

Friends of the Maricopa Public Library Newsletter

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Chairman's Comments *By Lee Pierce*

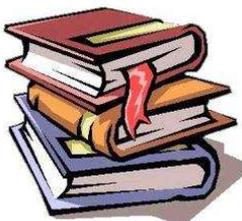
It's September! Kids are back in school and hopefully the weather will begin to cool! September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month and the Library is giving out bags to all new Library members. Encourage your friends and neighbors to get a library card! There is something for everyone at the Library.

Our annual FOTL Used Book Sale is going to be on October 17th at Santa Rosa Elementary School. Thanks to MUSD and the staff at Santa Rosa for allowing us to use their school again. We have been able to use the same location since 2004! If you are looking for a great bargain and wanting to support the Library programs this is the best way to do both. Mark this event on your calendar!

If you want a book now and don't want to wait for the Book Sale we also sell books at the Library and at Copper Sky. You will find hard back books, paperback books, and children's books. The FOTL book shelves are just to the right as you enter the Library. At Copper Sky the shelves are just to the left of the front door.

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News from the manager *By Eric Surber*

WHAT IF WE BUILT OUR COMMUNITIES AROUND PLACES?

As both an overarching idea and a hands-on approach for improving a neighborhood, city, or region, **Placemaking** inspires people to collectively reimagine and reinvent public spaces as the heart of every community. Strengthening the connection between people and the places they share, Placemaking refers to a collaborative process by which we can shape our public realm in order to maximize shared value. More than just promoting better urban design, Placemaking facilitates creative patterns of use, paying particular attention to the physical, cultural, and social identities that define a place and support its ongoing evolution.

Placemaking shows people just how powerful their collective vision can be. It helps them to re-imagine everyday spaces, and to see anew the potential of parks, downtowns, waterfronts, plazas, neighborhoods, streets, markets, campuses and public buildings.

Visit the library and check out everything we have to offer. It's a great place to stay out of the summer heat!

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For more on the birth of the Placemaking concept, I recommend the book *The Battle for Gotham New York in the shadow of Robert Moses and Jane Jacobs* by Roberta Brandes Gratz. The book highlights Jane Jacob's struggles with creating communities in New York.

With community-based participation at its center, an effective Placemaking process capitalizes on a local community's assets, inspiration, and potential, and it results in the creation of quality public spaces that contribute to people's health, happiness, and well being.

As the City of Maricopa embarks on a vision of 2040, and the shape of the city is being considered by the residents, let's try to keep focused on the role of the community in this process.

S.M.A.R.T Kids

All new program for children grades 3 to 6 (ages 8-12). Focusing on Science, Math, Art and Engineering. Each week will have an activity focused on that area. The first week is Science. The second week will be the Crazy 8's math club. The third week will focus on art, and the fourth will be engineering. The program starts on Wednesday, September 2 at 2:30 pm. First come, first served. Limit of 25 students.

Read 'Em and Eat

This is no ordinary book club. Kids ages 9-12 are invited to read books, play games, hang out, and eat. This is a club where you can be yourself while reading great books with great people. The first meeting is Tuesday, September 1 at 5:30pm.

Computer Basics for Adults

Starting September 4 computer classes will be moving to 9:00 a.m. These free classes focus on basic computer skills, internet skills, and using popular programs to do real-life tasks.

Library Card Sign-up Month

September is Library Card Sign-up Month, a time when the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country promote the value of a library card and library services. From finding a job, starting a new business, to getting homework help and becoming more engaged in your community, a library card offers limitless opportunities to transform lives through education and lifelong learning.

During the month of the September, all new cardholders will receive a free tote bag, courtesy of the Friends of the Maricopa Public Library. The library will also waive the replacement card fee for any library members who have lost their card.

Library Card Sign-up Month is an initiative of the American Library Association. For more information on Library Card Sign-up Month, please visit the Maricopa Public Library.

Tuesday Coffees with Friends

By Diane Thormahlen

Whether you are a current member of the Maricopa Friends of the Library or would like to become a member, please come join us every **Tuesday at the City of Maricopa Library from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.** We have refreshments, chatter and information about becoming a member of Friends of the Library and all of the fun activities we participate in. We are self-supporting through individual donations. Please come join us!



Membership of the FOTL

By Judy Figgins and Lee Pierce

Becoming a member of the Friends of the Library is fun and helps support programs for the library which in turn supports the community.

FOTL meets the 2nd Monday of every month at 5:30 PM at the Library. See you there. If you cannot attend every meeting, that is OK. Just by joining you are showing support for the Library. Showing support comes in many ways. Ask us how.

We have our red polo shirts with the FOTL Logo on sale at every meeting. Price is \$18.00

