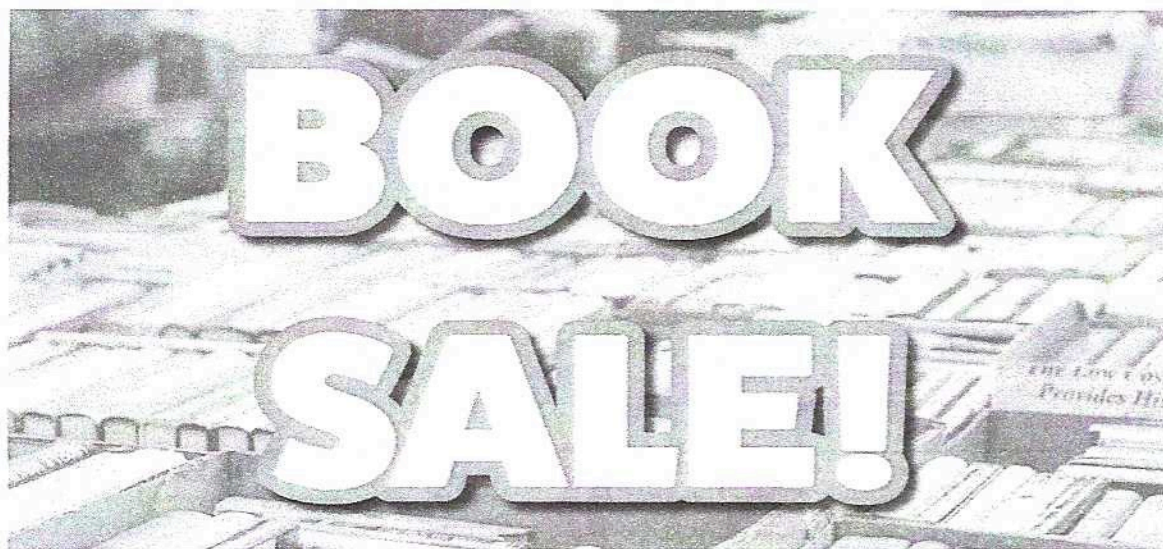
After a two-year pandemic hiatus, we at DPL are excited for the return of the annual book sale this year. As I write this, dedicated volunteers are sorting through stacks of donations. They are organizing books by topic or genre and pulling out “the best of the best” to be sold in the Gold Room. This 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!



FRIENDS OF THE DULUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY



Members Only **Monday, June 13**

Become a Friend to shop early!
10 am to 4 pm

Tuesday, June 14 10 am to 7 pm

Wednesday, June 15 10 am to 4 pm

Bag Sale **Thursday, June 16**

Select rooms
10 am to 3 pm

Build your own home library and contribute to a good cause at the same time!

Friends members can shop the sale a day early! Become a member, email friendsofdpl520@gmail.com, or in person at the sale.

All proceeds from the sale go to support the Duluth Public Library to help offer free events to the community.



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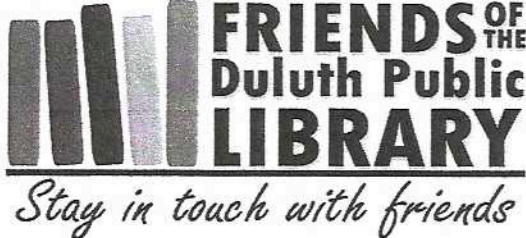


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2022 Book Sale Volunteer Signup

Please complete the information below. Return by Friday, May 13. Either email it to rjacao@yahoo.com, call 218-724-2185, return it to a library service desk, or mail to:

Friends Book Sale
520 W. Superior St.
Duluth, MN 55802

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Email _____

If you are willing to work more than one shift, please check here _____

Please check: DAY-TIME-LOCATION-JOB

Mon. June 13 10 am- 1pm _____ 1 pm – 4pm _____

Tues. June 14 10am – 1pm _____ 1 pm – 4pm _____ 4 pm – 7pm _____

Wed. June 15 10 am – 1pm _____ 1 pm – 4 pm _____

Thurs. June 16 10 am – 12:30 pm _____ 12:30 pm – 3 pm _____

Location: Garage _____ Gold Room _____ Green Room _____ Conference Room _____

Job: Cashier _____ Shelver _____ Security Gold Room _____

Swag (Tshirt) Table _____

Monday June 13

Membership Table 10 am – 1 pm _____ 1pm – 4 pm _____

Dealers Table 10 am – 1 pm _____ 1 pm – 4 pm _____

You will receive a confirmation of your volunteer assignment with the date, time, location and job. A parking permit will be included.

You do not need an assigned time to help with set-up prior to the sale on June 6-10 or to help with take down after the sale on Friday, June 17, Tuesday, June 21 and Wednesday, June 22 during the Library's open hours.

If you have any questions, call 218-724-2185 or email rjacao@yahoo.com Cathy & Dick Andree.

Last year the library at the University of Minnesota Duluth made the difficult decision to step away from the Northeastern Minnesota Book Awards (NEMBA). In early 2022, the Lake Superior Writers organization announced that they would be the new organizers of NEMBA. Thanks to the hard work of community volunteers (including members of the Friends of Duluth Public Library), the steering committee will announce the next round of awards in the fall of 2022.

Due to the uncertainties of COVID and the change in organizers, there will be no public event for presenting the awards this year. We expect to return to an in-person award presentation in the future and will reassess the form it will take at that time. For 2022, the awards themselves are our highest priority.

The NEMBA Steering Committee would like to thank the Friends of Duluth Public Library for their generous financial donation in support of this year's awards. Without your financial support, the awards could not continue.

We are seeking judges to help us evaluate the books and select the winners. Applicants do not need to be professional literary critics, but book-lovers who are open minded and who represent the different backgrounds and lifestyles of the Northland. Join a NEMBA Reading Team and help choose a winning book that captures the spirit of northeastern Minnesota! More information can be found here: <https://lakesuperiorwriters.org/call-for-readers/>

Sidewalk Days July 13-14-15, 2022

The Friends of the DPL have been part of Sidewalk Days in downtown Duluth for 5 years. Every year we give away books to children of all ages, from toddler to teen. We buy about 700 books (500 new, and 200 slightly used), mostly online and from local stores. Our perfect spot is usually across from Maurice's headquarters.

People, especially the children, are excited to see us. We are a destination booth. We are looking for volunteers to help at our tent. Hours are dependent on each volunteer, and can be as short as two hours. Please call Betty (218-235-3676) if you would like to help out.



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_____ Best Friend \$50

_____ True Friend \$100

_____ Loyal Friend \$200

_____ Valued Friend \$ _____

_____ DONATION \$ _____

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