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MAKING A DIFFERENCE As a volunteer, your dedication and support makes a huge difference in the efficient running of Books Around the Corner, our Sun City Libraries, and the Friends organization. Our Board of Directors thanks you and wants to share some of what we do on the Board. **Knowing more about us** and our work may surprise you. It might even inspire you to do more for an organization that you are already involved with and are passionate about.



Friends February, 2023, Board Meeting

Our Board meets **once a month** to review and discuss a variety of topics. Matters addressed include: approving funding for equipment and supplies; reviewing our budget and finance direction; coordinating with RCSC; reviewing publicity; advertising; exploring outreach efforts; discussing Bookstore specials, procedure and needs; planning events for volunteers; and considering new ideas for committee work.

As you can tell, we are **actively involved** in governing, in the business of impacting the community, and realizing our mission: “To enhance the community through support for Sun City Libraries.” **We invite you to join us, and expand your volunteer activities by being on the Board.** Here are a few of the many personal and social **benefits**:

- Participate in community outreach activities
- Be a part of brainstorming ways to help Sun City residents access our services and support reading literacy
- Serve on specific Committees that interest you



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- Have a say and vote on financial matters, purchases, and expenses
- Satisfy your philanthropic need to interact with others about vital community matters
- Share your talents and expertise, and educate others
- Use your leadership and past experiences to serve on a committee
- Contribute your writing abilities
- Enjoy fellowship in working with other Board members, volunteers, and library staff
- Leave a legacy of love for libraries and literacy

If you'd like to be part of a fun and diverse group of library devotees or have any questions, go to our website, www.suncityfriends.org, and use our **online contact form** to let us know. Diane or Irene will get back to you.

BOOKS AROUND THE CORNER

The Bookstore will be initiating a new communication instrument to its volunteers called **Bookstore Notes**. The first edition should be out near the end of February.

Bookstore volunteers should check the email list on the bulletin board in the office to assure that your **email address is correct**.

The February half price sale continues on books about **presidents** and their families, and all **biographies**.

A Bookstore **survey** indicated most customers get their information about monthly sales from Library signs.

OFFICER ELECTION At the February 9, 2023, Friends Board of Directors meeting, the following **officers** were elected for the next year (pictured left to right): Sue Blechl, President; Jennie O'Leary, Vice-President; Joyce Voss, Secretary; Jessica Potter Slider, Treasurer.





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RCSC REPRESENTATIVE Jean Totten was recently named by the RCSC Board to be its representative to the Friends Board of Directors.



Jean was born and raised in Rochester, New York. She married her high school sweetheart. They have lived in Idaho, Oregon, New Mexico, and in a RV for about five years following their retirements in 2013 and 2014. They moved to Sun City in 2019. Jean and her husband have two daughters, five grand

children, and two great grandchildren. She had a variety of work experiences in food service and technical assistance.

REMINDER With the continuation of COVID, **mask use** is encouraged in the Bookstore because of its close quarters.

LAST ISSUE The **first issue** of the *Friends Volunteer Newsletter* was sent February, 2017. It was established to improve volunteer communication.

COVID has significantly adjusted the Friends programs and method of operation. A review of the Friends **current outreach** to volunteers, indicates a need to change our method of communicating with our volunteers.

As a result of the communication review, this will be the **last issue** of the *Friends Volunteer Newsletter*. It has served its purpose for six years. Now is the time to move on. As new means of volunteer outreach are developed, you will be informed. Volunteers are the strength of this organization. We want the best way to keep you “in the know.”



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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,
This issue of the Volunteer Newsletter will be its last. Due to changing circumstances and needs, we will be communicating with volunteers in other ways. Tom Everitt, editor, has done a phenomenal job creating and sharing this regular correspondence for six years! We greatly appreciate the time and talent that has gone into this publication. Thank you, Tom!

In today's edition, you will read a contribution from Board member Irene Nathanson, who shares her insights into why you should consider becoming a Friends Board member. Irene is co-chair of our Board Development Committee (with D. Lathrop) and creates our monthly email NewsFlash that goes out to more than 350 Bookstore customers. Irene and any of our Board members would be happy to talk with you about Board activities. Attending a Board meeting is a good first step to learning about how things work.

