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## Holiday Book Sale Saturday, December 1 9am to 2pm



As the year comes to a close, it's time to stock up on books for the cold, windy days ahead. The Holiday Book Sale offers a great selection of fiction, non-fiction and special interest books at bargain prices. These books have been chosen during the year because of their pristine condition (most are suitable to give as gifts) and varied content.

Scan the list of books on page three of this newsletter and check out the display cases in the library Thanksgiving week for a small sample of the books you will find at this sale. Tell your friends and attend this sale on December 1st. All proceeds of the sale will be used to support library programs.

Don't forget ..... Saturday, December 1, at the Boone County Library, 9 am - 2 pm.

## Friends of the Library Annual Meeting Thursday, November 29, 5:30pm

Friends of the Library will hold their 2012 annual meeting on Thursday, November 29, and the public is invited. The meeting will take place at 5:30 pm in the meeting room on the upper floor of the Boone County Library. It should last no longer than forty-five minutes, probably less. Highlights of Friends' activities for the past year will be presented along with the financial statement. Election of the officers for 2013 will be held and comments will be invited. All are welcome to attend.

- Greetings
- Review of 2011 Minutes
- Finances
- Activity Review
- Election of 2013 Officers
- Comments
- Adjournment

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Dear Friends,

Most readers would agree that a library exists for education and entertainment. And as most of you know, I tend to use the library for education. This is the reason I write frequently about education, which I will do now.

Our community college president, Dr. Jackie Elliott, recently presented some potentially disturbing statistics to the Harrison Noon Lions Club. I iterate for those non-Lions and non-readers of the Harrison Daily Times.

For every 10 freshmen, 5 require remediation and less than 1 will graduate with a degree within three years of study. Compare this with all two year colleges populated with both full and part time students; only 17 percent graduate within four years. And for all colleges, only 30 percent will graduate. For 4 year colleges, 41 percent will graduate within 8 years.

For Arkansans in general, Dr. Elliott cited more statistics that most of us have seen or heard before. To categorize, Arkansans older than 24 years, 18 percent have not graduated from high school, 35 percent have, nearly 19 percent have a bachelor's degree, 24 percent have some college, 6 percent have an associate degree (19 + 24 + 6 = 49 percent have attended college).

As you can recognize, Arkansas citizens are not much different than those of the average state. About 50 percent have education above the high school level.

And those entering a 4 year college, about 40 percent graduate as noted above. And as noted above, approximately 50 percent of Arkansans attempt college. The crunched numbers yield about 20 percent bachelor degrees from those attempting college.

Arkansas had about 19 percent of citizens with bachelor degrees. Of course infiltration from other states surely affects all the numbers somewhat.

What to do to boost academic outcomes? Both presidential candidates advocate more teachers. Perhaps this may not be such a good idea. Jay P. Greene, Endowed Chair and Head of the Department of Education Reform, University of Arkansas, published in the "Wall Street Journal" recently "The Imaginary Teacher Shortage." He points out that since 1970 the number of teachers have increased by 58 percent. This moved the teacher student ratio from 22.3 to 15.2.

The math and reading scores for 17 year-olds and graduation rates have remained unchanged.

Professor Greene suggests other means to improve the education of our citizens. Perhaps it's time for other means, since the last 40 years of means haven't helped much, if any. Other means will be broached at a later date.

George Cline President

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## Holiday Sale Books

## **Fiction**

Black House - Stephen King The Professional - Robert B. Parker The Litigators - John Grisham The Map in the Attic - Jolyn Sharp Ground Zero - F. Paul Wilson The Secret Supper - Javier Sierra Red Mist - Patricia Cornwell (2012) The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood - Howard Pyle The Thundering Herd - Zane Gray The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn - Mark Twain Cajun Night Before Christmas - "Trosclair" Everything's Eventual-14 Dark Tales - Stephen King Rough Weather - Robert B. Parker Scandinavian Folk and Fairy Tales

## Misc. Non-Fiction

The Amish in Their Own Words - Brad Igou The Making of Scotland - Gordon Barclay Growing up Bin Laden - Najwa Bin Laden Bad Childhood Good Life - Dr. Laura Schlessinger Nothing to Fear - Alan Axelrod The Devil's Dictionary - Ambrose Bierce The Little Big Book for Grandmothers A Hunter's Fireside Book - Gene Hill Mayflower - Nathaniel Philbrick The Templer Legacy - Steve Berry Highland History - I. F. Grant Women's Devotional Bible True West - Arts Traditions, Celebrations - Christine Mather Our Dumb Century - The Onion

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Come Home to Dinner - Betty Crocker Soup and Bread - Crescent Dragonwagon The Lady and Sons - Paula Deen (2 vols.) Slim Ways with Chicken - Weight Watchers How to Cook Without a Book - Pam Anderson Gifts from the Christmas Kitchen - Favorite Brand Names Serving Up the Harvest - Andrea Chesman Recipes from the Mill - Sarah E. Myers

## **Children**

Black Beauty - Anna Sewell The Lion & the Mouse - Jerry Pinkney The Cat in the Hat - Dr. Seuss The Sign of the Twisted Candles - Carolyn Keene (Nancy Drew mystery) Sara - Books 1, 2, 3 - Esther and Jerry Hicks Treasure Island - Robert Louis Stevenson Read-Aloud Myths & Legends - For parent and child to share

In addition to all the above, a selection of Classical, Country and Pop CD's will also be offered.







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## Fall Book Sale Results

Thank you, thank you, thank you to the many volunteers and customers at our Fall Book Sale. The three day total was a near record \$4764.84. The volunteers truly deserve a heartfelt thank you for working extra shifts as we were a little shorthanded. And it is with continued donations from all of you that make our sales possible. It is estimated that we sold over 170 boxes of books, so keep those donations coming.

With sincere gratitude we acknowledge the following volunteers who invested a total of 253 hours helping in so many ways with the sale.

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## Spring and Fall (1880)

To a young child

Margaret, are you grieving Over Goldengrove unleaving? Leaves, like the things of man, you With your fresh thoughts care for, can you? Ah! as the heart grows older It will come to such sights colder By and by, nor spare a sigh Though worlds of wanwood leafmeal lie; And yet you will weep and know why. Now no matter, child, the name: Sorrow's springs are the same. Nor mouth had, no nor mind, expressed What heart heard of, ghost guessed: It is the blight man was born for, It is Margaret you mourn for. Gerard Manley Hopkins (1844-1889)



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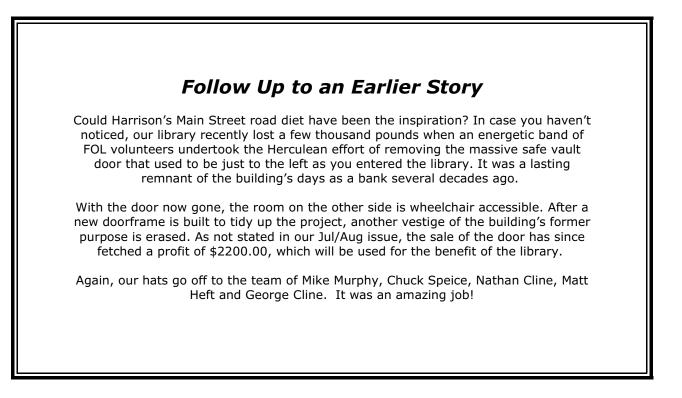
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