Friends of the Lyon College Mabee-Simpson Library

Spring Book Sale

It's time for our annual book sale! The sale will take place during Lyon College's Scottish Festival. There is no charge for admission to the Scottish Festival this year.

What: Friends of the Mabee-Simpson Library Book Sale

When: Fri., Apr. 8 (8a-5p)  
Sat., Apr. 9 (8a-5p), and  
Sun., Apr. 10 (12p-5p)

Where: Mabee-Simpson Library

Let's Stay Friends: 2011 Memberships

We hope you will continue your support of the Friends of the Library and renew your membership for 2011. Our membership year is from January to December. Memberships will be active from the date of receipt of payment through December 2011.

Membership in the Friends of the Library offers:
* Library borrowing privileges and database access;  
* Invitations to special library events;  
* Library updates through newsletters and email; and  
* Opportunities to connect with fellow book lovers!

Call For Books and Volunteers

Do you have books you've already read and movies you've already watched taking up too much space on your shelves? Donate your gently used books and other items to the library, and give them new life! Donations are needed by Tuesday, April 4.

We also need your help with the book sale. Last year's sale made over $2,200 for the library, and we want to do it again! We are looking for volunteers to help organize books on Thursday, April 7, and to help throughout the sale, particularly on Saturday, April 9. If you have an hour or two to pitch in, please call (870) 307-7444 or email camille.beary@lyon.edu.

Special Preview: Thurs., Apr. 7 at 5:30 p.m. for FOL members

If you'd like to attend the special preview but you are not a member or your membership has expired, you can join or renew at the sale!

Join Us for a Toast in the New Tornado Cross Garden

Friends of the Library are invited to attend a very special garden party on Thursday, April 7 at 5:30 p.m. (in conjunction with the spring book sale preview). The party will take place in the library's newly renovated Tornado Cross courtyard garden. The garden is named for the cross that was torn off the steeple of Brown Chapel during the 1973 tornado, which was safeguarded by Dr. Fitzhugh Spragins until his retirement in 1995. The "Tornado Cross Garden" includes two gurgling fountains, boulders covered with moss, huge flagstones leading to the cross, wooden furniture for relaxing, and landscaping that includes exotic plants, trees, and shrubs.

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RSVP: Please call 307-7444 or email camille.beary@lyon.edu to let us know if you plan to attend.
Scottish Festival Seminars: Sat., Apr. 9
Alphin Board Room, Alphin (unless otherwise noted)

9:30-10:00 a.m. Lords, Lovers, Soldiers, and Sailors. Mary Ann Lucas. (Scottish poetry and stories in song and readings.)

10:00-10:30 a.m. Don't believe in ghosts? Dick Lucas. (The most haunted place on earth: the tunnels under Edinburgh.)

10:00a Rickey Pittman, Author/Musician/Storyteller. In the Mabee-Simpson library.

10:30-11:00 a.m. Everything You Wanted to Know About Scottish Attire but Were Afraid to Ask. Mary Ann Lucas.

11:00-12:00 p.m. Robert Burns: His Life and Poetry. Dr. Ralph Graham, Glasgow University.

11:00-11:30 a.m. The British Motoring Club of Arkansas presents: British Motor Cars: the People’s Choice, located by the car exhibit by Brown Chapel.

12:00-1:00 p.m. Scottish Gaelic Song. Mary Ann Lucas. (Learn Gaelic melodies and hear the Caledonia Choral demonstrate some of these lovely songs that date back to the 15th century.)

1:30-2:00 p.m. The Oz Highland Herd. Oz Highland Farms. (Oz Highland Farms' goal is to breed for good conformation, genetics and an overall gentle nature, allowing the breed to continue producing strong healthy Scottish Highland cattle.)

2:00-3:00 p.m. Holy Fairs in the Cumberland: The Scottish Roots of the Great Revival. Dr. Brooks Blevins, Missouri State University. (Learn about a little-known but important link between Scotland and America that had a significant impact on development of religion and society in Arkansas.)

2:00p Rickey Pittman, Author/Musician/Storyteller. In the Mabee-Simpson library.

3:00-5:00 p.m. Celtic Connection. The Repertory Theater of the Ozarks. (Musical revue based in Mammoth Spring, Arkansas.)

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