

Super Book Sale

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The next Friends of the Columbus Public Library book sale is fast approaching! Coinciding with Super Bowl weekend as usual, the dates for this sale are Jan 31-Feb 3. The sale begins Thursday at 6 pm and will run until 9 pm, and continues Friday from 9:30-5, then from 10-5 on Saturday and finishes up Sunday from 1:30-5.

We are so grateful to everyone who has donated their gently used books, DVDs, books on CD, etc. to us. To show our thanks, we have decided to make prices for this sale super low, in order to get as many books as possible into a reader's hand. Adult hardbacks and all DVDs will be 50 cents, adult paperbacks 25 cents, and ALL children's books and music CDs will be just 10 cents each. Books on CD will be \$1.00. These prices are possible because of our great inventory and will probably go up for the Columbus Days sale, so take advantage of them while you can! We will still have the \$2 bag sale on Sunday as well.

Sections that are particularly full this time around are DVDs, Travel, Religion, and Biographies. We are bursting at the seams in almost all of our children's book categories as well, from board books up to young adult. We even had to move our Christian Fiction section so we could have two rows of shelves for this sale-it is now in the back of the room. We are blessed to have many books by these popular authors in our Romance section: Debbie Macomber, Susan Wiggs, Sheryl Woods and Robyn Carroll. We have so many books on CD we had to make two sections for that as well.

Something we haven't had much of for a while is automotive repair manuals, but we have a whole shelf of Chilton manuals for this sale. If the winter blues are getting you down, check out our two shelves of Humor books. Winter is a good time to try out new recipes as well, and we have several shelves of cookbooks for you to choose from.

Our Nearly New section is for books that have been published in the last three years. Titles there sell for \$2.50 and boast authors like David Baldacci, John Grisham, James Patterson, Nora Roberts, Michael Chabon, Susan Mallery, Harlan Coben, and more.

Our "staff picks" area has gotten to be very popular. This time we are featuring the books, "I Remember Laura" about Laura Ingalls Wilder, "Hy-Vee: 75 years of a helpful smile", the Pillars of the Earth series by Ken Follett, and the "Griffin and Sabine" books by Nick Bantock, plus a few others you will have to visit the sale to see!

We would also like to encourage you to consider joining the Friends of the Columbus Public Library. The Friends use the money from book sales and memberships for programs at the library. A schedule of library programs can be picked up at the library's front desk. Membership dues start at \$5. If you give us your email address we will automatically sign you up for emails about library events. Membership envelopes will be available at the book sale.