

FRIENDS' NEWS & NOTES

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Friends of The Library Meeting

JUNE 8, 2017

at 5 p.m. in the Gracey room of the library.

The Friends of the Library Bookstore has hundreds of books, DVDs, and CDs on sale

In Memory of:

- In memory of **Jennifer Dibblee** from Kay Amesbury
- In memory of **Clarence Freitas** from Florence DeSimone
- In memory of **Sylvia Hardy** from Kay Caligiuri

From the President's Desk

By **Sharon Terry**
FOL President

A big thank you to all our volunteers for making this year very productive and profitable. In March, the Friends board hosted a thank you brunch for the volunteers who man our "used" bookstore. This brunch has become an almost annual event and it gives volunteers a chance to meet others who work at different times. We can always use more volunteers, either on a regular shift or as a substitute. Stop by the store and fill out an application if you are interested in donating some time during the month.



Sadly, our SHARES card program has changed. We are now eScrip. We no longer present the card but give our ten digit phone number. FOL has registered as a group and supporters must register

for that group. Online, it is savemart.com/shares. Hopefully, the transition will go smoothly as our last rewards check was for \$198.78. It would be so sad to lose out on that income.

Our next Friends meeting will be on JUNE 8, 2017 at 5 p.m. in the Gracey room of the library. We will elect officers at this annual meeting. The proposed slate is as follows:

PRESIDENT: **SUSAN FLINSPAC**
VICE PRESIDENT: **SHARON TERRY**
SECETARY: **MARY HOFMANN**
TREASURER: **CONNIE WRIGHT**,
ASSISTANT TO TREASURER: **ANITA MARTIN**.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
JEANETTE MCCOLUMN, JUDITH RAMP.

Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

It has been a good year for the friends. Our supporters are loyal and seeing the summer reading program prosper in most of the county libraries is rewarding. The new furniture in the childrens' rooms looks great as does the revamped landscaping around the county library. Our fiscal year has been changed to reflect most groups who use July 1 to June 30. Thank you

to our treasurer for this effort. Dues are \$15 per individual and \$25 for families. Forget about remembering to re-sign and buy a lifetime membership for \$100. Benefits include a newsletter of library activities and the buy-one-get-one free book for any purchase the FOL bookstore.

We are in need of Donations!

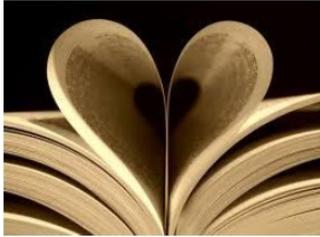
Guidelines for bookstore donations

We can use:

- ◆ Clean books in good condition, hardbacks and paperbacks
- ◆ Audio and video CDs and DVDs in original containers and in good condition
- ◆ Current year magazines in good condition. Please remove address labels
- ◆ Record albums
- ◆ Old textbooks
- ◆ Reader's Digest condensed books
- ◆ Large magazine collections
- ◆ Defaced Materials, dirty, dusty, broken spines, water damaged, etc.

All donations should be made with no conditions

Adopt a Book Club



From Jolene Schadler in memory of **Howard Larson**
From Lucille Diele in memory of **Sam Diele**
From Rick and Karen Albright in memory of **J. Peters**
From Candyce Eannon in memory of **John Lewis**
From Steve & Sharon Wainwright in memory of **Shirley King**
From Richard & Karen Albright in memory of **Joseph Lewis**
From Catherine Weber in memory of **Dudley & Jane Goul**
From Lola Ball in memory of **Joy Smith**
From Rowena Gray
From Arlene Nixon in honor of Don &

General Donation:

- From Mike Nelson in honor of Melvin G. Nelson's 81st birthday.

From Samuel S. Tenenbaum in honor of Sam and Kathie Tenenbaum.

15 of 100 Books of the Century by Le Monde:

1. The Stranger by Albert Camus
2. In Search of Lost Time by Marcel Proust
3. The Trial by Franz Kafka
4. The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry
5. Man's Fate by Andre Malraux
6. Journey to the End of the Night by Louis-Ferdinand Céline
7. The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck
8. For Whom the Bell Tolls by Ernest Hemingway
9. The Wanderer by Alain-Fournier
10. Froth on the Daydream by Boris Vian
11. Second Sex by Simone de Beauvoir
12. Waiting for Godot Samuel Beckett
13. Being and Nothingness Jean-Paul Sartre
14. The Name of the Rose Umberto Eco
15. The Gulag Archipelago, 1918-1956: An experiment in Literary Investigation

You can find the other 85 titles on the list at the following site:
<http://www.alistofbooks.com/lists/4-100-books-of-the-century-by-le-monde>

You may also be able to find some these books in our FOL bookstore classics sections.

