The 2006 Book Sale is scheduled for Wednesday April 19, with the Members Presale on Tuesday April 18

It's that time! Time for the Annual Book sale! The annual Friends of the Library Book Sale will take place this year on Wednesday, April 19, 2006 with a special pre-sale for members of the Friends on April 18. The presale will be from 5-7pm on Tuesday, April 18, and the sale will be 10 am- 4 pm on April 19. From 3-4 pm on April 19 will be our "bag sale", when we sell books at the bargain price of only two dollars for a full grocery bag. The book sale is brought to the local community by the Friends with substantial help from Tau Beta Pi and the Society of Intellectual Sisters.

The Friends Book Sale is a popular event that raises hundreds of dollars every year for the Library. Please come out and support this sale. If you have any books to donate to the sale, please bring them to the Van Pelt Library, or give us a call and we'll come and pick them up. Any quantity of books accepted! We also accept videos, DVDs, cassettes, CDs, and software, but no magazines. To arrange a pick up, please call Dana Richter (906-487-2149; dlrichte@mtu.edu) or Terry Reynolds (906-487-2113, treynold@mtu.edu).

The Friends always need help to process book donations and to get ready for the sale. Anyone who is interested in helping with book sorting and pricing or at the sale is asked to please contact Friends chairman Dee Vincent (dee@mtu.edu).

Not sure if you're a member in good standing? Come to the pre-sale and we will have a list of members there. If you are not a member, it is only $15 to join at the pre-sale, a bargain considering you will then have Friends-First access to the books at the book sale.

3rd Annual Friends’ Winter Carnival
Hot Chocolate & Cookie Giveaway

By Don Durfee

We had a great turnout for our 3rd Annual Friends’ Winter Carnival Hot Chocolate and Cookie Giveaway on Saturday, February 11, 2006.

We served over 300 hot chocolates, (many with whip cream!) as well as homemade cookies from the diverse selections brought in by our board members. For many of the visitors, it was their first opportunity to see all the recent Library renovations. Everyone seemed very pleased with the look and feel of our new Library.

We collected a total of $281.53, which included $120.95 in donations and $160.58 in sales of used books, blankets and note cards. This total exceeded our 2nd Annual Event total, which collected $185.75 in 2004.

A big "Thank you" to everyone who helped at the table and who brought hot chocolate mix, cookies and other supplies.

Next year we hope to make the event even bigger by offering a larger selection of used books.

The Friends are always available on line through a link on the Van Pelt Library's web page at www.lib.mtu.edu/ or go there directly by typing www.lib.mtu.edu/friends/friends.htm
It's time to renew your membership in the Friends of the Van Pelt Library.

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**Senior Citizens and Students may join for $10**

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Please make all checks payable to the Michigan Tech Fund-FVPL. All contributions to the FVPL are Federal tax deductible. **THANKS for your support of the MTU Library.**

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