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#### SPRING FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE EARNS \$24K

The spring Friends of the Library Book Sale earned a gross amount of \$24,657.73 that will benefit the Southeast Steuben County Library.

The Friends of the Library, SSCL said it was a successful sale with more than 30 thousand books as well as games, movies and more.

Book Sale Committee member Fran Tempel said that customers really liked the organization of the books, particularly the children's section.

The Friends have begun to utilize ceiling hanging signs like those in department stores to help shoppers find what they want more quickly.

Ron Burdo, also on the committee, thanked the volunteers for their hard work. Throughout the year volunteers organize and store donations. When it's book sale time the volunteers kick into high gear, like Santa's workshop. The books are packed and moved to the fire hall for sale, then unpacked and laid out for shoppers. Books of particularly high quality and collectability are individually researched prior to the sale and priced. These are displayed on the Specials table. Volunteers welcome the shoppers, help them sign up to become Friends and keep the books organized throughout the sale. Afterwards, they dismantle the sale and move the remaining books.

"A highly organized and dedicated group of volunteers, who work tirelessly throughout the year and during the (spring and fall) sales, make this an unqualified success. They are constantly striving to improve the sale and its value to the community and the library," Burdo wrote in an email.

Variety also makes the sale popular. In terms of what shoppers are looking for and what to donate for future sales, any of the following are in high demand: local history, glass technology, fiction and nonfiction best sellers, books by Bill Bryson and Jon Krakauer, books about trains, guns and fly fishing and books concerned with caring for children with disabilities.

Book Sale Co-Chair Nancy Doutt also thanked the public for its continued support of the sales through donations and shopping.

While summer begins to wind down, now is a good time to clean out bookshelves and make donations for the Friends Fall Book Sale, which will be held Oct. 4-11.

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