



# FRIENDS

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### JANUARY 2021

**LIBRARY UPDATE** Both the Sun City and Fairway Libraries are offering **curbside pickup**! Make an appointment and pick up your holds from the comfort of your car.

We are pleased to announce the soft launch of MCLD's **Culture Pass Program**! MCLD has partnered with Act One to provide Culture Passes at all 18 of our libraries. Culture Passes will provide you with admission for two people at participating arts organizations around The Valley. Passes must be checked out in-person at the library, and are limited to one pass per family at a time. At this time we have passes available to the Desert Botanical Garden and Arcosanti-Cordes Junction.

Welcome, Yolie! **Yolie Ramirez** joined the **Fairway Library** as a librarian at the start of the new year. We are so thrilled to welcome her to the Fairway/Sun City team! From Yolie: "Hello! I am Yolanda Ramirez, Librarian at Fairway Library. Call me Yolie. I am a native from México City y Hablo Español. I received my master's degree in Library and Information



Science from San José State University in California. I recently relocated to Arizona, and I am thrilled to be here working for Maricopa County Library District. It will be my pleasure to practice MCLD's Great Expectations, especially at the Library where Curiosity is the name of the game!"

The library **Winter Reading Program** for adults, Escape to Everywhere, runs through February 14. Earn points



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Winter Reading Program For Adults  
Dec. 14 – Feb. 14, 2021



by reading, and be entered to win prizes along your journey! Sign-up at <https://winter.mclidaz.org/>

**BOOKSTORE HAPPENINGS** Despite being closed for many months, volunteers in Books Around the Corner have been busy behind closed doors. Many **books** have been prepared for shelving, and then shelved or stored, although many remain. **DVDs** have been cleaned and shelved. Some **new bookshelves** have been placed and filled. **Categorization** has been improved with an expanded non-fiction war section, and a bigger selection of large print books, for example. The **labeling of sections** has been improved, and a new **map** is being developed. **Donations still cannot be accepted.**

Some of the **old books** have been sorted as to their value and sale

source. The more valuable ones are sold on the internet. A **volunteer is badly needed** who would manage this project. If interested, contact Bookstore Manager, Mary Anne McDonald, at 623-640-5933.

Some Friends Board members have been going through **old records** to eliminate what can be, and label what remains. Other volunteers came in and assisted with the **annual inventory** which has to be done for the Non-profit annual report.

Mary Anne wishes to **thank** all those who have been assisting to get the Bookstore ready for reopening, to which we all look forward.

**NEW RCSC REPRESENTATIVE** The Friends Board of Directors has an Advisor named by RCSC to serve on the Friends Board. The RCSC Director named as our 2021 Liaison is



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**Sheila Rooney.** Sheila had a 40+ year



career in the commercial insurance industry. Her Bachelor's Degree is in education; she holds an active Arizona teaching certificate for grades 6-12. She has experience

working in dispatch for the Sun City Posse, as well as involvement in homeowner associations. Sheila is currently the RCSC Board Treasurer. Sun City has been her home for nearly eight years.

### **NO NEWSLETTER HUMOR MAILED**

In order to lighten the mood during the COVID pandemic, we have been including some humor in the *Newsletter*. We also have been printing off and mailing the *Newsletter* to those who do not have email addresses and would have their copies delivered at their work place. The cost of printing and mailing the extended length document has become prohibitive. Effective with this issue, we will **not mail the humor section**. If you are receiving the

*Newsletter* by mail and have an email address, contact Tom Everitt at [tjever40@gmail.com](mailto:tjever40@gmail.com) and get your name added to our email list.

### **A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT**

Happy New Year, Dear Volunteers! We hope you enjoyed the holiday gift bags distributed by our board members! We had lots of fun putting things together and getting them to you! Special thanks to Ruth Polansky, our Volunteer Coordinator, for organizing the delivery lists, packing the sacks, and delivering. Hats off to Irene Nathanson for the painted rocks and to Monica Fallon, Charlotte Klose, Linda Knupp, and Mary Anne McDonald for the treats for their volunteers. In addition, we thank all of the delivery people: Marcia Davis, Pat Bates, Jessica Potter-Slider, Sue Painter, Linda McKnight, Cathy Weyers, Roberta Hawksworth, Ruth Polansky, and Sue Blechl. This was truly a Board project, and everyone had fun!

We thank outgoing RCSC liaison Rich Hoffer for participating in our Board meetings and advising us as needed over the last year. We appreciate the support and expertise shared! We



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welcome new liaison, Sheila Rooney.  
Glad to have you joining us!

We wish that Covid-19 was under control, and that we would be closer to getting our social lives back, but we must be patient a little longer. The vaccine gives us hope. Perhaps we'll be able to resume bookstore operations in the fall. We certainly hope so. In the meantime, please continue to hold your book donations. You are helping us by "storing" them for us.

You can also help us by being ambassadors for the library and the Friends. We need accurate and positive information going out to the community!

If you have a comment for the Friends, or an idea for a project, please feel free to contact me or any Board Member. Stay well, stay safe, be patient!

