



# BOOKNOTES



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.....

.....Gary Grim



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As the end of my 4<sup>th</sup> year as president of the Friend's Board of Directors nears, I am reminded of the old recruiting poster from past wars: "Uncle Sam Wants You". I am going to use a spinoff of that slogan: "The Friends of the Murrieta Library want you".

There are needs for volunteers in these areas:

Several of the Board members may be leaving in the next year and need replacements.

Bookstore volunteers are always needed.

On the job training. No experience necessary.

Pleasant working conditions. Choose your time and day.

Committee volunteers are needed to help the Board members.

The 4 years has been rewarding and fun for me. You get to meet and converse with interesting people. For us retired seniors it keeps the mind working in a fun environment.

Contact any of the Board members if you would like to take advantage of these rewarding opportunities to support the library.

## ANNUAL FOML CHRISTMAS PARTY

### CARSONS SIX C'S RANCH

25471 Hayes Avenue (Use Brown Street)

DECEMBER 12TH—11:00 A.M.



**This is a great opportunity to meet some of the Library staff, other members and just socialize.**

**Contact Lela Llorens—951-305-6220— to let her know what you will be bringing in the way of refreshments. Hope to see many of you there.**

## PROGRAMS

.....Maggie Pilotte and Judy Call-Co-Chair

**DON'T MISS THIS ONE!**

**Kate Prestia-Schaub and YiYi Ku**

**The Music of Friends ♪♪♪ Flute and Piano**

**November 21, 2017—10:00 A.M.**

We are so pleased to celebrate Fall with a concert by two amazing local musicians and close friends!

Kate Prestia-Schaub is an active and enthusiastic performing and recording artist throughout Southern California. She is the first-place winner of many prestigious flute and piccolo competitions and has played concerts throughout the United States, Canada, Europe and Asia. Several composers have written music specifically for her. Kate is active in local music organizations and maintains a busy teaching schedule, both in Temecula and elsewhere via Skype!

YiYi Ku is well known to the Friends, having performed by herself, with other professional musicians and with her students here several times! She is an active performer and collaborative pianist, and maintains a busy private teaching studio in Murrieta, where she enjoys teaching students of all ages and levels.

These two great friends and colleagues have planned a wonderful program for the Friends—come join us!



**Come together FRIENDS in fellowship and gratitude to give thanks for all the goodness in our lives!**

Your Hospitality Committee  
Lela, Pat, Eleanor and Mila

**"Books are no more threatened by Kindle than stairs by elevators."**

.....Stephen Fry, Actor

## “Where It All Comes Together”

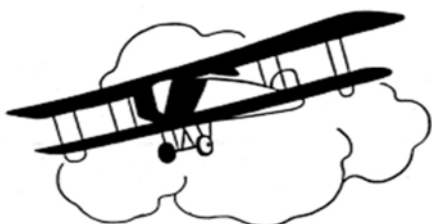
Murrieta no longer wants its original motto, so I am claiming it for the Friends’ Corner Bookstore, where it proved to be so true for our Sidewalk Sale of October 14th. The process actually started on Friday evening when two young men who are regular customers and members came to take the many boxes of books up to the front of the store to be ready for set up on Saturday. Isaiah is from Perris, and Miguel is from Moreno Valley.

Saturday began at 9:00am when the LDS Missionaries, as arranged by Lois Wurtz (Murrieta), began work promptly setting up the E-Z Up, the tables, and all the boxes of books. (One Missionary was from Pennsylvania, one from Tennessee, and two from Utah; they were joined by two Murrieta high school church members.) While they were working, Lovely Loyal Lela Llorens was setting up her station with cold drinks, and membership and Veteran’s flag information. (She came from Hemet.) Joining soon to cover the outside sales was Ann Hickey (from Menifee) and for the inside sales Juanita Brown (Murrieta.) Others soon showed up: Jacqueline Reed (Murrieta) and Lois Mayhew (Winchester). In the afternoon, Kelli-Ann Almeida (Menifee) worked inside, and Susan Black (Murrieta) and Marcia Stumpf (Temecula, by way of Dial-A-Ride) worked outside. Then there was yours truly all day (Murrieta). At 5:00pm, the LDS Missionaries returned to repack the remaining books and bring everything back inside.

The champ, however, of “coming together” was Lauren Abernathy who flew in from Texas just for the weekend. As usual, she worked, and organized, and priced her fingers to the bone. There’s no way I can ever thank her enough for everything she has done over the past few years for the store – and she’ll be back at Thanksgiving break! Hooray!

Oh, and you might like to know what this coming together brought in: \$1,214.00!!!! Now that’s coming TOGETHER! So many thanks to everyone in our amazing community!