Last week the Board elected officers for the next 12 months. Three of us will serve another year (me as

President, Joyce Voss as Secretary, and Jessica Potter Slider as Treasurer), with Cathy Weyers completing her term as Vice President. Jennie O'Leary will now take on the Vice Presidency. Cathy has been a valuable and dedicated officer, always thinking about how we can make things better. While we will miss having her as Vice President, we will continue to utilize her many talents while serving as our Bookstore Operations Manager. We are thrilled that our Friends colleague will continue to be integral to our operations!

Our Volunteer Dinner is set for Wed. March 15 at Palmbrook Country Club. Our last such recognition dinner was in March of 2019. We have much to celebrate and many to recognize for their exceptional efforts. Ruth Polansky coordinates our events, and she has planned a fun and memorable evening. Please make every effort to join us for dinner, recognitions, and entertainment. If you need a ride, contact Ruth. See you on March 15th, for our St. Patrick's themed event!

As you know, times change and people change. Our Friends group



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continues to evaluate what we do and why. We need ideas. We need enthusiasm. We need physical help. We want to make our libraries and our community the best they can be. We are glad that YOU are here to help us do just that!

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NEXT MEETING The Friends February Board meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, **March 9**, 2023, in the North Meeting Room at the Sun City Library.

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Jeopardy for Seniors

This is a test for the 'older kids'!

The answers are printed after the questions, but don't cheat, answer them first.

01. After the Lone Ranger saved the day and rode off into the sunset, the grateful citizens would ask, "Who was that masked man?"

Invariably, someone would answer, "I don't know, but he left this behind."

What did he leave behind?

A _____.

02. When the Beatles first came to the U.S. In early 1964, we all watched them on The _____ Show.

03. "Get your kicks, _____!"

04. The story you are about to see is true. The names have been changed to _____.



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05. 'In the jungle, the mighty jungle, ___ ___
_____.'

06. After the Twist, The Mashed Potato, and the Watusi, we 'danced' under a stick that was lowered as low as we could go in a dance called the '_____.'

07. Nestle's makes the very best... _____.'

08. Satchmo was America's 'Ambassador of Goodwill.' Our parents shared this great jazz trumpet player with us. His name was _____
_____.'

09. What takes a licking and keeps on ticking?
_____.'

10. Red Skeleton's hobo character was named _____, and Red always ended his television show by saying, 'Good Night, and '_____.'

11. Some Americans who protested the Vietnam War did so by burning their _____
_____.'

12. The cute little car with the engine in the back and the trunk in the front was called the VW. What other names



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did it go by? _____ or
_____.

13. In 1971, singer Don MacLean sang a song about, 'the day the music died.' This was a tribute to _____.

14. We can remember the first satellite placed into orbit. The Russians did it. It was called _____.

15. One of the big fads of the late 50's and 60's was a large plastic ring that we twirled around our waist. It was called the _____.

16. Remember LS/MFT
_____/_____
_____.

17. Hey Kids! What time is it? It's _____
_____!

18. Who knows what secrets lie in the hearts of men? Only The _____ Knows!

19. There was a song that came out in the 60's that was "a graveyard smash". It's name was the _____!

20. Alka Seltzer used a "boy with a tablet on his head" as it's Logo/ Representative. The boy's name was _____.



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ANSWERS:

- 01.** The Lone Ranger left behind... A silver bullet
- 02.** The Ed Sullivan Show
- 03.** On Route 66
- 04.** To protect the innocent
- 05.** The Lion Sleeps Tonight
- 06.** The limbo
- 07.** Chocolate
- 08.** Louis Armstrong
- 09.** The Timex Watch
- 10.** Freddy, The Freeloader and 'Good Night and God Bless.'
- 11.** Draft Cards (Bras were also burned. Not flags, as some have guessed)
- 12.** Beetle or Bug
- 13.** Buddy Holly
- 14.** Sputnik
- 15.** Hula-hoop
- 16.** Lucky Strike/Mean Fine Tobacco
- 17.** Howdy Doody Time
- 18.** Shadow
- 19.** Monster Mash
- 20.** Speedy