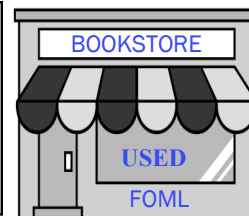




# BOOKNOTES



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.....

.....Gary Grim

Reflecting back on 2016, the **FRIENDS** of the Murrieta Library had a successful year. We fulfilled the Library's funding requests and added \$5,000 to the Dorothy Renon Endowment Fund and ended the year with a comfortable balance in the bank. I anticipate the year ahead will be equally successful. Our Program Chairs, Judy Call and Maggie Pilotte continued to provide great programs for the general meetings. All the volunteers, board members and advisors are to be thanked for making 2016 such a good year.

As we move ahead, we may soon need new members for the Board of Directors. If you are interested, please contact me or one of the Board members. It will save me from twisting arms.

I wish all of you a Great and Healthy New Year. I look forward to seeing many more of you at our general meetings where you will be treated to more interesting and enlightening programs and always good food thanks to our Refreshment Committee.



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Two of the best ways to overcome winter doldrums are 1) by giving to others and 2) by hanging out with friends. Lela, Pat, Eleanor and Coletha look forward to your giving generously and hanging out with **Friends** at the Refreshment Table for a joyous **New Year**. Thanks to all!!

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**"January 1, 2017 is the first blank page of a 365 page book. Write a good one."**

.....Brad Paisley



## PROGRAMS

.....Maggie Pilotte and Judy Call, Co-Chairs

**January 17th - - - Elise Malkowski, Murrieta Public Library Manager**

**Speaking on: "A Day in the Life of Running the Library"**

She will cover all aspects of what it takes to keep a public library functioning efficiently and hospitably to meet the needs of the whole community. You won't want to miss this most informative and very helpful presentation.

**February 21st - - - Linda Seed, Local Author**

Linda is a romance author and freelance fiction editor who lives in Murrieta with her husband and three children. She enjoys scuba diving, skeet shooting and roller derby...(but mostly she just writes)

**MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR.**

All meetings are in the Library's Community Room at 10:00. The meetings are open to the public and they are free.

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## CORNER BOOKSTORE SIDEWALK SALE

**WHEN:** Saturday, February 18th  
**WHERE:** 39445B Los Alamos Road



There will be the usual selection of specially chosen books **all in prime condition.**

**Hardbacks.....\$1.00**

**Paperbackx......25**

Lela Llorens will be there, also with her table full of **Friends** information and a beverage.

**COME EARLY AND BEAT THE RUSH!!**

## Rose Parade Rider's Story

by Lela Llorens

For the 2017 Rose Parade, I was honored to be a rider on the float that celebrated 100 years of the Occupational Therapy (O.T.) profession. I was featured as a pioneer as my career in O.T. spanned more than 60 years and I was one of the first African Americans to join the profession. Eleanor Clarke Slagle was also a pioneer in O.T. She began her work at Hull House in Chicago. A replica of Hull House was prominent on the rear of the float. The float itself was resplendent in roses, stephanotis, cymbidium orchids and detailed with pumpkin seed rosettes and coconut chips fashioned to cover the trellis at the front of the float where I stood along with two other float riders and another on a swing wrapped in sisal.

I was honored, not only as one of the oldest living Eleanor Clarke Slagle (ECS) lecturers, I was #13 of a line of 45 or so who received the ECS lectureship. It is the highest academic honor awarded by the American Occupational Therapy Association. In 1969, I was the first and, even now, the only African American to receive this honor.

Riding on the float was a "once-in-a-lifetime" experience. Making eye contact and wishing Happy New Year to the Rose Parade audience was exciting and lots of fun!!!

"Books are a uniquely portable magic."

.....Stephen King

"I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book." .....Groucho Marx

"You can never get a cup of tea large enough or a book long enough to suit me." .....C.S. Lewis

*I HAVE A "MAGIC*



*"AND IT OPENS THE DOORS TO A WONDERLAND  
OF BOOKS*

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Friday. ....10-8

No doubt most of you watched the Rose Parade and were impressed by what seemed to be even more spectacular, innovative, gorgeous floats than ever before. Besides, one of our own being honored by riding on the Occupational Therapy float, the 42-foot-tall UPS Store "**Books Bring Us Together**" float featuring that adorable giraffe was especially impressive. And, of course, their subject was most appealing to all of us book enthusiasts.

