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## Letter from the Prez:

### **COUNTDOWN TO THE BOOKSALE!**

Dear Friends,

The Book Sale's coming! Weather is no excuse to miss it. If it's back to being Duluth's normal chilly and dank, you can come in to warm yourself up and stock up on your winter reading. And if it's steaming outdoors, come on in to cool off and find some cool reads. (More info below and at <http://www.duluth.lib.mn.us/Programs/BookSale.html> )

Remember that all of the proceeds from the book sale are donated to the Duluth Public Library. Last year your purchases enabled us to grant more than \$25,000 to DPL to support programs and buy materials and equipment for Library patrons. All of the staff you see at the sale are **volunteers**. If you would like to be one of the Book Sale Family (aka, the Chosen Few) and earn our eternal gratitude, please complete the enclosed form and return it to the address at the top. *We need you!*

The members-only pre-sale will be Tuesday August 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. We'll start handing out numbers at 8:30 a.m. and the membership tables will open at 9:00 for you to renew your membership and join in the pre-sale. Better yet, renew now using the renewal form on the back and be ready for August 18<sup>th</sup>! This is one of the biggest perks of being a member of the Friends, so **set your alarm clocks** and take advantage of your sale day. **Please note: We will not allow wheeled carts or wheeled bags in the sale rooms during the pre-sale.**

The Public sale will be held Wednesday and Thursday, August 19-20 and the Bag Sale will be Friday August 21. Patrons with disabilities who can't maneuver in the normal crush of things will have time to look at the materials at a calmer period. Wednesday morning, August 19, from 9-10 a.m. we will welcome people with disabilities to look for bargains before the crowds arrive.

We'll again hold a Silent Auction upstairs in the North Shore Room. Take the time to look over the beautiful, unique items that we have set aside for special consideration. These items are the cream of our book-sale crop, including some lovely children's books. We have some very reasonably priced volumes in this year's sale. Who knows what bargains you might reap?

The Friends are partnering with Barnes & Noble on a BN Bookfair, Saturday, August 22. Save the enclosed voucher, use it at BN on Saturday August 22, and at least 10% of your net purchase will be donated to the Friends. **Everything we earn at the BN Bookfair on August 22 will be donated by the Friends to the Duluth Public Library.**

In case you missed it, our 2009 Annual Meeting, held May 15, was fun. We welcomed Carla Powers, the new manager at the Library, on her second day of work. We also reviewed our accomplishments for the past year, thanked the many people who have made these accomplishments possible, and gave an additional gift to the Library of \$8,000. That brings our total gifts to DPL for this fiscal year to \$33,000 – a new record! Thank you, everyone, for helping to make this possible.

Mystery in the Stacks with William Kent Krueger was a delightful evening. Kent spoke about how he became the author of the tremendous Cork O'Connor series, read from his new book, *Heaven's Keep*. - and left us hanging! (Watch for it to come out on September 1st of this year.) Savorie's Catering provided a delectable salad buffet and Anita Zager of Northern Lights Books and Gifts helped everyone fill in the gaps in their home-library Krueger collections. It was a lot of fun! Please join our e-mail list. Drop us a note at [dplfriendsof@yahoo.com](mailto:dplfriendsof@yahoo.com) . We are assembling an e-mail list of our members to help us to get information to you more quickly and to get ideas and opinions from you on things we are considering. Eventually, we hope to use it to save money by sending our newsletter electronically to those who wish to receive it that way. More information on the Friends is on the web at <http://www.duluth.lib.mn.us/CS/Friends.html>

Until next time,

Adele Krusz,

President of the Friends of the Duluth Public Library

### Upcoming dates to remember:

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**Friday, August 21:** **Bag Day**– a grocery bag full of Green Room books for a tremendous price!

**Saturday, August 22:** Barnes and Noble **Bookfair** for the Friends of the Library. See the enclosed voucher for your use.

## ATTENTION

The book sale committee wishes to inform those who are thinking of donating books to the August sale , the books must be donated by Friday July 17th. Lack of storage space has made this a necessity .

