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#### **SEPTEMBER 2020**

BOOKS AROUND THE CORNER
The date for opening still has not been
determined. The Bookstore will not
open until after the Libraries are able
to open.

While the Bookstore has been closed, some volunteers have been book reorganizing, shelf stocking, and updating the procedure manual.

VOLUNTEER FOUND Last month the Newsletter requested a volunteer organize and manage email announcements from the Bookstore. Board member Irene Nathanson has accepted the responsibility. The list has been cleaned up, and regular mailings will start soon to the 144 patrons on the list. More specifics will appear in the October Newsletter.

If you are not on the Bookstore email list and want to be, notify Irene at ireneorrena@cox.net.

**VOLUNTEER NEEDED** With our success in finding a needed volunteer last month, here is this month's attempt in filling a need. Although this

need is not now, it will be real after the Bookstore gets "back in business."

When a book sale is held at Fairway, drivers are needed to pick up books at the Bell Recreation Center and deliver them to Fairway. When the sale is over on Saturday, drivers are needed to return the unsold books to Bell.

Drivers would need a vehicle with some hauling capacity (van or pickup, for example) and a strong back for lifting boxes of books.

If interested, contact Ruth Polansky at <a href="mailto:rlpolansky@gmail.com">rlpolansky@gmail.com</a>.

MAILED NEWSLETTERS Back in the "good old days" when volunteers were all at their jobs, those without email addresses had copies printed off and delivered to them. That stopped when work stopped. Volunteer Coordinator Ruth Polansky has agreed to take on the task of mailing the Newsletter to those volunteers.

SUPPORT THE FRIENDS— REMINDER In previous *Newsletters* readers have been informed how they can support the Friends through



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Amazon or Fry's shopping. If you are not signed up to do so, here is how.

The Friends of the Sun City Libraries, Inc. are an Amazon Preferred Charity. A portion of on-line sales from Amazon can be donated quarterly to the Friends. Their policy is to give .5% of their sale proceeds to charitable organizations. If your individual Amazon account is linked to the Friends, the proceeds come to the Friends quarterly.

Enrolling is done by use of the site "Smile.Amazon" wherein you establish your existing account or open a new account and choose the Friends. On the very first screen of your new account and under the banner that says, "Welcome (your name)," there will be a drop-down box to "SC AZ." There are three Friends of Sun City Libraries choices--SC AZ (that is us), SC,CA, and SCW, CW,AZ.

Subsequent Amazon shopping must be done by logging in through your Smile.Amazon account. There is no difference in shopping through Smile.Amazon and any other Amazon access you might use. By using your Smile.Amazon account, you are linked to the Friends. Amazon will automatically retrieve previous order history, lists, searches, and favorites to your Smile account.

You can support the Friends just by shopping at Fry's. Sign up for the Fry's Community Awards program. A portion of your purchases will be credited to the Friends of the Sun City Libraries. You will need to have a Fry's VIP card and an online account. It is easy and quick. Follow the instructions at <a href="https://www.frysfood.com/topic/new-community-rewards-program">https://www.frysfood.com/topic/new-community-rewards-program</a>.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT The break in our unbearable summer temperatures is a relief. We needed this. Now we look forward to relief in our day to day routines.

With more Recreation Center services opening up, we feel new freedom. I know that we are hoping that COVID-19 will soon be a thing of the past. We shall see.

In the meantime the Friends of the Library Board remains active, with monthly meetings and new projects to



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promote our organization and to improve customer service. We strive to provide assistance to our branch libraries, to the staff, to our Bookstore customers, to our Book Buddy readers, and to our volunteers. Please help us by sharing ideas that might make us better. With so many fine minds at work, we can't help but develop new programs and do our current programs in better ways.

Thank you for generously giving of your time and talents in the past, and for stepping up when we need you in the future. You are all terrific!

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NEXT BOARD MEETING At the Zoom meeting held on Thursday, September 10, the Board set a date of Thursday, October 8, 10:30 a.m. for its next meeting, which will be by Zoom or outside somewhere, to be determined.

#### COUTD HUMOR

Some new,
some old,
but still funny
even if you have
seen it before.



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Because of Covid for the first time since 1945 the National Spelling Bee is cancil... cancul... cansel...

It's been called off.

I got pulled over in the HOV
lane for driving alone.
I said that due to social
distancing, my passenger was
in the car behind me!



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News flash!!
Sticking your
tongue on an
outdoor bug
zapper lamp will
cure the virus.
Yep, I read it on
the internet.

At first, I thought I had Covid because I couldn't breathe.



Then I unbuttoned my pants and it was all ok.

THEY SAY, "DON'T HANG OUT WITH MORE THAN 10 PEOPLE"
I DON'T EVEN LIKE 10 PEOPLE!

So in retrospect, in 2015, not a single person got the answer right to "Where do you see yourself 5 years from now?"

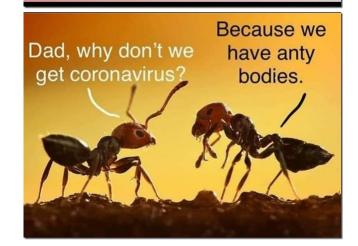


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Wife: Did I get fat during quarantine?
Husband: You weren't really skinny to begin with!
Time of Death: 11:00pm
Cause: Covid





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The Friends Volunteer Newsletter is to improve communication between Friends The Newsletter is emailed to volunteers. 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 October 2020, issue should be received by Friday, October 9, 2020.

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