**Preparations are underway** for the 16th Annual Baldwin City-Wide Garage Sale, Saturday, June 7.

Publicize your sale and help the library at the same time. For just $5 you can list your address and treasures in the Friends of the Library Garage Sale Directory and receive a yard sign identifying you as a library supporter and your sale as an “official” Citywide Garage Sale site.

Each year nearly 100 garage sales and businesses are listed in the directory. Last year we sold more than 300 copies to local residents and visitors. Through this event, the Friends of the Library raised funds to help sponsor the summer reading program, guest speakers, book talks and Night of 1,000 Stars, and helped the library purchase new materials.

If you’d like your sale to appear in the directory, please fill out the form inside and return it with your payment to the library no later than May 31. The fee is $5 per family, and $20 for organizations. The directory also includes business ads ranging from 2-1/2” x 3” for $5 to a full page for $40. Please call Susan Baker at 594-3554 or Cynthia Beall at 594-6755 for information about placing a business ad. The deadline for business ads is May 1.

The Friends also needs help handing out signs and distributing directories on the weekend of the sale. A signup sheet will be located in the library lobby. Or show off your baking talents and donate your specialty to the bake sale. Please drop off your goodies at the Library on Friday, June 6, or by 8 a.m. on Saturday.

The Garage Sale Directory and yard signs can be picked up at the library on Friday, June 6 from 4-7 p.m. Thank you for supporting our library and participating in this communitywide event.

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**The Friends of the Library will hold its annual Spring Plant Sale**

8 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday, May 9th and 8 a.m.-noon on Saturday, May 10th

on the front lawn of the Baldwin City Library.

It’s that time again! Just in time for Mother’s Day—the Friends of the Library Spring Plant Sale is May 9 and 10, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and 8 a.m.-noon on Saturday, on the front lawn of the Baldwin City Library.

Pick up the old reliables, or try something new. The sale will feature hanging baskets filled with colorful flowering annuals, ivy and other greenery. Perennials include lavender, sage, thyme, scabiosa, coneflowers and lambs ear. Drought-resistant annuals that will flower continuously throughout the summer include geraniums and varieties of brilliantly colored begonias.

If you’d like to help at the plant sale, please sign up on the volunteer sign-up sheet in the lobby of the library. Volunteers will receive a free plant.

*Thank you to Vinland Valley Nursery, C Designs Floral, and Hamill’s Country Garden Nursery.*

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May 2003

Friends of the Baldwin City Library
Selkirk’s Island
Diana Souhami
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Alexander Selkirk was marooned on an island, inspiring Daniel Defoe’s fictional account of Robinson Crusoe, the last man who had all his work done by Friday. Selkirk, a very different sailor, survived four years before being rescued.

Into the Valley
Rosanne Bittner
(fiction, historical adventure/romance)
The Revolutionary War isn’t as far away as the folks in the isolated rural Ohio Valley think. A young woman with strong ties to both her brothers must come to terms with her feelings against the violence of war.

The DaVinci Code
Dan Brown
(fiction/mystery)
Intriguing look at the Knights Templar and the Holy Grail. Challenges your view of art and possibly religion. A bit wordy in parts while author brings in all the background.

Cheyennes and Horse Soldiers
William Y. Chalfant
(non-fiction, history)
The 1857 Expedition and the Battle of Solomon’s Fort, which figured largely in the history of Kansas. Readable, scholarly account of the conflicts between Indians and whites as traffic on the overland trails increased.
Maps, drawings, notes and index.

English As a Global Language
David Crystal
(non-fiction, language)
What is a “global language,” and why is one needed? Why has English achieved the position when it is not the first language of the largest number of Earthlings?

Engaged to Die
Carolyn Hart
(fiction/mystery)
Latest in the “cozy” mystery series. Wealthy art patron Virginia Neville announces engagement to charming much younger man; following family disturbance includes murder.

