



Torrance Library Times

Newsletter of the Friends of the Torrance Library

Fall Book Sale October 21-23

Friday, October 21, 2 – 6 PM for Members only preview. (Memberships from \$5 sold at the door from 1 PM. Memberships bought at this sale will be valid through 2017.)

Saturday, October 22, 9 AM – 4 PM
Open to the public.

Sunday, October 23, 1 – 4 PM
Fill a paper grocery bag with a combination of books, CDs, DVDs, or tapes for only \$5. Open to the public.

The October book sale will include large collections of comics, including adult comics, and role-playing game books. In the War category, there are a large number of books on Viet Nam. The audio-visual room will have lots of jazz CDs and a new category of Christmas CDs.

All books are sorted by category. Our hardback fiction, sci-fi and mystery books are alphabetized by author.

Our Unique Tables feature many beautiful, high quality books, along with unusual items. See sample page 2.

Newsletter Online Only?

If you would like to receive only the online version, send an email to news@friendsofthetorrancelibrary.org with your name and postal mailing address, or renew your membership online.

Instructions for how to let us know that you wish to continue to receive the printed copy will be included with the membership renewal in the next newsletter.

The Friends Have a Website



FRIENDS OF THE TORRANCE LIBRARY

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home Who We Are What We Do Membership Support Us Book Sales Newsletter Volunteer Book Donations Contact Us 	<p>WHY DOES A LIBRARY NEED FRIENDS? Because a library is only as great as the community that supports it.</p> <p>The Torrance Library is a cultural, educational and recreational asset to the community. Tax revenues provide only the basics. Friends ensure that our library has the resources it needs by raising funds to supplement programs and services.</p> <p>We hope you will join us by becoming a member, volunteering, making a donation, and coming to our book sales.</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; background-color: #fff; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> NEXT BOOK SALE OCTOBER 21-23 </div> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; background-color: #fff; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Join our e-mail list</p> <input style="width: 90%;" type="text" value="E-mail address"/> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 2px 5px; font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">Subscribe</div> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;"> find us on facebook </div> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; background-color: #fff; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-size: x-small;"> Visit the Torrance Public Library </div>
<div style="text-align: center;">  <p style="font-size: x-small; margin: 0;">Friends of the Torrance Library as seen on Torrance CitiCABLE, produced by Hope Witkowsky for Senior Scene, March 2015.</p> <p style="font-size: x-small; margin: 0;">Copyright 2016 Friends of the Torrance Library</p> </div>		

We are thrilled to announce that we now have a website:

friendsofthetorrancelibrary.org

Our website includes lots of information about how the Friends support the Torrance Public Library, our volunteer opportunities, how to donate books, and much more.

Becoming a member or renewing your membership is now easily done on our website. No more paper forms or stamps!

We have a whole page devoted to the next sale, including unusual items, prices, etc.

Be sure to check out the video on our home page. This is a documentary about the January 2015 Friends' sale, produced by Hope Witkowsky for Senior Scene on Torrance CitiCABLE.

The Friends' Facebook Page

We have a Facebook page, so now you can find us on Facebook!

With Appreciation

Our first combined book sale in July was a big hit. Many thanks to all the book lovers who bought our books, and thanks also to those whose book donations make our sales possible.

Prices

Both hardback and paperback books have fixed prices for each type of book. No more looking in the book for a price or adding the individual prices at checkout.

Price Schedule

Hardback \$1.50
Mass market paperback (pocketbook) 50¢
Trade paperback \$1.00
Oversize paperback (includes "Dummies" size books) \$1.50
Children 50¢
Sheet music 50¢
Romance \$2/bag
Unique as marked

Audiovisual Prices

DVDs \$2 each or as marked
Blu-ray \$3 each or as marked
CDs \$1 each or as marked
Tapes and records 50¢ each
Books on CD as marked

Next Book Sale

Friday, January 27, 2-6 PM
(members only)
Saturday, January 28, 9 AM - 4 PM (open to public)
Sunday, January 29, 1-4 PM - Bag Sale
(open to public)

A Sampling of Unique Books

Our Unique Tables include books that are unusual, out-of-the ordinary, noteworthy and sometimes bizarre.

Art

The Hours of Catherine of Cleves, Braziller, pub. 1976?

