



Friends raise nearly \$9,000 at Fall Used Book Sale



By Kaitlynn Copinger

Friends of the Knox County Public Library raised \$8,800 at our Fall Used Book Sale! About 1,000 people attended the weekend-long sale, which took place Sept. 19-21 at Central United Methodist Church, to purchase new-to-them books, CDs, audiobooks, and DVDs.

We couldn't run the sale without help from our volunteers, and this year, we had fantastic community support. Volunteers from Knoxville Utilities Board, ORNL, Pellissippi State Community College, Lincoln Memorial University, and U.S. Air Force Reserve supported about 50 FOL volunteers.

Our Air Force volunteers, based out of McGhee Tyson, had such a great time, they plan to volunteer every month with the Friends!

It was an extra special weekend for Jean Idell, one of our oldest and longest-serving members, who celebrated her 88th birthday during the sale. "She said this was the best birthday she's ever had in her life," said Sheryl Hulse, the Friends coordinator, in an email. "She's never had so many people come by to wish her a happy birthday."

After the sale, more than 1,500 books were distributed to community partners, including 11 Little Free Libraries. Check your local Little Library to see if it is freshly stocked!

Thank you to everyone who shopped, volunteered, and supported us! All proceeds go to support Knox County Public Library.

Oct. 8 meeting set to discuss sales

Friends president Scott Muir invites any interested members to a discussion on how the Sales and Distribution Committee can refocus more of its energies toward eBay sales. This will be an open discussion on how we might best use our volunteers, our spaces, our resources, and what we might need for the future. People who have toured the Blount County facilities will share their experiences and observations.

The meeting will be in the Community Room in Lawson McGhee Library on Tuesday, October 8, from 10 until noon.

Members-only holiday sale set for Nov. 14

Mark November 14 on your calendar for a new and special members-only holiday sale for Friends of the Library. Board members will supply cookies and cider to enjoy while you browse gently used books for children and adults suitable for gift giving and holiday-related books and other merchandise to enjoy and share. The sale will be held at Cedar Bluff Branch Library from 5 to 7 pm on the 14th.

The Sales and Distribution Committee is gathering inventory for the sale. If you have gently used and/or holiday books you'd like to donate, please bring them to the Cedar Bluff Library, [9045 Cross Park Drive](#).

Outdoor gallery dedicated to Julie Webb



By Susan Alexander

The East Tennessee History Center unveiled its outdoor gallery of historic photos from the McClung Historical Collection on Sept. 6, the birthday of the late Julie Dossett Webb, to whom the gallery is dedicated. Webb was a longtime active member of Friends of the Library, and Friends donated to help fund the exhibit in her honor.

Fourteen historic photos are included in the exhibit, which is located in the alley between the history center and One Center Square. They are printed on outdoor vinyl banner material. "The images are from the Roger Hoffman Howell Collection, and we chose them in part because his is an under-seen but fantastic collection of black-and-white and color photographs of the Smoky Mountains and hikers from 1935 to 1940," says Eric Dawson, McClung Historical Collection Manager.

Dawson says they plan to change the photos every 10 to 14 months in response to History Center programs and/or community initiatives.

"The alley faces two buildings with hundreds of employees who walk by and see the images

daily,” he said. “The alley is also used by many other downtown dwellers and workers, and we’re glad the photographs liven up the alley with bucolic scenes of the Smokies.”

Membership campaign launches

By Crystal Ellwood

We are excited to kick off our membership campaign beginning October 1. Join Friends of the Library now or renew your membership, which lasts through December 2025. Please be on the lookout for the membership campaign invitation arriving soon in your mailbox and support our public library!

Our annual campaign coincides with the American Library Association’s National Friends of the Library Week happening October 20-26. What better time to celebrate Friends of the Knox County Public Library by providing crucial support to our library system?. Thank you for being a member!

Saturday programming grows at library branches

The Library has increased weekend programming with something going on every Saturday! Saturday Stories and Songs are back at 11 am on October 19 at Norwood with the Hominy Mamas and 11 on October 26 at Halls with Miss Lynn. On October 5, plan for the perfect pairing of the Markets Square Farmers Market and Saturdays with author/illustrator Daniel Wiseman at Lawson McGhee Library at 11. For families in the Karns area who can’t make it downtown, the KSO quartet is coming to the Karns Branch Library for a musical storytime, also at 11. Check the [online calendar](#) for more KSO musical storytimes.

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- Oct 5 | 10:00 | Norwood | [Ask a Master Gardener](#)
- Oct 5 | 11:00 | Karns | [KSO Musical Storytime](#)
- Oct 5 | 10:30 | Cedar Bluff | [Cedar Bluff Builders Club](#)
- Oct 5 | 11:00 | Lawson McGhee | [Saturdays with the author: Daniel Wiseman](#)
- Oct 5 & 26 | 11:00 | Fountain City | [Crafty Saturday](#)
- Oct 5 & 26 | 1:00 | Lawson McGhee | [TN Stage Company's New Play Festival](#)

- Oct 12 | 1:00 | Powell | [Lego Club](#)
- Oct 12 | 2:00 | Karns | [Lego Club \(New date!\)](#)
- Oct 19 | 11:00 | North Knoxville | [Saturday Stories & Songs -- Hominy Mamas](#)
- Oct 19 | 12:00 | Cedar Bluff | [The Chronicles of Yarnia!](#)
- Oct 20 | 1:30 | Lawson McGhee | [Daytime Docs -- 306 Hollywood \(2018\)](#)
- Oct 26 | 11:00 | Halls | [Saturday Stories & Songs -- Miss Lynn](#)
- Oct 26 | 1:00 | Norwood | [60th Anniversary Party](#)
- Oct 26 | 2:00 | Cedar Bluff | [Trick or Treat \(storytime, treats, costumes, and crafts\)](#)

World's Fair walking tour and scavenger hunt Oct. 6

Harken back to the year 1982 with us! Join Laura Still for a walking tour and scavenger hunt in World's Fair Park. This tour is fun for all ages, but it definitely has kids in mind. You'll learn fun facts about the theme of the 1982 Exposition, the everyday wonders that were introduced there, and see how structures from the golden age of Knoxville's industrial revolution were transformed into the site of the biggest party Knoxville ever hosted.

Meet at the base of the Sunsphere at 2:30 pm on Sunday, October 6, and be prepared to wander through the park to find remnants of the legacy of the fair and more!

Bag a bargain at Rothrock



A bag of books will cost \$5 at Rothrock Used Book Shop in Lawson McGhee Library in October.

Rothrock is open Monday to Saturday from 10:30am - 4:30pm and Sundays from 1:00pm - 4:30pm. Start shopping today!

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