The new location at Hart Park for the April Cowboy Festival brought many new customers into the FOHP Gift Store and gave us the best weekend and month for total sales since the establishment of the new Gift Store. Popular merchandise at the store included the Bill Hart 150th Birthday Calendar, western and Native American jewelry, books -- including the 2013 reprint of "My Life East & West" -- and DVDs from our Bill Hart (17 different titles) and B-Western collection. Cowboy Festival posters, western movie lobby cards, and western sheet music (all nicely framed) were also big hits with store customers. We also opened up the old gift store and ran a book sale with several thousand hard and soft cover books offered at prices starting at $.50. Of great popularity was our Western paperback collection of over 1000 titles. The bookstore will be open again during the September Pow Wow event at the Park. Many thanks to volunteers Carol Frost, and Bill and Sherron Blowers for putting in long days working the two stores during the Festival.

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