The 2005 Book Sale Scheduled for Wednesday April 6, with the Members Presale on Tuesday April 5

The sale is on! Despite the construction upheaval at the Van Pelt Library, the 2005 Friends Book Sale will take place as usual in April 2005. The main sale will be Wednesday April 6 from 10:00 until 4:30pm, while the Members-only Pre-Sale will be the day before, Tuesday April 5 from 5-7pm. The sale will take place in Ballroom B of the Memorial Union Building on MTU’s campus, and memberships will be available at the door, $15 for individuals, $25 for families, and $10 for students and seniors.

As usual, the sale is only possible because of the hard work of the Friends and our co-sponsoring student groups, Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society, and the Society of Intellectual Sisters. We also gratefully acknowledge the help of MTU’s Facilities Management Department, who help move the books to and from storage, and the MTU Recycling Group, who help us properly dispose of dated and damaged items.

Book donations are still actively being sought for the sale. The Friends accept books on any subject, software, CDs, DVDs and videos. We do not accept Readers Digest Condensed, vinyl records, or magazines, since these do not sell well and are very cumbersome to move and store. Email Dana Richter (dlrichter@mtu.edu) to arrange for pick-up of donations. See you there!

Collections and Staff Move into Renovated Van Pelt Library

by Library Director Phyllis Johnson

The final move of the library's collections and staff is under way. Staff and collections are being moved from the Opie addition into the renovated library space, and collections are being moved back to the library from other locations on campus and off. New furniture is arriving weekly. The dedication of the Center for Integrated Learning and Information Technology, of which the library is a part, will be held at 3:30 pm, April 29, 2005. A reception in the Opie Addition will be held following the dedication ceremony. You are cordially invited to attend.
Econo Foods “Computers for Kids” Program Benefits VP Library

by Mary Marchaterre

Time to collect your receipts from Econo to benefit the Van Pelt Library at MTU. Through its *Computers for Kids* program, Econo Foods donates to the Friends 1% of the sum of all Econo receipts collected. These funds are used to pay for computer systems in the Library. In 2003/2004, the Friends of the Van Pelt Library collected Econo receipts that totaled $57,087. As a result, Econo Foods donated 1% of that total, or $570.87, to the Friends. Econo Foods had donated $303.61 in 2001, $431.76 in 2002 and $521.02 in 2003.

Many thanks to those who participated last year, and a big “keep it up” to all collecting receipts for 2004-2005.

Want to help? Please collect your receipts from Econo Foods and send them to us or drop them in the collection box at the circulation desk of the Library. Econo will accept only receipts dated August 30th, 2004, through June 3rd, 2005. Please send your receipts by intercampus mail to either Mary Marchaterre (IT - 209 Admin) or Faith Morrison (Chemical Engineering - 304A Chem Sci). Want to help more? Put out a collection box in your area and encourage your coworkers to bring in their receipts for our Library. There are drop boxes in the chemical engineering office (203 Chem Sci), the chemistry office (607 Chem Sci), at the Library circulation desk, in the coffee room on the 2nd floor of the admin building, and in the basement of the EERC. Every little bit helps.

Thank you Econo Foods! Thanks to everyone who is collecting receipts for the Friends.

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