

Friends of Madison Public Library Report

April 2, 2019

Ashman Friends

- Planning annual meeting on April 16
- Considering Ashman's 2019 grant requests for \$15-17,000 (book sales bring in \$6-8,000/year)
- Created g-mail account to organize document archives
- Recruiting new book sale coordinator

Friends of MPL (Central)

- Had successful February book sale raising over \$1600. Next book sale scheduled for April 25-28
- Bookstore under management by a team of volunteers allowing bookstore to be open for a period of time every day library is open.
- Volunteer Recognition Dinner, Annual meeting and Author presentation will likely be held in early June. The author is Lesley Kagen and the author presentation will be open to the public for free. Each Friends group will be asked to nominate a volunteer for recognition at this event.
- The Friends of MPL website now has a Donorbox button that allows for memberships and donations to be made on line. They are currently in their annual membership renewal period.

Goodman South Madison Branch Friends:

- Held annual meeting February 28
- Hosting an open house for the recently remodeled GMS library

Hawthorn • No news reported

Lakeview Friends

- February 28 held annual meeting followed by presentation by Muriel Simms
- March 15-16 held first 2019 book sale which was highly successful thanks to help of 20 volunteers.

Meadowridge Friends

- Book sale on May 10 – 11

Monroe Street Library League

- Sponsored two Play Clubs featuring Forward Theater actors through the Beyond the Page Program
- Spring book sale is scheduled for Saturday May 4 from 9:30 – 4:00

Pinney Friends • Greetings from Pinney, but no news to report.

Sequoia Friends

- First Saturday sales continue at Westgate Mall – T.J. Maxx will be moving in the fall. Mall is dying.
- Grant requests given of \$15,000 for book collection (art, picture books, large print and early readers), \$7,106.60 for re-upholstery and new play equipment in Children's Area, \$2075 for programming. Totaling \$24,181.60

Citywide Friends 22nd Book Club Café featuring Lucy Tan will be May 23 at 7 p.m. at MPL Central Working Class Catering at the Goodman Center will cater the Book Club Cafe again this year.

Next City-Wide Gathering of Friends is Saturday April 27 from 9-11:30