Encourage everyone to visit our bookstores and take advantage of the fabulous selection and reasonable prices they offer. All the profits benefit our wonderful Murrieta Public Library so your support is important.



### BOOK REVIEW

By Sharon Hunter

### I'VE GOT SAND IN ALL THE WRONG PLACES

By Lisa Scottoline and  
Francesca Serritella

This is a light hearted book filled with humorous stories regarding life's both funny and serious experiences. Many readers may consider Lisa a crime or mystery writer and not know that as a guest columnist for the *Philadelphia Inquirer* she wrote amusing, entertaining columns about a variety of topics, ranging from online dating to fleece as formal wear.

The stories are short. As a result It's a fun, light-hearted way to begin your new year reading. The book can be picked up and put down easily.

## MEMBERSHIP.....Sandra Lucas

The holidays brought us two new members—Barbara Nugent and Karen Michaud. We welcome you and hope to meet you at one of our meetings. Barbara Nugent is already volunteering at the Corner bookstore. Seven members renewed their memberships—thank you!

Which brings me to the subject of renewals...Keep this thought in mind as you renew your membership. The Murrieta Public Library serves more than 300,000 patrons a year and thousands more online. The Library holds more than 87,000 items, from books, e-books and DVDs to online data bases which may be utilized by anyone with a library card.

If you use and love the Library, you already know the incredible things that your support is powering for our community. Because of our members, every single person living in Riverside County has the opportunity to read, think, explore and succeed.

The Friends of the Murrieta Library thank you for renewing your membership.

As we say goodbye to 2016, we also said goodbye to two original Lifetime members—Linda Tomlin and Joann Callahan. Linda painted the children's mural at the Corner Bookstore and volunteered many hours to that bookstore. Among Joann's many achievements in Murrieta, her most recent act of giving was to create the children's area at the Corner bookstore. She and her friend, Carol Carson bought bookcases, special carpet, small tables and chairs for children to sit at and read. She had a mural painted with butterflies on either side that said CHEYENNE'S CORNER, all in memory of her niece, Cheyenne, who died at age five. They bought decorations suitable for each month and changed them every month. Two ladies who are greatly missed!

Another Lifetime Member we are saying goodbye to is Teen Librarian Joyce Lea Brown, who is retiring from librarian duties and moving to Idaho. She has been one of FOML's best cheerleaders. The only thing she was missing were the pom-poms! Sadly, we wish her the very best.

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### 17-Month Historical Calendar

**Oops**, did you miss giving a calendar to your neighbor, sister, brother, friend, hairdresser, barber or any other special person in your life for Christmas or Hanukah? Do not despair because you may still buy one at either bookstore or Terry's Coffee Trader to wish them a Happy New Year!

Or maybe you forgot to get one for yourself! You will want to be able to utilize all 17 months—each page filled with historical information about Murrieta, quotes about books or libraries and the first four speakers for the [Friends of the Murrieta](#) Library meetings. All proceeds from the sale of this calendar go to the Friends and ultimately, the Murrieta Library.

**Support the library—Buy a Calendar!**

### Friends of the Murrieta Library *Celebrating 20 Years*



January 2017 — May 2018 Calendar

## MURRIETA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

...from Elise Malkowski, Library Manager


Dear Friends,

**Happy New Year!** As we welcome 2017 and look ahead to another successful year, I'd like to say thank you for your continued support and generous donations throughout 2016. Our stellar programs and collections are the result of your hard work and dedication in raising funds for the Library. Speaking of generous donations, staff is thrilled that the Library will be starting the new year off with professionally cleaned carpets, thanks to your generous donation of \$3,500.

In December, the Library bade a fond farewell to Teen Librarian, Joyce Brown. Ms. Brown retired after 33 years of librarianship, of which ten were with the Murrieta Public Library, and her last day was December 30th. Ms. Brown was responsible for creating the very successful, **Read for a Reason**, Summer Reading Program for the Teens. Her dedication to the Murrieta Community for the past ten years is very much appreciated and she will be missed. Filling the vacancy due to Ms. Brown's retirement was a top priority and interviews were held the last week of November. Ashley Jennings Bigay, who is a current part-time library assistant in the children's department, was offered the position and will start her new assignment January 8th.