The Way of the Brush: Painting Techniques of China and Japan, van Briessen, 1966

Of interest to the young and young at heart

The Ancient Egypt Pack

The Little Prince Deluxe Pop-up Book, de Saint-Exupéry

Literature

The Complete Works of Tobias Smollett, 1902 (8 volumes)

Gulliver's Travels, Franklin Library, 1974

The Shakespeare Library in Ten Volumes, 2005

Collections

Cars (classic, muscle, etc.)
Gambling

Other items of interest

New Catholic Encyclopedia, 1967 (15 vols. plus 1979 supplements)

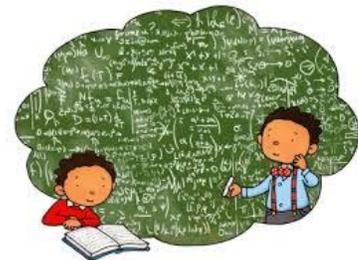
Pogo: The Complete Syndicated Comic Strips (vols. 1-2)

Birds and Flowers of the Fifty States: A Collection of U.S. Commemorative Stamps, 1982

Many more are listed on our new website
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Summer Reading Program, Read for the Win

Summer Reading Program, Read for the Win was a rousing success as Library staff prepares for our next Friends sponsored initiative, First Grade Outreach!



Thanks to the very generous support of the Friends of the Torrance Library, the Youth Services Department offered two wonderfully exciting, fun-filled Summer Reading Programs for 2016. More than 4,370 children and more than 1,505 tweens and teens enrolled in our summer reading programs for youths. We continued with our simplified program that allowed users to go to any library branch to register or complete the program and saw our completion totals increase by 29.5% overall. Another highlight of the program, included in our improved statistics, the Read to Me program for our earliest library users and their caregivers has grown from 364 children registered in 2014 to 1,183 in 2016.

The reading incentives emphasized interaction with the library, encouraged reading, and prompted the program's theme. This year readers collected a bright yellow reusable bag at registration, half-way through the program they received a floppy flier, and upon completion of their reading goal, a brand new book and a certificate of completion.

Our teen and tween participants collected a \$5 gift card (or a new book) when they completed their 15 hour reading goal, and an opportunity drawing ticket that entered them in our grand prize drawings. Tween/Teen grand prize drawing prizes included gift cards to Target, Barnes & Noble, and AMC Theaters.

The Friends' funding helped us offer a wide range of programs that supported the Read for the Win theme. Programs included Fantastick Patrick, Noteworthy Puppets, John Abrams Animal Magic and Juggler David Cousin. In addition to our performer programs children eagerly participated in several story and craft programs facilitated by Torrance Public Library staff.

First Grade Outreach

Now that Torrance students have returned to school, the library is focusing our efforts on First Grade Outreach. This program is funded by a generous donation from the Friends of the Torrance Library. This initiative has the goal of assuring that every first grader in the Torrance Community has a Torrance Public Library card. The children who participate receive a new paperback book and a colorful wallet for their new library card!

The Torrance Public Library staff and patrons are exceedingly thankful for the continued support of the Friends of the Torrance Library!

Thanks to our 2016 Summer Reading Program Sponsors!

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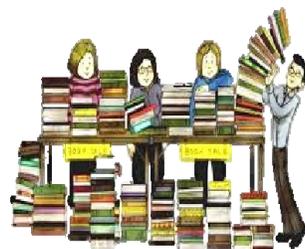
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Please join us for our fall book sale!
Paperback & Hardback Sale on October 21 & 22
Plus \$5 Bag Sale From 1-4 on October 23

Wanted: New Home For Old Books

Cleaning out that garage now that the kids are off to school? Moving or looking to find a place for all those books taking up space or gathering dust? Just looking for a way to simplify your life while supporting a worthy cause? Well look no further!

The Friends of the Library are in need of your book donations (old, new, paperback, hardback, fiction/non-fiction, textbooks, literature, children's books and more) for our book sales. All profits from sales go directly to library sponsored programs (Summer Reading Program, author speaker series, etc.). Leave any small book donations in our convenient drop box located just inside the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library entrance. For large donations, come to the back of the library and ring the bell for assistance. We'll even provide a receipt for your tax deductible contribution! What could be simpler and kinder than donating a book?



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