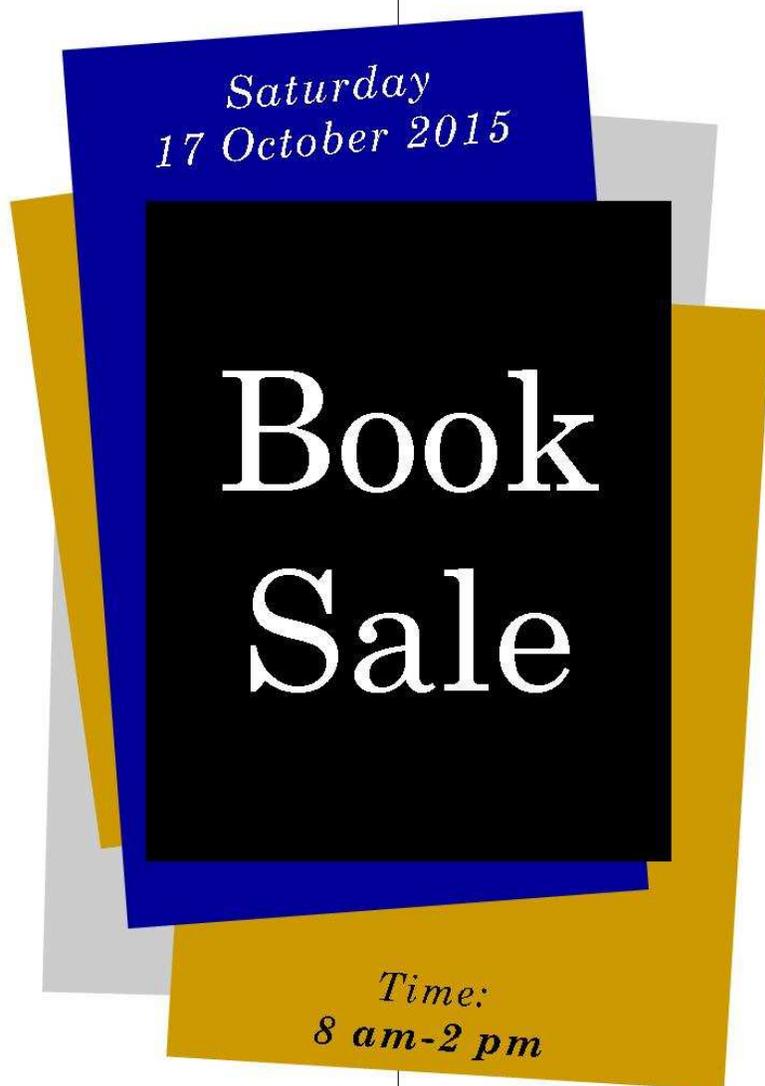
We have a lot of fun!

Business Memberships

Did you know the FOTL Library offer business Memberships?



Red polo shirt with FOTL Logo, \$18.00



The Friends of the Maricopa Public Library are hosting their annual book sale at the Santa Rosa Elementary School on Saturday, October 17th, from 8 am to 2 pm. The book sale supports the cost of the library programs such as the Summer and winter reading programs and the children's reading activities.

- *Large selection for children and young reader*
- *All genres of fiction and non-fiction*
- *We accept cash and credit no checks*
- *Audio and video selections also available at great prices*

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21400 N. Santa Rosa Drive

Between Smith-Enke and
Ranch El Dorado Parkway

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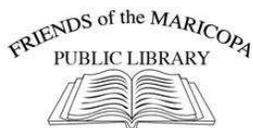
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8 am - 2 pm

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Tour Committee by Judy Babcock

The Tour Committee is excited about this seasons events listed below. The tours are open to members in good standing and their guest which we encourage you to invite. Additional information for each of these tours can be found on the website. We hope you will be able to join us as we experience Arizona.

Thurs. Sept. 10 – San Xavier Mission - <http://www.phoenixgreekfestival.org>

Sat. Oct. 10 – Locomotion - <http://ultimatearttours.com/arizona-art-tours/downtown-scottsdale-art-cultural-trolley-tours.html>

Wed. Nov 11 – Anthem Veteran’s Memorial & Arcosanti: <http://www.onlineatanthem.com/anthem-veterans-memorial> and <http://arcosanti.org/>

Fri. Dec 11 – Riparian Preserve <http://www.gilbertaz.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/parks/riparian-preserve-at-water-ranch>

Thurs. Jan 14 – Deer Valley Petro glyphs <https://shesc.asu.edu/museums/deer-valley-petroglyph-preserve>

Thurs. Feb. 11 – Rooster Cogburn Ostrich Farm <http://www.roostercogburn.com/>

Thur. Mar. 10 – Chase Field / light rail <http://arizona.diamondbacks.mlb.com/ari/ballpark/tours/index.jsp>

Thur. April 14 – Taliesin West <http://www.franklloydwright.org/taliesin-west/tickets-and-tours.html>

Thur. May 19 – AK-Chin Him-Dak Eco Museum Info: <http://azcama.org/museums/akchin>

Book Shelf News by Jeanne Crowe

We encourage our patrons to shop “locally” by purchasing books from the FOTL shelves at the library and also at Copper Sky. All proceeds benefit the library and its programs.

August Bookshelf Sales

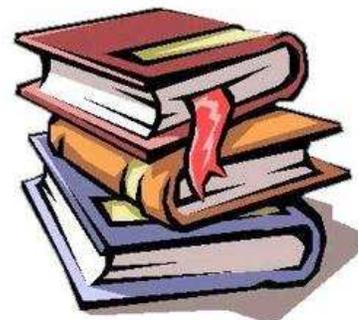
\$389.54 - Library
\$28.00 - Copper Sky
\$417.54 - Total

Last Year \$291.72
To date 2015 \$3825.25
To date 2014 \$2611.25

Copper Sky Total since Feb 17, 2015 -
\$271.69

Book Club News by Gerry Ryan

The Friends of the Library Adult Book Club meets the 4th Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in Rancho El Dorado. We always welcome new members and the book ideas they bring to us. Call 520-568-3591 for more information and the location of the meeting.



Just for Fun!!!

TITLE CHARACTERS WORD SEARCH PUZZLE



ANNA KARENINA
CARRIE
CYRANO DE BERGERAC
DON QUIXOTE
DORIAN GRAY

DRACULA
FRANKENSTEIN
HAMLET
HARRY POTTER
JANE EYRE

LOLITA
MACBETH
MATILDA
MOLL FLANDERS
OLIVER TWIST

ROBINSON CRUSOE
ROSE MADDER
SILAS MARNER
TOM JONES
TOM SAWYER

