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ANDERSON LIBRARY COMMITTEE TO HOST 22ND ANNUAL BOOK SALE AT NAGEL MIDDLE SCHOOL JUNE 21-23

Volunteers are doing their final sorting and pricing of 50,000 used books and other items for the **22nd Annual Used Book Sale** sponsored by the Anderson Library Committee the weekend of June 21-23. This is the second year that the sale will be held at Nagel Middle School, 1500 Nagel Road, at the intersection of State & Nagel Roads.

Last year's sale was a great success, raising over \$50,000, which was given to the Anderson and Mt. Washington Branch Libraries. "We are really grateful to the people in the area, as well as those who traveled from all over the county and even from other states, who supported the sale," said Terry Goyer, book sale chair. "Because the sale was held three months later than normal, we had many more books to sell. Plus, any time you change the location from a very visible spot (for 20 years it was held at Beechmont Mall), you expect to lose some customers. The committee was very pleased with the sale's end result."

The book sale benefits both the Anderson and Mt. Washington branches, but also provides recycled reading material to thousands of adults and children. With the cost of a new book averaging anywhere from \$15-\$20 each, it's a great and inexpensive way to get books into the hands of avid readers. Children's books are a big seller, and there is something for everyone's taste, including sci-fi paperbacks, along with a special section of collectible, rare and unusual books that include fiction and nonfiction titles. Encyclopedia sets and dictionaries will also be available in limited quantities.

One of the more popular categories continues to be cooking, and in particular, cookbooks. "We have also seen a big surge of interest in 'cook booklets,' said Ms. Goyer. "Cook booklets are small, soft cover books that are usually on a special subject. They were very popular in the 1920s through 1960s, that you might have gotten when you purchased a stove, or by sending in box tops or labels from a food product, and many are sought after by collectors. We have thousands available, most priced at 50 cents."

Through the committee's efforts, more than a half a million dollars has been raised over the past 22 years to support the Anderson and Mt. Washington Branch libraries. It has also provided trust funds for both branches to purchase books, established the Anderson Community Collection, brought noted speakers to the branch, and sponsored programming for children and adults.

Book Sale Hours

- 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Friday
- 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Saturday
- 12:00-4:00 p.m. Sunday
- Information and driving directions: (513) 369-4573

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