

#### FRIENDS VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

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**WELCOME** The *Friends Volunteer Newsletter's* purpose 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.

*Newsletter* content will include Board or committee meeting notices, social event meeting announcements, between meeting communication, special announcements to specific volunteers, proposals for review, Bookstore updates (sales, material needs, special volunteer needs), volunteer news of general interest, meeting minutes when appropriate, or any item of general concern to Friends volunteers.

Any Friend volunteer may submit information to Tom Everitt at <u>tjever40@gmail.com</u>. The Board President will approve copy before publication.

News for the September 2018, issue should be submitted by Wednesday, August 29, 2018.



**ICE CREAM SOCIAL** Friends of the Sun City Libraries volunteers and their spouses or significant others are invited to a "thank you for donating your time in the summer" social event.

> Thursday, August 30 5:00 PM Fairway Social Hall #1

There will be door prizes, ice cream, sugar free ice cream, toppings, homemade hot fudge, and cookies. Mark your calendar so you don't forget.

**BOOKSTORE BUYS** The August author of the month is Nora Roberts. She also writes as J. D. Robb for the in Death series, has written under the pseudonym Jill March, and for the U.K. as Sarah Hardesty. Regardless



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of name, her books are half price all of August.

Large print books are also half price in August.

A nice selection of Beverly Lewis Christian fiction books are available for her followers.

A box of classical and big band records were donated when the Bookstore was closed. They need to find a new home.

**MEET YOUR LIBRARY STAFF** This month's featured staff member is Library Assistant Amy Moriarty. Amy started with for the Maricopa County Library District in February of this year as a library aide. She works primarily at the Bell Library. Before her library job, Amy worked 20 years as a Pharmacy Technician in Illinois.

A Chicago native, Amy has been in the valley for five years. She is married and has two sons, one in Chicago and one in Arizona.

"Any kind of book" meets Amy's fancy for reading. Currently it is history. She also loves to travel, go to



concerts, and take in super hero movies.

Consistent with most library staff and volunteers, Amy best likes about her job the "customers and coworkers."

MEET YOUR VOLUNTEERS This month our featured Friends volunteer is Dolores Kuykendall. Dolores moved to Arizona in 2005 and began volunteering for the Bell Library shortly She went through the thereafter.



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transition from private library to MCLD.

Dolores works with puzzles in the Bell Library, pictured below. She also



works with Library paperback books. If that isn't enough, she volunteers at Books Around the Corner. "I love it," she stated. Meeting and helping people is what she likes best about her job.

Prior to her move to Arizona, Dolores worked for doctors, and was the secretary to the Washington State University Cooperative Extension 4-H Agent and Dairy Agent. She was State President of the General Federation of Women's Groups from 1998 to 2000, an organization for library support. Dolores has always loved books. She reads a variety of them, but not mysteries or hardbacks. She is widowed, has nine grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren

**RETIREMENT PARTY** Join us to wish Jennie O'Leary well in her retirement. The Friends will be serving cake and punch.



**SPEAKING OF JENNIE** She has been registered as administrator for the Friends Facebook pages. "Please send me any information that you want posted on Facebook on book sales, meetings, outreach, Book Buddies, Book Friends, *etc.* Use this email, <u>JennieFriendsFB@gmail.com</u> to send me things. Include any



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artwork, graphics, *etc.* that you want to include. You can also call me at 623-363-3810." The Friends are delighted to keep Jennie around as a volunteer.

**BOARD MEETING** The next meeting of the Friends Board of Directors will not be until Thursday, September 13, 2018, 9:30 AM, North Wing Room, Bell Library.

**ASK TOM E** The August question comes from Haviture Way who asked Tom E, "Where do you come up with the news for the *Newsletter*?"

Dear Haviture, Tom E is so glad you asked that question. Getting news is not always so easy, particularly in the summer. When the idea of the *Newsletter* was initiated, questions were asked about whether there was enough news to justify doing a monthly newsletter. Tom E was convinced there was.

Tom E was correct; however, finding out about it is the hard part. As you may know Haviture, Tom E is only a winter resident in Arizona. His summer home is in Oregon. Distance is not the problem. The problem is that Tom E is not in Arizona to keep up on all the "haps."

As emails about issues appear, news can be gleaned from them. Some Board members remember to send news along. Most of what is written is self developed.

The reason Tom E is so glad that you asked that question is to give him a platform to encourage all volunteers or Library staff to send news to him. He would love to hear from you, and share what you know with other volunteers. You do not have to write the article; just share the news. Tom E will take it from there. Think about it; if you believe something is interesting, others like you will, too.

#### Tom E

Email me with your question, concern, idea for improvement, pet peeve at work, or any general inquiry you have. Maybe your matter can be featured and answered in the September *Newsletter*!

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