Pequot Library’s Annual Summer Book Sale
Numbers for the Start of the Book Sale on Friday Morning

Please note: Numbers are not required for entrance to the Sale on Friday morning. Anyone without a number may take a place in line after patrons with numbers on Friday morning.

The first day of Pequot Library’s Book Sale (Friday) is a busy time. Hundreds of eager patrons gather on the Great Lawn of the Library and many would like to get into the tents and the Auditorium as soon as they can. To ensure that the opening moments of the Sale are as orderly and equitable as possible, the Library will hand out “Numbers” on the Thursday before the Sale to those who wish to be among the first inside. These numbers will determine the patron’s place in line on Friday morning.

The following guidelines will apply:

1. The numbers will allow priority access to either the Main Tent or the Auditorium/Specials area. Numbers will be produced and printed by the Library, with separate, color-coded numbers for each location.

2. Two (2) numbers per person will be distributed. The patron may choose any combination of Main Tent and/or Auditorium/Specials numbers.

3. The line for obtaining numbers will begin at the sign on the lawn saying “The Line Starts Here.”

4. If more than 2 numbers are desired, the patron should return to the end of the line to receive additional number(s).

5. Numbers will be handed out on the Thursday before the Sale at 4pm on a first come, first served basis to those in line at or before 3pm of that date.

6. Reservations for numbers through the use of boxes (“place holders”), as has been a long-standing practice of some dealers, will be honored, though the library accepts no responsibility for them. However, any persons in line prior to 3pm shall have preference over such “place holders”. To avoid clutter during our setup process, we ask that no boxes be placed prior to the Monday before the Sale.

7. On Friday morning, we request that attendees with numbers self-sort themselves into two lines beginning at the two signs on the lawn saying “The Line Starts Here” (one for the Main tent and one for the Auditorium/Specials) no later than 8:15am. Patrons without numbers may take a place in line behind those with numbers.

Please be assured that numbers are not required for entrance to the Sale on Friday morning or any day during the Sale. Patrons without numbers may take a place in line behind those with numbers on Friday morning. The line moves quickly after the Sale begins at 9am. Everyone will be inside within a minute or two.