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**NEXT BOARD MEETING** At the Zoom meeting held on Thursday, January 14, 2021, the Board set a date of **Thursday, February 11**, 10:30 a.m. for its next meeting, which will be by Zoom. This will be the annual meeting where the previous year is summarized and officers are elected.

The Friends Volunteer Newsletter is to improve communication between Friends volunteers. The Newsletter is emailed to volunteers on the middle 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 [tjever40gmail.com](mailto:tjever40gmail.com). The Board President will approve copy before publication. News or letters for the February 2021, issue should be received by Friday, February 12, 2021.

*Tom Everitt,  
Writer and Editor in Chief,  
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CHUCKLE  
TIME

I' M AT THAT DELUSIONAL  
AGE WHERE I THINK  
EVERYONE MY AGE LOOKS  
WAY OLDER THAN I DO

REMEMBER WHEN WE HAD  
TO SMACK THE TV  
BECAUSE THE CHANNEL  
WASN'T COMING IN CLEARLY?  
I FEEL THAT WAY ABOUT FAR  
TOO MANY PEOPLE.



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**My kids will never  
know the joy of  
finding a quarter  
in the coin return**



**4000 years later and we're back to the  
same language...** 🤔 😂



**They're Not Dangerous  
If You Raise Them Right**



**And Neither  
Are The Dogs**

**The older you get  
the more you  
appreciate  
cancelled plans,  
early nights,  
thunderstorms  
and alcohol that  
is on sale.**





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Not to brag, but I just  
went into another  
room and actually  
remembered why I  
went in there.

It was the  
bathroom, but still....

SOME PEOPLE  
WON'T ADMIT THEIR  
FAULTS. I WOULD,  
IF I HAD ANY.

When I finish  
eating something  
I have to show  
my hands  
to the dog  
like I'm a blackjack  
dealer...



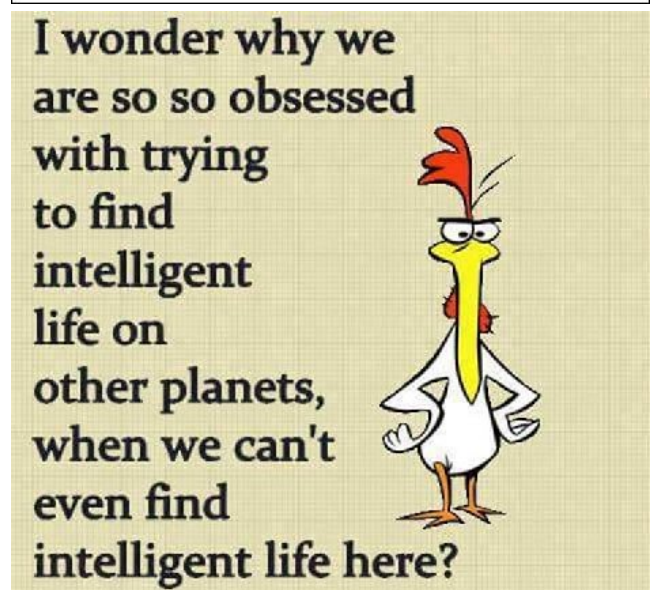
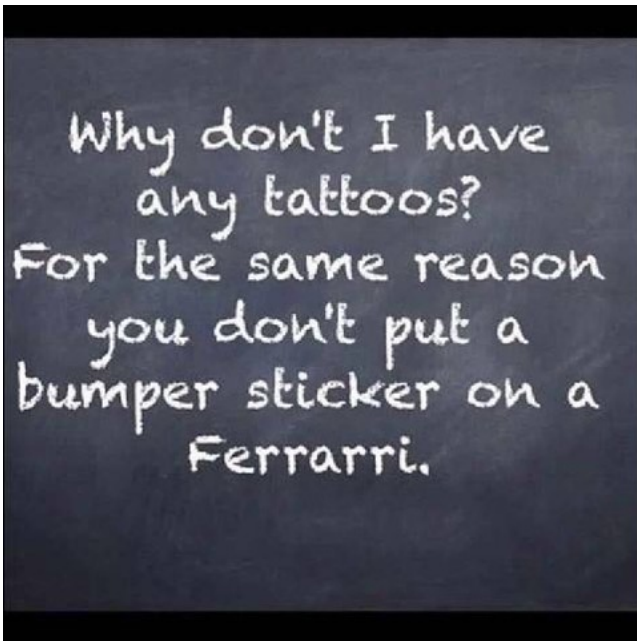


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Finally I understand why cars have these things...





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**Hugh Hefner became a  
multi millionaire  
staying home in his  
jammies...**

**I'm not having the  
same result**

**I just got pulled over by the  
cops. He said " I can smell  
alcohol "**

**I told him that's because  
your not respecting social  
distancing.**

**Apparently one of  
the symptoms of  
covid-19 is having  
no taste?**

**Looking back on my  
exes i think i've  
been infected for  
years..**

*They say you can't fix*  
**STUPID**  
**★ TURNS OUT ★**  
*You Can't*  
**QUARANTINE**  
**★★ IT EITHER ★★**



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Now there's  
an idea.

