

**ST. CHARLES CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY 2017 BOOK FAIR**

Sponsored and organized by the Friends of the Library
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NEW LOCATION! FAMILY ARENA

The 2017 Friends Book Fair will be held at the Family Arena, 2002 Arena Parkway, St. Charles, MO 63303. Nearly 28,000 square feet filled with the best bargains in town!

Directions to the Family Arena

- Customers traveling on I-70 should exit at 5th Street, go South on 5th street, keep left at the fork and continue on South River Road. The Family Arena will be on the left
- Customers traveling on 364 should exit at the Arena Pkwy/Upper Bottom Road Exit and go North (South River Rd). The Family Arena will be on the right.

The 28,000 square feet of space in the Family Arena allows for nearly all of the books to be put out on Friday giving customers the opportunity to browse through & choose from a huge selection of materials. At this location, customers shop in comfort with wide aisles, cool temperatures (no matter how hot it gets outside), and plenty of convenient free parking.

Friday, August 4

ONCE AGAIN THIS YEAR!

9:00 a.m. to Noon – Friends members only admission

To enter at 9:00 a.m. – Friends memberships should be received by Friday, July 28.

Friends memberships will be sold on Friday immediately after the 9 a.m. opening

(Shop at 9:00 a.m. on Friday for the best selection.)

Noon to 9:00 p.m. – Open to the general public.

Saturday, August 5

9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. -- Open to the general public

Sunday, August 6

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. -- Open to the general public

*** 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.** – Free books for nonprofits who register in advance.

\$5.00 a bag day (most items) Standard size plastic grocery bags provided on site.

BARGAIN PRICES – GREAT SELECTION: Customers may pay by cash, check or credit.

Over 250,000 hardbacks, paperbacks, sets, records & magazines! One of the largest Book Fairs in the St. Louis area. Most hardbacks are sold for \$2.00 each, regular size paperbacks for 50¢ each and oversize paperbacks \$1.00. All children's & teen books are sold for 50¢. Magazines are 10¢ each. AV materials are priced as marked. Some very old books, reference materials and special items are priced separately. On Sunday, books are sold for \$5.00 a bag - standard size plastic grocery bags provided.

All books are sorted into popular categories to make it as easy as possible for buyers to find the items they want. Some of the most popular categories are cookbooks, crafts, art, western, mysteries, science fiction and biographies. There is a separate area for children's and teen materials.

FUNDRAISING:

All proceeds from the Book Fair are donated to the St. Charles City-County Library District. Proceeds from the 2016 Fair and other fundraisers have been used to fund a wide variety of things including the annual children's, teen & adult reading programs, special events featuring authors and local personalities, staff training workshops, construction and expansion of new branches, the purchase of furniture & equipment for all libraries, outdoor classrooms for library branches, and monthly book discussion groups at branches throughout the County.

BOOK DONATIONS:

Donations of used books are taken all year. Most of the larger library branches accept up to **four medium-sized boxes** of donations during regular operating hours. For more information about donation visit the Friends website www.stchlibraryfriends.org

*** LEFTOVERS FREE TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS:**

The Friends will donate the "leftovers" from the 2017 Fair to non-profit organizations (schools, churches, etc.) who can come on Sunday, August 6, between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. and pick them up. Books will be given away on a first-come-first-serve basis. Non-profit organizations interested in any of the leftover items can sign up online at www.stchlibraryfriends.org or can contact Erica Land at 441-2300 ext. 1582 prior to the Fair.

VOLUNTEERS:

Approximately 300 volunteers are needed for a successful Book Fair. Anyone interested in working a shift at the Fair or in helping to set up the Fair, can sign up online at www.stchlibraryfriends.org. Volunteer jobs include stocking tables, tallying sales, cashiering, providing information and loading and unloading trucks. Volunteers will be notified of their duties prior to the Book Fair.