

## One Day Book Sale at the Library

Hopefully you have seen our publicity for the One Day Book Sale to be held on Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. in the book sale room, lower level of the library. This will be the last book sale where all items will be one dollar per bag for the entire day of the sale. Don't worry, though, prices in the future will still be incredible bargains!

We are offering this sale since we know many of you were unable to attend our last sale because of the large snowstorm in February. We want to give everyone one more chance to stock up on their favorite books before we need to minimally raise our prices for the August sale.

When the Friends of the Columbus Public Library took over the book sale several years ago, we had two goals: provide a service to the community and raise money for the library. The Friends of the Library have not raised prices on books since taking over the sale. In order to fulfill our second goal, and to keep our prices similar to other library sales in Nebraska, we feel it is appropriate to slightly raise our prices.

The current proposal is to change items that had previously sold for a quarter to fifty cents. That covers all paperbacks, children's books, and young adult books. Bags of books will likely be sold for two dollars per bag on the last day of upcoming sales. Hardback books will remain one dollar.

We have a lot of wonderful books. About three thousand books have been divided into almost 50 categories to make it as easy as possible for you to shop! We have also added new books since our sale in early February. We have a particularly good selection of novels, Christian nonfiction, romance paperbacks, and large print books.

We appreciate more than we can say our regular volunteers who work year round to get the sale ready for our customers: Carol Goering, Rae Fulton, Jeanette Jackson, Wanda Rezac, Arlee Schaefer and Jeanine Trofholz. Their dedication and hard work benefits our entire community.

Whether you have volunteered during our sales, donated books or purchased books and other items from our sales, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to you as well. With everyone playing their part, we have managed to

raise thousands of dollars that have been reinvested in the library for the community's benefit.

One of the major ways the Friends support the library is by sponsoring additional programming. The Friends are bringing back one of our most popular speakers, Mike Floyd, at 2:00 p.m. on April 17<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Floyd grew up in Columbus and became a CIA agent. He has written two best-selling books. Columbus library patrons enjoyed his presentation on his first book, "Spy the Lie," and will also be riveted by the program on the 17<sup>th</sup> for his second book, "Get the Truth". The Friends look forward to seeing you at the book sale and at Mr. Floyd's presentation.