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JULY 2021

BOOKSTORE NEWS Mary Anne McDonald, Books Around the Corner Manager, reported at the July Friends Board of Directors meeting that sales since reopening have been **brisk**.

July specials continue: **movie DVDs** are three for \$2.00; the July author of the month is **Stuart Woods**.

In **August** the three movie DVDs for \$2.00 special price will continue. There will be two authors of the month, **Danielle Steel** and **James Patterson**. The books of both will be half price. Bundled old **Arizona Highways** magazines are also available at a special price.

NEW BOARD MEMBER Joyce Voss is the latest person to join the Friends Board of Directors. She was elected at the July 8 Friends Board meeting.

Before retirement, Joyce managed an Outreach department at a large northern Illinois library. Her umbrella included School Services at three levels, English as a Second Language/Literacy, Homebound, Bookmobile, the Senior Center

popular library, plus its Computer lab with classes.



Trained as a teacher before entering Library School, she found those skills useful during the first half of her career spent as a reference librarian and later in outreach services as a presenter, discussion leader, and in running memoir classes.

Joyce and her husband Chuck moved to Sun City permanently in October,



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2020. She stated, "In this new life chapter, I hope my skills can be useful to the Friends. I am delighted to join their Board."

LIBRARY NEWS Brianna King, Library Manager, reported at the July Friends Board meeting that Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. the Fairway Library has a **Drop-in Technology Helpdesk**. The Sun City Library offers an **iPhone/iPd Help Desk** at the same time.

Starting in **August**, both Libraries will begin offering other **in-person events and programs**. Events can be found on the Fairway Library and Sun City Library calendar. Visit mclldaz.org and click on "Events" in the upper right corner. Book clubs and the seed library will also begin in August.

IN MEMORIAM **Scott Stapf**, 63 year old son of Bookstore Manager Mary Anne McDonald, died suddenly of a massive heart attack. He was found in his Minnesota home on July 13, 2021. He is survived by his mother, sister Dawn Stapf, brother Todd Stapf, and wife Trish Butler.

WEB-SITE UTILIZATION Marcia Davis, Board Advisor, announced at the July Board meeting that web utilization for the Friends site is **up 32%**.

NEXT MEETING The next Friends Board meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, **August 12**, 2021, in the Sun City Library meeting room.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Greetings! We are pleased to have a full month of the reopened Bookstore under our belt! The donations continue, the volunteer schedules are tweaked, the reorganized shelves prove to be positive, all thanks to Mary Anne McDonald and her crew. The Friends Board has now met in person for the first time in 18 months, and we are all feeling good about carrying on with our programs as much as possible.

We have two projects this summer: reviewing our 2021 goals; and reviewing our job descriptions. While these tasks may seem mundane and uninspiring, they both allow us to reflect on the good and the not-so-good aspects of our organization and to make suggestions for



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improvement. Nothing is too large or too small to make a difference! I am regularly impressed with the work of our Board members and our volunteers, who take their jobs seriously! Hardly a day goes by when I don't get a call or a text or an email with a new idea, or a solution to a problem. How many groups can say that!

We invite each of you to contribute to this synergy! If you experience something wonderful, let us know. If you encounter a challenge that needs to be dealt with, we need to know that, too. New ideas for serving our Libraries and the community, are especially appreciated. Help us to be the eyes and ears on what needs to be done! You are also ambassadors, spreading the Friends' goodwill to Sun City and beyond. Thank you!

Note: here is the link to our 2021 goals for your convenience.

[2021_goals_final.pdf](https://suncitylibraryfriends.org/2021_goals_final.pdf)
(suncitylibraryfriends.org)

If you would like to see our job descriptions, please let me know.

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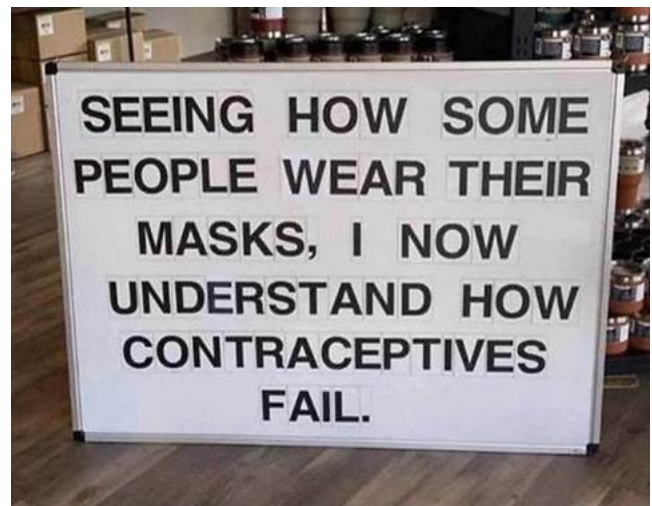
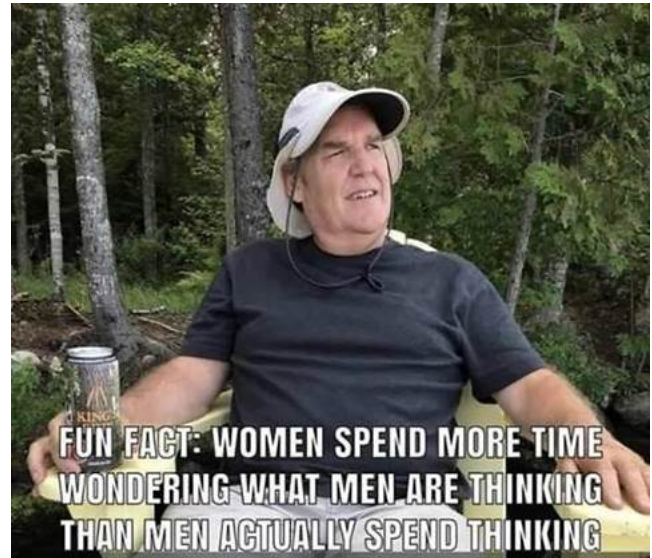
The *Friends Volunteer Newsletter* is to improve communication between Friends volunteers. It is emailed to volunteers on the middle of the month, or delivered to their work places if no email address is available. Information for the August 2021, issue should be sent to Tom Everitt at tjever40@gmail.com by Thursday, August 12, 2021.

