The Friendly Bookworm

Fall 2020

Newsletter of the Friends of the Sault Ste. Marie Public Library

Message from President Sue Hall -

The Friends would like to welcome everyone back to our very different Sault Ste. Marie Public Library. We are very lucky here in the Sault to have had our library services in some form through most of the Covid-19 pandemic . . . whether it is curb-side book check-out or on-line Children's Story Time.

The Friends Bookstore was closed for exactly six months, re-opening September 14th. A small group of volunteers, masked and distanced, began reorganizing, purging and tidying in early August.

Our "B" grade books were given away in "pop-up Little Free Libraries" around town. We also gave away boxes of books to any of the nursing homes that wanted them.

In November we started accepting donations. Thankfully, all the generous book lovers of our community saved their books for us and have been steadily dropping them off. Once again, we are stocked with great books . . . from leather-bound classics to the latest thrillers.

Volunteer Shane Kirkby loads magazines onto the rack.

Lots of new titles in "nearly new"

I know that some of the volunteers are anxious to get back to work. The shortened library hours will continue into the foreseeable future unfortunately. Please check the Public Library website for any updates.

Also note that your current 2020 Friends membership will continue through 2021 for a free extension.

Thank you everyone and have a safe and joyous Holiday Season.

We are now accepting donations –

Donations will be received at the lower level Bay Street entrance during the library's operating hours.

You will be asked to put your donations in the Program Room where they will quarantine for 72 hours.

Impacts of COVID -

Hours

Please note we are only open weekday afternoons from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Store occupancy

We only have three customers in the store at one time. This makes social distancing possible., Remember to keep on your mask!

Children's books have overflowed their shelves

Bookstore Hours

Monday - Friday
1– 5 p.m.

Friday - Saturday

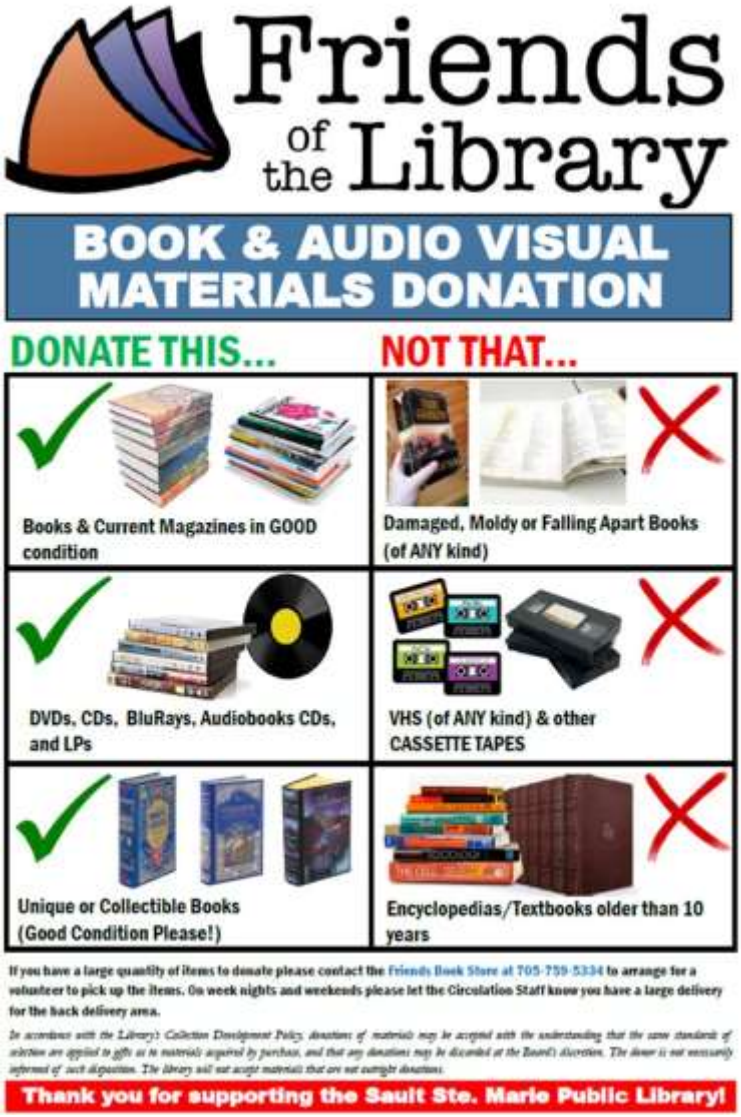
Closed

Lower Level
James L. McIntyre Centennial Library.

Prices - Most books - $1

Nearly new and collectibles – prices as marked

Romance	$1 Harlequin's 3/$1
Children's books	50 cents each or 3/$1
Magazines	25 cents each or 5/$1
DVDs	$1
CD's	50 cents each
VHS tapes and LPs	free



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