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FOSL Book Sale

By Charles Draper and Sara Abalt

The Friends of the Salem Library Book Sale is *bigger than ever in 2009*. The sale will be open to the public on Friday afternoon for the first time. *The Friday Members' Sale is rescheduled to the morning*. It is followed by the Members' Luncheon.

Study the schedule below so you won't miss out. Book Sale is just a few weeks away:

- Members-Only Sale Friday, September 11: 10:00 'till noon
- Members Luncheon follows the member's sale at 12 noon. (RSVP, see page 4)
- Following the Member's Luncheon, the Sale is *open to the public between 2:00 to 4:00 PM*.
- Book Sale Saturday, September 12; 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Open to the general public.
- Clearance Sale Sunday, September 13; 1:30 to 4:00 PM. Open to the general public.

Paid-up members of the Friends of the Salem Library can get first selection of books by attending the Members' Only Sale. The members are also invited to the Members Luncheon on the same day hosted by the staff of the Salem Library. See the invitation on Page 4. **Remember; RSVP.**



Volunteers: Many of you reading this have been working at the library these August mornings helping prepare the sale. There is still much more to be done before, during, and after the sale. We hope you will help. We need volunteers:

- Now through Thursday, Sept. 10- Preparation - 9:00 – 12:00 am Unpack and sort, arrange tables, and mark items that are specially priced. Sit-down jobs are available.
- Friday, September 11 - Members' and Public Sales – Tally and bag sales. Keep tables full and neat and straighten up after 4:00 pm.
- Saturday, September 12 – BOOK SALE - 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Distribute shopping bags, tally and bag sales and keep tables full and neat.
- Sunday, September 13 - Clearance Sale - 1:30 - 4:00 pm Explain how the sale works and keep tables as neat as possible.
- Monday, September 14 - Cleanup – 9:00am Pack up remaining items, collect odds and ends that must be stored for next year and generally restore order to the community room.

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Book Donations: *It's not too late to donate books.* Please cull your own book shelves and encourage others to donate. *But hurry, we can only accept books up through September 9.* We need:

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| Fiction - non-fiction. Hardback and paperbacks | Audio: CDs and Audio books |
| Cookbooks | Video DVDs |
| Sheet music | Please NO magazines, no Reader's Digest Condensed Books, textbooks, or encyclopedias |

Questions? Please call FOSL's Book Sale Chairman, Sara Ahalt at 389-3802. ◇

FOSL Helps Start New Library Program

By Lisa Dinkle

This past spring the FOSL group donated funds to initiate a Spring Reading Program for Adults. The program ran from March 1st – May 15th, 2009. The Spring Reading Program for Adults consisted of 78 participants ages 18 and above who were encouraged to read or listen to 3 books and then fill out an entry form that was entered into weekly drawings for prizes. The final entries show that 281 books were read or listened to by the participants. Library staff determined this start up program was a terrific success in connecting readers with books and community outreach.

The library staff held ten weekly drawings during March, April, and May. Each week a uniquely themed prize was awarded to the chosen patron. The themes included A Night In, Coffee Lover's Delight, Love My Car, Salem is the Best, Beach Escape, A Health Me, Picnic Fun, Mystery, Sport's Fan, and Pamper Yourself. Each weekly winner received his or her prize in a library tote bag, which was funded by the FOSL contribution to the program. These funds also helped purchase prize items that were not donated by library staff or by the community.

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Lisa (right) and Grand Prize winner Barbara Martin. The Grand Prize of \$100.00 was graciously donated by Friend's member Dorothy Davis.

Weekly Winners and Prizes

Week One - A Night In - Elizabeth Williams

Week Two – Coffee Lover's Delight - Rebecca Williams

Week Three – Love My Car – Sara Taylor

Week Four – Pamper Yourself! – Mary Geres

Week Five – Sport's Fan – Pam Kendall

Week Six – Salem is the Best! – Holly Westervelt

Week Seven – A Healthy Me! – Cynthia Overton

Week Eight – Picnic Fun – Alexandra Zmudka

Week Nine – Beach Escape – Iris Moore

Week Ten – Mystery – Barbara Martin

Grand Prize – \$100 - Barbara Martin ◇



Student's Art Show and Reception

By Charles Draper

For the second year, the Friends of the Salem Library sponsored a Student's Art Show and Reception on May 17, 2009. Children from the Salem school system submitted over 100 pieces of art. George Washington Carver, South Salem Elementary, and West Salem Elementary were all represented.

The Friends furnished refreshments and decorations. Dorothy Davis arranged the beautiful centerpiece. Janis Augustine and her library staff mailed invitations and did a super job with the physical arrangement of the show.

We don't have a count on how many students and their parents attended but, as you will see from the photos, that the attendance was excellent. Your editor was amazed at the quality of the student's work.

The art remained on display through May 29 for the enjoyment of the Library patrons.

FOSL and the Library Staff hope to do it again next year. ◇



Parents and students enjoy the show



Noah McCroskey shows us his art (top item)

See www.salemlibrary.info/friends.html for the FOSL web site. Membership forms, current and past newsletters, and much more info.

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Membership dues (other than Life) are on an annual basis and are payable January 1 of each year. **Consult your mailing label.** If the date shown is prior to 2009, please renew your membership. Remember, your dues must be current to attend the Member's Luncheon and Book Sale.

Important Dates

By the Editor

The FOSL meetings are held on the 2nd Sunday of the scheduled Month. Meetings start at **2 PM** and last for approximately one hour.

- **August 1 through September 10**, Book Sale preparation in Library Meeting Room
- **September 11 through 13**, FOSL Book Sale (Sept 12, Olde Salem Days)
- **September 14**, Meeting Room Cleanup
- **October 11**, regular meeting
- **January 10, 2010**, regular meeting, *election of Officers and Board*

Remember, the more we participate, the more we can render support to the Salem Library

MEMBERS LUNCHEON

Members of the Friends of the Salem Library are invited to the Members Luncheon on:

Friday, September 11 at 12:00 noon

Please RSVP to 375-3089 or e-mail library@ci.salem.va.us



Remember: Members' sale starts at 10:00AM this year