*Tom Everitt,
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Friends of the Sun City Libraries, Inc.*

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JULY'S JOLLIES

When I see lovers' names
carved on trees, I think it's
strange how many people
bring knives on a date.





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PSA for
Canadians on
Social Distancing
6ft = 1 moose
length
(Or 4.5 beavers)
You're welcome,
eh.

**I tried to re-marry my
ex-wife.
But she figured out I
was only after my
money.**

If you ever feel like your brain is inadequate... Think of this guy!





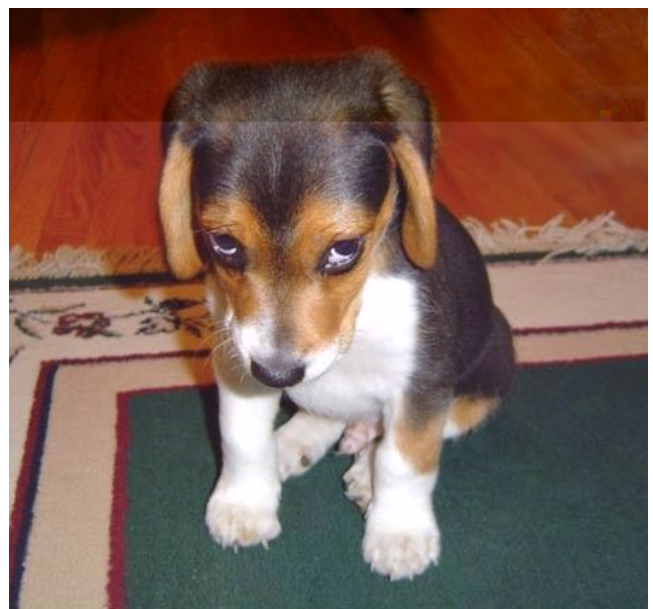
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**Be sure to bring up
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Thanksgiving this
year, to save on
Christmas gifts.**



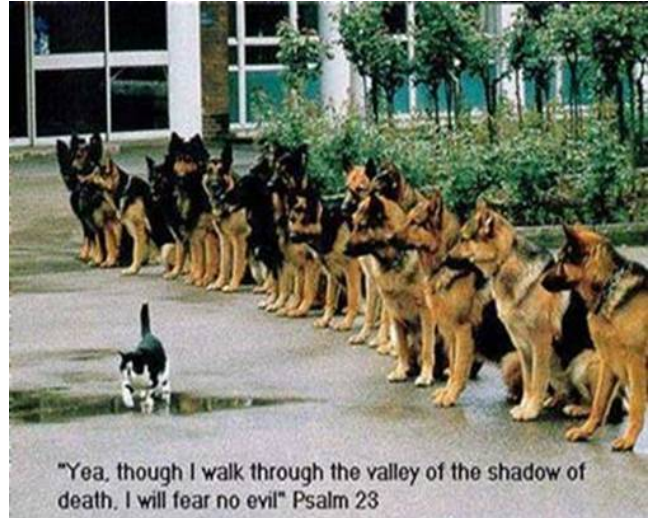


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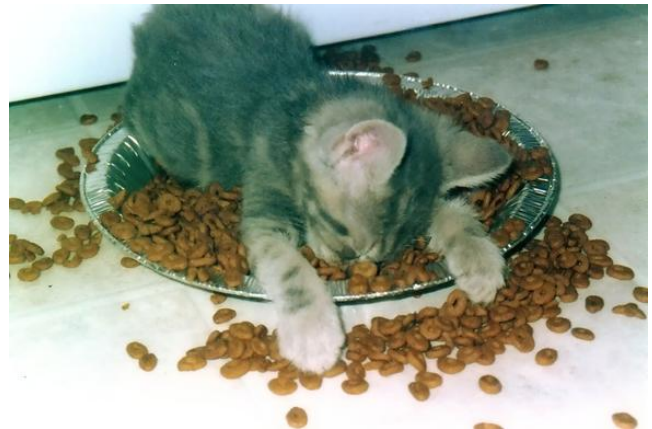
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"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil" Psalm 23





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My wife is singing in the house



**I'm sitting outside so the
neighbors don't think I'm
hitting her**

**My wife sent me a text that said,
"Your great"**

**So, naturally, I wrote back, "No,
you're great"**

**She's been walking around all
happy and smiling.**

**Should I tell her I was just
correcting her grammar or leave
it?**



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I told my wife
she should
embrace her
mistakes...



She hugged me.

**Today's
mood:**

**Bitchy with a
touch of
sarcasm.**



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Costco has a great
sense of humor



After listening her owner drone on for hours,
Ginger suddenly realized she was NOT
cut out to be an emotional support dog
after all.



IF YOU SEE ME IN
A BIKINI THIS SUMMER
LOOKING LIKE THIS...

