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#### November 2019

**NEW BOARD MEMBERS** Linda McKnight and Irene Nathanson were elected to the Friends Board at the October meeting. Linda





Tuesday, December 10, 2019 11:00-2:00 Palmbrook Country Club

Please join us for soup, sandwiches, scones with clotted cream and lemon curd, hot and iced tea. The English Tea Lady will present a short program on tea. We will also honor our retiring board president Marcia Davis. We are looking forward to seeing you there. Please sign up no later than <u>Saturday, November 30</u>.

Irene



**BOOKS AROUND THE CORNER** The half-price author of the month is James Patterson. In November 2015, Patterson received the Literarian Award from the <u>National Book</u> Foundation, which cited him as a "passionate campaigner to make books and reading a national priority. A generous supporter of universities, teachers colleges, independent bookstores, school libraries, and



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college students, Patterson has donated millions of dollars in grants and scholarships with the purpose of encouraging Americans of all ages to read more books." (Wikipedia)

In addition to the half-price author of the month, Christmas novels will be at half-price.

The dates of the Bookstore year end sale and the Fairway sale have changed. The next Bookstore year end store wide half price sale will be on Thursday, November 14, Friday the 15th, and Saturday the 16th. Bookstore hours for the sale will be 9:30 until 4:00.

The next Fairway sale will be in December--Friday the 13th and Saturday the 14th.

Donations of items for the Christmas Boutique are still being accepted and would be appreciated. The Boutique will begin December 2 and run the entire month.

**BOOK FRIENDS** now have 20 readers split between The Woodmark at Sun City, and Inn at the Amethyst assisted living facilities. Charlotte Klose, Linda McKnight, and other volunteer readers continued operating those weekly programs through the summer.

**BOOK BUDDIES** Monica Fallon, Book Buddy Chair, reported at the October Board of Directors meeting that she needs volunteer drivers. She can be reached at 623-977-7246 or <u>Mmfallon946@gmail.com</u>.

**MEET YOUR VOLUNTEER** Our featured volunteer this month is Sue Blechl. Sue is the current vice





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president of the Friends Board of Directors. She serves as chair of the Community Outreach Committee. Sue's volunteer work with the Friends began when she was elected to the Board in May, 2016.

Sue spent her working career in After growing up in libraries. Milwaukee and earning her M.A. from the University of Wisconsin at Madison, her first position was as a library Branch Manager in Green Bay for 14 years. Following that, she served as Director of Libraries at Dickinson County, Michigan for four years and then Emporia, Kansas for 20 years. In Kansas she was involved in a state organization that supported Friends groups, and served as its president.

Sue enjoys reading non fiction, particularly history and biographies. "I am a very eclectic reader, and like to explore new ideas," she states. She is a user of e-books from our Libraries. She also is president of the Fairway Readers group.

Sue's Mom and Dad moved to Sun City in 1988. After Sue retired in

2015, she moved to Sun City to live with and care for her Mom.

#### FRIENDS VOLUNTEERS TEESHIRT

The Friends Board has determined to give all volunteers a teeshirt as a way of saying thank you. While this may be worn when volunteering, it is not required. Beyond how it is pictured below, it also will be available in the same dark blue color with a crew neck. More information will be available in December, with size charts, a picture of graphics, and samples to try on in the Bookstore.





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**TREE SANTA FOR SENIORS** Sue Wilson, RCSC Representative to the Friends Board, stated at the October Friends Board meeting that the RCSC Foundation will have a Tree Santa for Seniors at the Fairway Recreation Center. Donations of \$25 gift cards to stores such as Safeway and Walmart would be appreciated. The tags will be hung on the tree.

**GAMES CAFE** Once a month on a Friday, the Sun City Library has an adult game time. No registration is needed for this 9:00 to 11:30 gathering. Bring your own tea or coffee, meet new friends, and play classic and modern board games, like chess, backgammon, Scrabble, Apples to Apples, Pandemic, Codenames, Sushi Go!, and more. The November date is 11/15, and the December date is 12/6.

The Friends provided the money to purchase some of the games.

**BOARD MEETING** The Friends Board of Directors next scheduled meeting will be on Thursday, November 14, 2019, 9:30 a.m. in the Sun City Library North Wing room. **ASK TOM E** The November question comes from Ima Ludite, who asked Tom E, "I heard from a Friends Board member that they wanted folks to 'like' the Friends Facebook page. I would be happy to do that, but I am not very good at using Facebook, other than just getting on it. Tell me what I am to do to show that I not only like the page, I love it."

Tom E loves your enthusiasm, Ima. He will pass your compliment on to volunteer Jennie O'Leary, who prepares the Friends Facebook page.

There are actually four Facebook accounts that the Friends organization want you to "like" and invite your "friends to like":

Friends of the Sun City Libraries, Inc. Books around the Corner Bookstore Sun City Library Fairway Library

To find these, you just put the name in the search bar, as shown below:

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Once you have the page open, hit "like."



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After you "like" the page, you can invite friends to "like" the page as well. That will help the Friends get more viewers. To do that, you select "Invite Friends." When that is done, a new screen will appear, and you can select any or all of your friends to send this private message to:

Invite your friends to like Friends of the Sun City Libraries, I $\hfill \ensuremath{\mathbb{K}}$			
Hi, I'm inviting you to like this Page because I thought you might be interested in supporting it.			
Not Invited (114)	Selected (0)	Invited (0)	157
All Friends 🔻	Search in All Friends		Select All

Ima, Tom E hopes this makes sense. The Friends like that you want to like, and have your friends alike like us.

Tom E

The *Friends Volunteer Newsletter* is to improve communication between Friends volunteers. The *Newsletter* is emailed to volunteers on the first of the month, or delivered to their work places if no email address is available.

Information or letters to Tom E should be sent to Tom Everitt at <u>4mymate@embarqmail.com</u>. The Board President will approve copy before publication. News or letters for the December 2019, issue should be received by Wednesday, November 27, 2019.

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