The Library received a generous donation of \$2,000 from the Murrieta Valley Historical Society. The money will go towards the oral history project and preserving the history of Murrieta. Adult Services Librarian, Laura Davis, will be working with the Murrieta Valley Historical Society to present additional history speaker programs and other Heritage Room related projects.

The winter and spring programs are planned and include the regular **Mother Goose and Me, Wee Wiggles** and **Snugglybug Storytimes**. In addition, there are a variety of programs such as a **Camp Run-A-Muk** and **Valen-"Slime" Day** for children ages 3-12. Upcoming family programs include a **Meet Our Local Heroes Series** with the **Murrieta Police K9 Unit** in January, **Murrieta Fire Department** in February and **California Highway Patrol** in March. New for adults in 2017 is the **IFC (Independent-Foreign-Classic) Film Club**. Participants will watch the selected films on their own and come to the Club to discuss the films.

**Coming in February is**  **"Love Your Library" month.** This month-long celebration of school, public, and private libraries of all types is a time for everyone, especially library support groups, to recognize the value of libraries and to work to assure that the Nation's libraries will continue to serve. In recognition of this celebration, the Murrieta Library will waive \$.50 of fines for each non-perishable food item brought to the Library's Customer Services Desk. The maximum amount of fines waived is \$10.00. This is a great way to reduce or eliminate the fines from your library account and help those in the community who need assistance. The donations will be given to the Murrieta United Methodist Church.

**Have a wonderful 2017!** We look forward to seeing you throughout the year!

### NEW MEMBERSHIP / RENEWAL FORM

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Lifetime members receive an [engraved leaf on the "GIVING TREE"](#) in the Library.



## SANTA ROSA PLATEAU

The Santa Rosa Plateau Ecological Reserve, located at the southern end of the Santa Ana Mountains in southwest Riverside County near Murrieta, is a hidden gem that offers a fascinating glimpse into the history and ecosystems of the area. Consisting of 9000 acres, the Reserve protects unique ecosystems such as Englemann oak woodlands, riparian wetlands, coastal sage scrub, chaparral, bunchgrass prairie, and vernal pools as well as more than 200 species of native bird and 49 endangered, threatened or rare animal and plant species, including mule deer, mountain lions, badgers, bobcats, western pond turtles, white-tailed kites and fairy shrimp. Of the two species of fairy shrimp that live in the seasonal vernal pools on the Reserve, one is found here and nowhere else on earth. Due to the recent rains, the vernal pools are once again full and are attracting many visitors.

The two oldest standing structures in Riverside County, the Moreno and Machado adobes, which date back to 1846, are located here and once served as bunkhouses for cowboys. These interesting historical buildings, shaded by a 400-year old oak tree and separated by a relaxing one-of-a-kind picnic area, provide a unique opportunity to experience Riverside County's rich history.

Remember, a couple of years ago, when Murrieta had this beautiful snowfall. We enjoyed the snow for several days.



### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

As the Friends of the Murrieta Library, our mission is to support the Murrieta Public Library through fundraising, advocacy and volunteerism, and to promote awareness of and support for the Library as it serves the informational, educational cultural and recreational needs of our Community.

## A Visit with Temecula Valley Kiwanis

What a good sport Joyce Brown is! The recently retired former Teen Librarian agreed to accompany me to a 7 a.m. meeting of the Kiwanis Club. Our mission, at their request, was to provide a timeline for the **Friends** and the Library. We gladly complied, and since we found the audience very attentive and interested, Joyce talked about many of the programs for all ages available at our Library while I promoted the **Friends** general meeting speakers, our two Bookstores, and our Amazon bookstores. Both Joyce and I recommended the Kiwanis Club members attend the Friends' January meeting to hear Elise speak on "A day in the Life of Running the Library".

I discovered the Kiwanis Club is very involved with projects involving children, especially their **Key Program for teens**. Key Club International is a self-governing, student-led organization that is guided and supported by Kiwanis volunteers. Several of our local high schools participate in this program and last week, along with Kiwanis club members they helped decorate the Rose Bowl parade floats.

The Temecula Valley Kiwanis Club is a very busy group, involved with many charities in our valley. Several did show an interest in including us in their volunteer service. I hope to see Kiwanis members at our January meeting.

Pat Farmer

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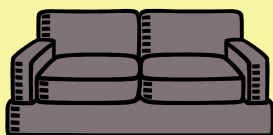
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