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FRIEND TO FRIEND This Newsletter comes out monthly to help volunteers keep up to date on Friends of the Sun City Libraries, Inc. organizational happenings. We try hard to do that well.

What the *Newsletter* does not do well is share information about our 100 or so volunteers. We don't know about you because we don't hear from you. We don't hear from you because there is no easy way for you to communicate with us. We feel this is a real void in the *Newsletter*, and want to do something about it.

In an attempt to improve this, each edition of the *Newsletter* will contain a Friend to Friend question that we would like for you to answer. Answers will be published in the next month's *Newsletter* Friend to Friend column. Your first name will be attached to your answer if you like, or you may remain anonymous. Just tell us your preference.

The March question is DESPITE COVID'S NEGATIVE IMPACT, WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU THAT WAS

POSITIVE? Answers might include a new friend you made, a new author you discovered, your zooming experiences, your improved tech knowledge, etc. Humor is always appreciated.

Friend to Friend is meant to bring us closer together by sharing fun experiences. Put on your thinking cap and send your answers to me at tjever40@gmail.com. Do it now while you are thinking about it!

BOOKSTORE The wall repair in the Bookstore from storm damage is scheduled to be repaired very soon. Organizational improvements have continued with a few volunteers one day each week.

NEW BOARD MEMBER Diane Wysocki was elected to the Friends Board of Directors at the March Board meeting. She is a retired professor emeritus from the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

Diane has a PhD is sociology and gender studies. She is published in professional journals, and has authored many books. She and her son have lived in Sun City since 2018.



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COMMITTEE FOR ON-LINE BOOKSTORE SALES At the March Friends Board of Directors meeting, a committee was named to establish a better process for selling books online. Donated books that have high value can be sold on-line for more than they would bring in our Bookstore.

WEB PAGE Marcia Davis, Board Advisor for Web and Graphics, described a new system for tracking

our website impact at the March Friends Board meeting. With less going on because of the pandemic, usage is down. Despite that, January statistics showed 225 page views and 160 visitors. Visiting the website is done at suncitylibraryfriends.org.

IRISH BLESSING With St. Patrick's day on the 17th, the following seemed appropriate to share.

MAY LOVE AND LAUGHTER LIGHT YOUR DAYS,

AND WARM YOUR HEART AND HOME.

MAY GOOD AND FAITHFUL FRIENDS BE YOURS,

WHEREVER YOU MAY ROAM.

MAY PEACE AND PLENTY BLESS YOUR WORLD,

WITH JOY THAT LONG ENDURES.

MAY ALL LIFE'S PASSING SEASONS

BRING THE BEST TO YOU AND YOURS.



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dearest Friends, I don't think I'm the only person who feels hopeful and energized this month! With the vaccine rollout and spring temperatures, we are looking forward to perhaps a few more months of pandemic inconvenience.

We probably haven't finished our list of books "To Be Read," and we probably still have closets not straightened, but there is still time. We are cleaning house and crossing things off the Friends' list of things to do too! We are purging old paper records, and reviewing our Board responsibilities to make sure we have adequate training, backup and succession plans. And we want to improve our communications with you!

Help us by answering our Friend to Friend question this month! We want to hear from you! If you have an idea for a question, share it with Tom. Our volunteers are a major resource, and we want to make the most of the experiences and expertises you bring to our organization.

Happy Spring!

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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. The Board President will approve copy before publication. News or letters for the April 2021, issue should be received by Monday, April 12, 2021.

Tom Everitt, Writer and Editor in Chief, Friends of the Sun City Libraries, Inc.



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TEE

DURING THE MIDDLE
AGES THEY CELEBRATED
THE END OF THE PLAGUE
WITH WINE AND ORGIES
DOES ANYONE KNOW IF
THEY HAVE ANYTHING
LIKE THAT PLANNED
WHEN THIS ONE ENDS?

(Bonus: Check at the end to see if you are a seenager.)

Be aware she can move in any direction





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A man takes his wife to get tested

Two days later, he gets a call from the lab.

Doctor: I'm sorry to inform you that your wife's test results were mixed up with another patient's. We're not sure if she has COVID-19 or Alzheimer's disease.

Man: So what am I supposed to do now?

Doctor: Take her for long walk and leave her. If she finds her way back home, don't open the door.

I'm so scared of being called 'racist', I've started sending money to Nigerian scammers.

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I DON'T LIKE THE
FACT THAT MY
CHANCES OF
SURVIVAL SEEM
TO BE LINKED TO
THE COMMON
SENSE OF OTHERS

I trained my dog to fetch beer. It may not sound too impressive but he gets them from the neighbor's fridge.



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The longer
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the more
homeless
I look.









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Strange new trend at the office. People putting names on food in the company fridge. Today I had a tuna sandwich named Linda.



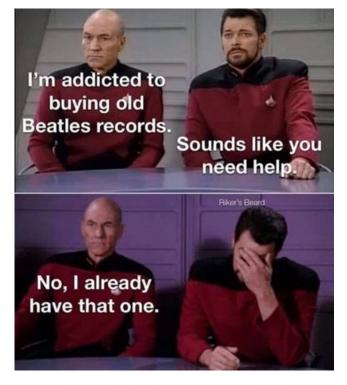
TODAY, I NOTICED THAT
THE COVER OF MY IRONING
BOARD WAS WRINKLED,
AND I LAUGHED AT THE
IRONY. THEN, I LAUGHED
AGAIN BECAUSE OF THE
WORD "IRONY"





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SEENAGER CAN YOU RELATE?

I am a Seenager (Senior teenager) I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 65 years later.

I don't have to go to school or work.

I get an allowance every month.

I have my own pad.

I don't have a curfew.

I have a driver's license and my own car.

The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant and I don't have acne. Life is good.

I changed my car horn to a loud barking dog sounds. People get out of the way much faster now. Gone are the days when girls used to cook like their mothers. Now they drink like their fathers.

I didn't make it to the gym today. That makes two years in a row.

I decided to stop calling the bathroom the "John" and renamed it the "Jim". I feel much better saying I went to the Jim this morning.

Old age is coming at a really bad time.

When I was a child I thought "Nap Time" was a punishment. Now it feels like a small vacation.

The biggest lie I tell myself is, "I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."
I don't have gray hair; I have "wisdom highlights." I'm just very wise.



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If God wanted me to touch my toes, She would've put them on my knees.

Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. We haven't met yet.

Of course I talk to myself. Sometimes I need expert advice.

At my age "Getting lucky" means walking into a room and remembering what I came in there for.

I have more friends I should send this to, but right now I can't remember their names. Now, I'm wondering: did I send this to you, or did you send it to me?