Seabiscuit
Laura Hillenbrand
(non-fiction)
Read by Campbell Scott, fourcassettes, six hours, Random House Audiobooks. Fascinating story of the horse that created more headlines in 1938 than the President—and had a better year—intertwined with the owner, trainer, and two jockeys who made Seabiscuit a racing legend.

Dear Mrs. LaRue
Mark Teague
(easy)
Ike, a delinquent terrier, is sent to a boarding obedience school. His letters back are illustrated in dreary black and white and the actual scenes are in color. Hilarious fun!
Sixty area kids donned their jammies, grabbed their teddies and spent an April evening at the library listening to stories told by Baldwin City’s finest storytellers. Thank you to Ruth Dickinson, Police Chief Mike McKenna, Stephanie Lynch and Jocelyn Leonard for sharing their talents and love of reading with Baldwin’s youth.

(left) Jocelyn Leonard reads to a room full of comfy story lovers.

(below) Mike McKenna entertains youngsters with a story.

(right) Ruth Dickinson dressed the part of the characters she read about.

Night of 1,000 Stars

Happy Birthday, Miss Kelley

Miss Kelley’s birthday is June 2. If you’d like to wish Baldwin City Library’s own historian and archivist a happy birthday, please send cards to the library.

City Wide Garage Sale
Directory Listing
Sign up

Summer Reading Program
JUNE 9 TO JULY 19

Bring your kids and let them “Laugh it up at Your Library” this summer during the 2003 summer reading program. Visit the library for silly stories, jokes, games, contests, prizes from local merchants and full-filled special programs for preschoolers through eighth-graders.

Special guests include clowns, the 15-year-old 2002 national champion yo-yo spinmaster and a herpetologist with an albino snake named Snowflake.

Ben Franklin will visit the library on June 11 to kick off the program, and on July 25 the City Recreation Commission will sponsor the annual swimming party at the Baldwin City Public Pool for those who complete the summer reading requirements.

The summer reading program is free of charge. Pre-enrollment begins May 27 at the library. For more information call the library at 594-3411.

Have you outgrown the summer reading program?

You’re never too old to participate! Register at the library for the adult summer reading program. Keep track of the books you read from June 9 to July 19; after reading five books you’ll be eligible for a certificate and prizes from local businesses. The top reader will receive a special prize.

Please return this completed form and payment to the library no later than May 31, 2003.
Friends of the Baldwin City Library
Baldwin City, Kansas 66006

The Library is Open:
Monday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Tuesday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Wednesday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Thursday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Friday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. to Noon

You can visit the library online at http://baldwin-city.com/library/

Join Us!
Please fill out this form and return it with payment to the Friends of the Baldwin City Library, Baldwin City, KS 66006.

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE Zip

EMAIL

Membership (circle one)
New Renewing

Membership Level (circle one)
Bookmark ($5 — $9)
Bookend ($15 — $24)
Bookshelf ($10 — $14)
Bookstore ($25 and up)

If you would like to volunteer for Friends of the Library activities, please check the areas you would like to help with:

___ Serve on the board
___ Spring plant sale
___ Fall mum sale
___ Night of 1000 Stars
___ Citywide Garage Sale
___ Book clubs & discussion groups
___ Adult reading program
___ Newsletter

Friends of the Library Calendar

Spring Plant Sale
8 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday, May 9th and 8 a.m.-Noon on Saturday, May 10th
front lawn of the library (rain dates May 16 & 17)

Cathy Roberts Scholarship
Applications Available
March 23th
Applications Due
May 1st
Applications Awarded
May 16th

City-Wide Garage Sale
June 7th

Coming this fall — Mum Sale and Book Talk series

Library is More Than Just Books!

It’s a multimedia treasure trove. Come check out the library’s selection of classical music CDs, and new releases on DVD and video. Recent acquisitions including Band of Brothers, based on the bestseller by Stephen E. Ambrose. This epic 10-part miniseries, which aired on HBO, tells the story of Easy Company, 506th Regiment of the 101st Airborne Division, U.S. Army. It is drawn from interviews with survivors of Easy Company, as well as soldiers’ journals and letters.