Bookstore News

By **Omar Amavizca**
Bookstore Manager

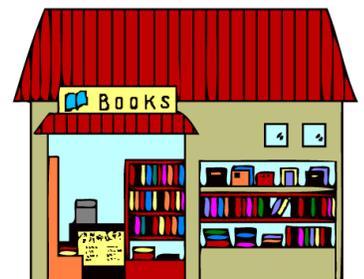
The library is looking great, the landscape work around the building is complete, and is our hope that this work, along with several other upgrades inside of the library building, will, eventually make the library a more inviting place to more members of the community.

Inside the bookstore, we continue to work hard to keep

our shelves filled with the books you like. Our fill-a-bag of books for \$3 sale, went really well and it helped us clear out some of the clutter in the shelves and make some money for the library. We will continue to have these sales periodically, as we know that many of you really enjoy this type of sale.

In the meantime, please help us improve the bookstore by giving us suggestions on how we can make this a better shopping

experience for you. You can send your comments and ideas to: Amavizca.o@mccd.edu



Our next book sale will be in the month of June. Please check our FOL Facebook page for more information.

@ Merced County Library

Greetings!

Merced County Library continues to evolve its vision to inspire, innovate, and inform residents of Merced County. This transformation includes new staff and services. As a result, the library has been a hub of activities this spring.

The Merced Library welcomed Rachel Gaither as Supervising Librarian in December 2016. Rachel is overseeing public service staff and has started adult programming. Rachel has started a book club, Death and Donuts. This book club focuses on mystery books. Programs being offered in May and June are Benefits of Healthy Living is a six part series about chronic disease self management beginning May 17th and Stress Reduction classes in English and Spanish during June. To register for these classes contact the Library at 385-7643.

The Library launched the 1000 Books before Kindergarten program in January 2017. This is an early literacy program geared towards our youngest residents and their caregivers. The program is based on the evidence that the more children are read to and hear stories, the better prepared they will be to learn to read upon entering kindergarten. This program also helps instill the love of reading, fosters a positive connection to the library for families, and reinforces the idea that parents are their child's first and most influential teacher. Currently there are 450 children participating in the program and over 31,800 books have been read to those children.

In June the Library will be kicking off Build a Better World Summer Reading 2017. This program encourages children to keep reading during summer vacation. The library will be offering educational programs like Build a Better Body, Learn about Drones, Beginning Zumba, Learn about Wild Elk, and Anime Your Way as well as entertaining performance learning environments with Magical Illusions, E & M Reptiles, Live Music with Didgeridoos, and Theater with Traveling Lantern. The library offers these educational programs free to residents.

Programs like the ones above are made possible thanks to the generous donation from the Friends of the Merced County Library. Friends groups help to supply the "extras" that transform the library from a book depository to a community hub of activity. Thank you for your continued support of the Friend's Group and Merced County Library. Together we can achieve.

Amy Taylor
County Librarian
Merced County Library

5 Reasons to Volunteer

5. Build New Relationships
4. Discover Hidden Talents
3. Give back to a cause you Believe In
2. Get Inspired

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For convenience, the FOL has decided to place our membership slip in every newsletter. You may return the form below by mail or renew at the annual meeting on June 2, 2016. We will send a receipt if you request one, otherwise use your cancelled check. We are a 501 c3 designated nonprofit and your dues are deductible as allowed by law. You may also make extra donations at any time.

Friends of the Merced County Public Library Membership Form			
Type of Membership Individual \$15 Family \$25 Life \$100 Corporate \$100	Donation _____ Total Enclosed _____ Special Instructions: _____ _____ _____	Return to: Friends of the Merced County Public Library PO Box 2463 Merced, CA 95344-0463	
THANK YOU for your support!!!		Need a receipt? Yes__ No__	

Membership dues year runs from June 1-May 31. The membership form is placed always for new members. Those holding memberships should renew by June 1st.

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