Something for Everyone @ Friends’ Book Sale

There’s something for everyone at the 58th annual Friends of the Library of Hawai’i Book Sale! Come to the McKinley High School Cafeteria from July 9 through 16 to select from a wide variety of over 100,000 assorted books, CDs, DVDs, videos, records, books on tape, and more. Special “collector” items will be available in the “glass case” section.

Proceeds from the sale will directly benefit the Hawai’i State Public Library System. Book sale funds provide branch libraries and staff with books and equipment, performance programs, and continuing education grants. Since 1952, the Friends have distributed over $5 million to the Hawai’i State Public Library System.

Book sale hours are: 10 a.m.-9 p.m., July 9-15; and from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on July 16. Special discount days such as Member’s Discount Day, Fiction & Record Day, and Senior Discount Day (age 60 and over) will be offered.

A special 2-hour member’s only book sale preview will be held on July 8 at 5:30 p.m. If you’re not already a member, you can join on the spot to take advantage of this special preview sale.

For more information, visit the Friends of the Library of Hawai’i website at www.flhawaii.org or call 536-4174.

A New Leader for the Friends

Roberta “Byrde” Cestare, a founding member of the Friends of Kailua Library and former Executive Director of the American Cancer Society’s Windward Office, has been selected as the new Executive Director of the Friends of the Library of Hawai’i. Cestare (sounds like “Astaire,” as in Fred Astaire), replaces Caroline Bond, who resigned after serving for 12 years.

Cestare brings 24 years of experience with volunteer based, nonprofit community organizations, both local and statewide. In addition, she brings a wealth of experience in grant writing, graphic design, computer skills, fundraising, retail and marketing to her new position.

“I’m really excited to be here … it’s like coming full circle,” said Cestare. “I look forward to working with the members and affiliates to make this an even stronger organization, and I’m thrilled that I’ll have the opportunity to do many things with so many dedicated volunteers.”
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