Donations will be accepted after August 31 for next years sale. These can be dropped off at the Main Library or either branch.

Thank you all who have given to the book sales.  
HCJ

### Book Sale Highlights

We've received some wonderful donations for the Book Sale in these categories:

- Art and architecture
  - Cooking
  - Music books and sheet music
  - Faulkner criticism in the Gold Room
  - Finer children's materials in the Gold Room
  - Vinyl LP Records in many categories
- And much, much more!

### *Calling all Book Sale shoppers with disabilities*

If you are wheelchair bound or have to use a walker or a cane, getting through the regular crush of buyers at the Book Sale can be very difficult. At the suggestion of one of our customers, we are adding an hour from 9:00-10:00 on Wednesday morning for people with handicaps to browse for bargains.

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### *Great quote:*

“Knowledge is free at the library. Just bring your own container.”

- Unknown found at [http://www.useful-information.info/quotations/library\\_quotes.html](http://www.useful-information.info/quotations/library_quotes.html)

## **BN BOOKFAIR TO BENEFIT THE FRIENDS AND, THEREFORE, THE LIBRARY, SATURDAY AUGUST 22**

We're very excited about the chance to work with Barnes and Noble in supporting the Duluth Public Library. If you have back-to-school or end-of-summer shopping to do, or if you want to enjoy some great local authors and music, consider visiting Barnes and Noble on **Saturday August 22** and putting some of your money where your heart is. Buy books, CDs, chocolate, DVDs, chocolate, coffee, chocolate, gifts, magazines, chocolate... (you get the idea). At the cashier, present your voucher (see enclosed) or mention the Friends of the Library, and at least 10% of your purchase will come to the Friends. Duluth Public will have a Wish List at Barnes which can benefit them two ways. Buy an item off the Wish List and both that item and a portion of your purchase price will be donated. At various times during the day you will find Louis Jenkins, Stephen Dahl, and Jim Heffernan signing their latest books and Georgeanne Hunter playing her harp. The morning Storytime will include animals from the Lake Superior Zoo. What a day it's going to be!

Vouchers will be available at the Library and at the Book Sale. Send us an e-mail ( [dplfriendsof@yahoo.com](mailto:dplfriendsof@yahoo.com) ) and we will e-mail back a voucher that you can send to all of your pals and colleagues. Spread the word and spread the vouchers!

## **iFilms are back!**

We've had some good news from the Library. The iFilms series will be back in the Fall. iFilms has been a very popular series since its inception and we're pleased to cooperate with Duluth Public Library to bring these excellent independent, international films to our community. Watch the DPL website (<http://www.duluth.lib.mn.us> ) for more information. Here's the list for September 2009-January 2010. More later!

***September 19, 2009 - "The Pope's Toilet" - Uruguay - 90 minutes - in Spanish - 2007***

It's 1988, and a small Uruguayan town awaits the visit of the Pope. A petty crook plans to build a water closet in front of his home and charge for its use. This brings about unexpected consequences, and the final results will surprise everyone.

***October 17, 2009 - "Lake Tahoe" - Mexico - 85 minutes - in Spanish - 2008***

After a teenager crashes his family's car, he seeks help to repair it. He meets three compelling characters, whose worlds drag him into a day-long journey where he will come to accept what he was escaping from in the first place.

***November 21, 2009 - "Under the Bombs" - France - 98 minutes - in Arabic - 2007***

During a cease-fire in the Lebanon-Israel conflict of 2006, a Christian taxi driver brings an untraditional Shiite woman from Beirut to the heart of the conflict. As they scour the rubble searching for her son, they discover they have much in common.

***January 16, 2010 - "The Country Teacher" - Czech Republic - 117 min. - in Czech - 2008***

An introverted teacher takes a job in a little Czech village. He seems to be looking for, or running from, something. He seems to be finding a place for himself there, but, contrary to expectation, it is a little more perverse than you might expect.

***Renew your membership for 2009, in time for the August Book Sale!***

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a ***tax-deductible*** check made payable to Friends of the Duluth Public Library

Basic \$10

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**I am interested in volunteering**

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