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News and Views

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9th Annual Giant Book Sale is almost here!

Book-sorting volunteers have been working overtime to make sure as many books as possible are ready for our Nov. 20-22 sale at the Farmers' Institute. All the basic info about the event is in the attached poster. We've also included an item about the new lewels for Literacy sale that will be held concurrently with the book sale.

And don't forget to attend the Thursday, Nov. 19 gala Preview Event from 6:30-8:30p.m. You should have received your invitation to that event in our recent mail-out, but if you didn't consider this your warm welcome to attend.

Extra special Giant Book Sale thanks so far to:

- John Reid for providing a huge sorting and storage space for us this year. Not having to transport our books from a sorting place to a storage space is a huge plus!
- Jill McIvor, our head sorter and packer. Jill trains the sorting volunteers and makes sure everything is in order before the boxes are packed and labelled, and answers about 100 questions every day.
- All of the sorting volunteers who have answered our calls to help as much as possible.
- Ed Walkner, who takes care of picking up the donated books and taking them to the hut, whether it's his muscles being pressed into action, or those of someone else he has enticed to do the job (like his daughter Carolyn).
- Board member Kim Ballantyne for taking on overall coordination for the sale, and for purchasing the heaters and dehumidifier needed at the book hut.
- Mouat's Trading Co. for giving us an extension cord and \$200 donation towards heaters and dehumidifier.
- Barnaby Fell from Black Sheep Books, for giving us his expert advice about our "special books."
- Board member Pat Campbell and her Grass Roots Press company for spearheading the Jewels for Literacy initiative, and all of her enthusiastic volunteers.
- Literacy Outreach Coordinator Stella Weinert and Administrative Assistant Inma Segura for handling all book sale matters that end up at the Elma Rubright Learning Centre.
- \bullet Board member Eva Kuhn for coordinating the volunteers and food for the sale and many other details.

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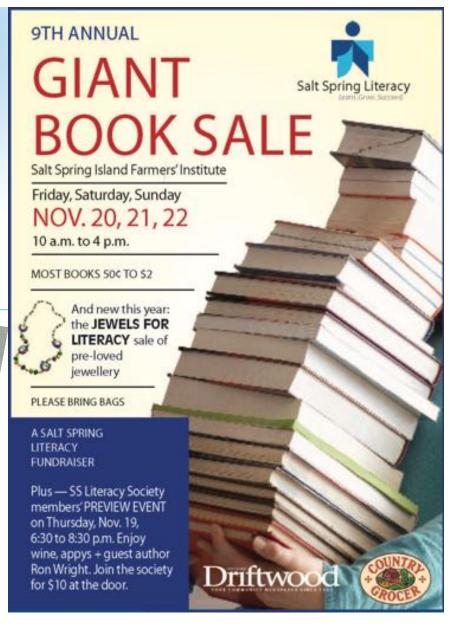
By now you have probably heard that SS Literacy has added a pre-loved jewellery sale to the Giant Book Sale this year.

The Jewels for Literacy committee, headed by SSL board member Pat Campbell, wants to thank everybody for their donations. The committee has had lots of fun sorting, cleaning and pricing the jewels.

There is something for everyone. We have Haida silver earrings, Murano glass necklaces from Italy, seed pearl bracelets, and LOTS of costume jewellery: bangles, chains, earrings and bracelets galore. Some items will be featured in a silent auction. So, if you are looking for that special Christmas present, come to the jewellery sale. You will be sure to find a unique item at a bargain price.



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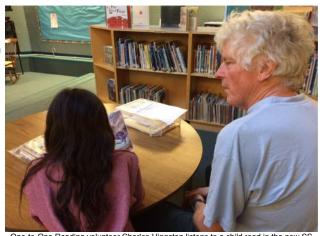
One-to-One Reading Launched!

A program to support elementary school students with their reading launched in October at Salt Spring elementary, Fernwood and Fulford schools. After a half-day training session, 44 tutors were ready to see a total of 31 students in Grades 2-5 to listen to them read and coach them on using effective reading strategies.

"The community response to our call for tutors was huge," said Salt Spring Literacy's Outreach Coordinator Stella Weinert. "It's really heartwarming to see so many people in our community willing to help kids."

Students in the program are seen for 30 minutes three or four times a week to practise their reading over a 12-week period. The program has been run for over 25 years in the Lower Mainland, been implemented in other school districts as well, and currently is aiming to go province- wide.

It's off to a successful start on Salt Spring, with both tutors and students enjoying their time together. Substantial support from the Salt Spring Foundation for this program is gratefully acknowledged.



One-to-One Reading volunteer Charles Hingston listens to a child read in the new SS Literacy program now running in Salt Spring, Fulford and Fernwood elementary schools.

