## Friends of the Redwood City Public Library



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#### **Happy Friends 50th Anniversary!**

We are so pleased to arrive at this momentous point in our existence.

Friends was incorporated on July 5, 1972. The original Board listed in the Articles of Incorporation are Harriet Trice, Nancy Vane, Kay Hext, Barbara Hutchinson, Richard Schellens, and Lucille Boulevare. The incorporation document lists the purposes of the organization:

To participate actively in the constructive movements and endeavors for the benefit of the Redwood City Public Library.

To promote the interest in the Redwood City Public Library and to stimulate public utilization of these facilities.

Since 1972, our purposes have not changed. However, how the Friends operates and raises revenue has.

In the 1970s, there was no room in the old library building, so Friends rented empty store space on Broadway for book sales. Do any of you remember book sales on Broadway?

Broadway storefronts transitioned to huge, twice-yearly book sales at Red Morton Community Center. Books were moved from a county building to Red Morton for the sale. Sales changed again when the Downtown Library was opened in 1988. Friends was given space in the back area for a workroom and storage. The Bookstore was opened in the little room off the lobby with a volunteer staff. Quarterly sales were held in the Community Room on the second floor, but as volunteer help dwindled, transporting the books upstairs became untenable.

Large, multiday book sales were replaced with an expanded Bookstore space. Friends also expanded its sales with online book listings on Amazon and eBay.

Due to the pandemic, the Bookstore footprint has shrunk, limited to only the space outside the small room. Friends now runs the store on an honor system and also has a book kiosk at the Redwood Shores branch.

Sales approaches have changed, but Friends has retained its original purposes and focus on supporting our wonderful libraries.

A big thank you to Michelle Chen, junior at Crystal Springs Uplands School, for designing our brilliant new logos.

### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Summer Learning Celebration

Sunday, June 12 - 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

To celebrate our 50 years, Friends will be holding a huge book sale behind the Downtown Library at 1044 Middlefield Road. All books at the sale will be 50 cents to honor our 50 years. Honey also will be available for sale, and we will hold a raffle for wonderful gift certificates!

For this celebration, Youth Services is joining us to celebrate the start of the Summer Learning Challenge.

Summer Learning is the largest program Friends funds each year. It's exciting to honor both our anniversary and the kickoff to our Library's biggest annual event. To kick off Summer Learning, there will be carnival games, crafts, an obstacle course, special surprises, and Summer Learning registration!

Save the Date!

# Many Thanks to Those Listed and All Our Members for Your Generous Support in 2021

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☐ Patrons - \$25

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We will acknowledge 2022 Librarian's Circle and Benefactor levels in our spring 2023 Newsletter.

☐ Check this box if you wish for your donation to be listed as Anonymous.

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Friends of the Redwood City Public Library is a 501(c)(3) organization. As such, your membership donation is tax deductible as allowed by law.

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With book sales revenue greatly diminished, donations to Friends are critical to our ability to support the Library.

Thank You!

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