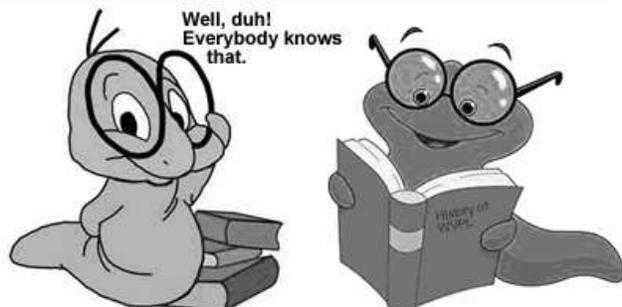
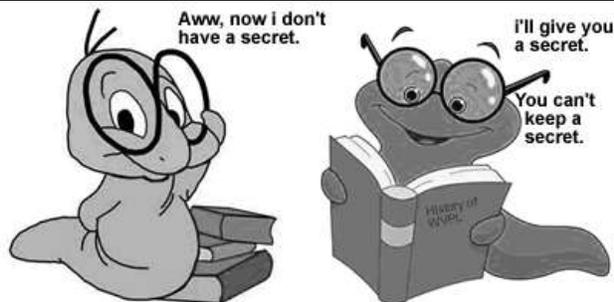
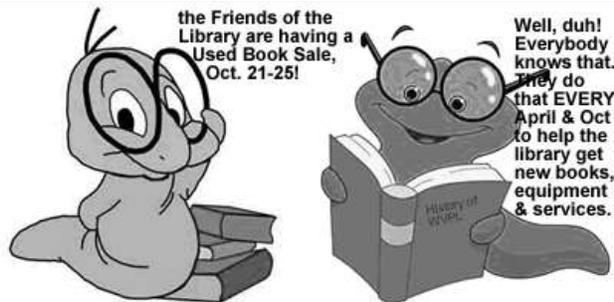
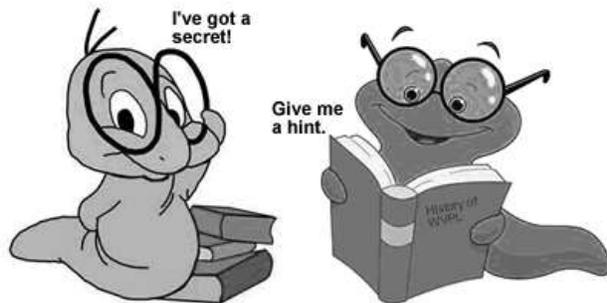


Blue Bell Library Mascots Em and En Bookworms, overheard exchanging ideas back in the new meeting room:



Being of small brain, the worms are not big on details, but you should know the hours:

Friday Oct. 21, 7-9 pm MEMBERS ONLY PREVIEW (If you want to get in on the first “pickings” but are not a member, come along and bring a ten spot or a check and we’ll put you on the rolls). The library closes as usual at 5 pm on Fridays, but entry to the Community Room this one evening is by the side door next to the flagpole. The other hours are open to all and within library hours:
Saturday Oct. 22– 10 am to 4:30 pm;
Sunday Oct. 23-1 to 4 pm;
Monday Oct. 24 – 10 am to 6 pm;
Tuesday Oct. 25 – 10 am to 5 pm.

And **What is on Sale** and **What is the Cost?** Due to an amazingly efficient sorting committee, books are displayed according to category and topic. The usual price is \$1.00 for a hardcover or Trade Edition paperback and 50 cents for regular paperbacks.

Children’s books run from \$1.00 for a large book to 2 for 25 cents for small ones. There are games and puzzles priced according to size, sets and parts of sets of classic literature – you name it.

Our offering of about **10,000 books per sale** includes hobby, craft, cooking and travel books which we have to house in the kitchen. And along the left side of the room is a table of Special Values which include autographed books, coffee table types and beautiful photos or art illustrations. These are labeled in price but are still bargains.

A SPECIAL BOON FOR

LATECOMERS – If you can't join us over the weekend, you benefit from **Bag Days**. On Monday and Tuesday you can fill our shopping bags with any regularly priced items for \$5.00 per bag. We take a breather from 5 to 5:30 on Tuesday and then open the doors for **FREEBIES!** You can take away as many bags of books as your car can hold so that we can start our next sale with a fresh collection. Leftovers are donated to charities.

VISIT THE DISPLAY CASE any time during October and you will see some very unusual books or sets being offered in a Silent Auction. Each item has a number and a notebook in front holds numbered pages for bids. In some cases a minimum bid is suggested. If one or more items appeal, write in bids and your name and phone number. Don't just wish that you will win; check each week to see if your bids have been topped and decide if you want to bump them up a bit.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

Why right back into the library as soon as the Director gives us a "Wish List". In 2015-2016 we gave a total of **\$23,000.00**. Items purchased for the library with Friends donations include: Podium, desk and lounge chairs, server, hard drives, robots and iPads.

TO DATE, since 1994 donations have reached **\$467,399.00**. The materials donated are the backbone of these efforts and we are grateful. We also thank the patrons of the sales. Keep in mind there is always room for more FRIENDS in anyone's life and if you join us you will be associated with very special folks in the community. Will you join us in our present goal of getting that total to half a million ASAP?

We are always looking for helpers with book sales, book sorting, video sales, publicity and/or picking up books. To volunteer just call the Friends room and leave a message: 215-643-1320 ext 24.

Besides bookworms, there are also talking robots in the library. They only talk to children, but if you sneak up on the area, you might see a Close Encounter.

GOOD NEWS for ardent fans of Print Media! According to a survey conducted by the Pew Research Center, more Americans have read print books than e-books or audio books in the past year. Although Young adults tend toward digital materials, Americans in general favor multipurpose devices such as smartphones and tablet computers rather than the Nook or Kindle for e-books.

SCHEDULED FUTURE SALES

Our 2017 CD/DVD sale will be held on Saturday February 4 (snow date Feb.11); our Spring Used Book Sale runs from April 28-May 2; and next Fall's Book Sale will be from October 20-24.