Nancy Dixon



**Soar to new heights through reading!**

## January Board Elections

As of January, 2018, the terms of four Board of Directors positions are up for re-election: Carol Carson, Nancy Dixon, Rita Nastro, and the position from which Aimée Fitch resigned last year. Carol, Nancy, and Rita are running, as well as Pat Farmer, who was appointed to replace Aimée. In addition, we are sorry to announce, our President, Gary Grim, is resigning due to health problems. There is one year left in his term, and Dan Rexwinkel is running to complete that term. Note: these candidates are for *Board* positions, not for the *Officer* positions, which will be voted on by the Board after the election in January.

As of now, there are five openings, and five candidates. In this case, we can approve the slate by acclamation in January, and ballots will not be necessary. Should anyone else care to run, ballots will be necessary, so we will need to know by the end of November. Anyone interested should contact me at 921-677-5350.

Nancy Dixon, Parliamentarian

## BOOKS ARE FUN FUNDRAISERS!!

And what is more fun than shopping at our Bookstores where you find the best prices, the greatest selection and the most helpful sales people. Get the word out to **everyone!** It is through our Bookstores we are able to support our Library.



Be sure to add Bookstore Gift Certificates to your Christmas shopping list. These are a great solution for children’s stockings or for adults who are difficult to buy for. Books themselves make wonderful gifts and there is no better place to shop than in our Bookstores where you will find a wonderful selection and prices that won’t break the bank.

“If we encounter persons of rare intellect, we should ask what books they read.”

.....Ralph Waldo Emerson

**RAVE REVIEWS FOR FRIENDS OF THE MURRIETA LIBRARY BOOKSTORES**

*“This bookstore is awesome. It’s a used bookstore owned by the Murrieta Library (actually Friends of) but it’s not located in the library. It’s located far away from the Murrieta library actually. It’s located in some shopping outlet.*

*It’s big for a used bookstore. It’s clean and well-organized. The prices are awesome, too; most of the books are normally under \$5.*

*I definitely recommend coming here if you want to find an awesome bargain.*

*Here’s an example of a bargain I got. I’m a fan of martial arts. I’m very open minded and accept all kinds of styles. I collect martial arts books. I got this book for only \$1.50; cheaper than amazon and ebay!!!”*

*Josh I., San Diego, CA*

*“I don’t know why it took me so long to visit this store. I love it, as do my boys. I leave with stacks of books, that are in great condition and very affordable. The store is clean and organized and I am so excited to continue purchasing books from here!”*

*Sun City, CA*

*“One of my favorite used book stores. The prices here are great and the staff is wonderful and very helpful. There is a wide selection of books spread across a multitude of genres. The owner (actually it is the store manager) buys new copies of books off the local high school’s required reading lists and sells them at a discounted price.”*

*Kellie H., Wildomar, CA*

*“You can’t beat the deals here. Great value and you can get what you want. Give them a shot.”*

*Charles N., Wildomar, CA*

(The Friends of the Murrieta Library operate two bookstores; a smaller one at the Library and a larger one on Los Alamos.)

*“WOW! What else can you say about this awesome find? I just bought the collector’s James Bond books which are normally pricey for \$1.25 each. And they were brand new!!! For real, this is the place to buy used books if you don’t want to get them on Amazon. P.S. If I bought the same books on Amazon, I still would have paid more. So hurray!!!”*

*Brinda J., San Diego, CA*

*“Overall, a very good bookstore. Very nice and helpful stuff. Nice, big selection of books. Very very great deal...Anywhere from 50%-85% off.”*

*Dante M., San Diego, CA*

*“Super nice ladies volunteering in here. I dropped off a cart full of books and they were so grateful. They sell them cheap and the money goes to supporting the main library. Great concept. Nicely done!”*

*Brent M., Murrieta, CA*

*“This small bookstore is right off the Murrieta Branch library. It’s small, but carries a pretty varied selection of popular fiction, romance and other books.*

*The selection often changes since library patrons donate their books as well as pick up new ones. New Paperback releases are often \$2 vs. \$1 for older books.*

*They have a larger bookstore off of the 215/Los Alamos exit that has a wider selection.*

*ardith S., Torrance, CA*

*“Great bookstore! You walk in with some spare change and walk out with a good book. Check back every few weeks and you will find new ones there. I have got great books here for 75 cents or a buck. Check it out.*

*Charles R., Murrieta, CA*

(Watch for our quarterly **Sidewalk Sales** where even greater bargains are available.)



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 Friday. ....10-8

# MURRIETA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Dear Friends,

November is a time of giving thanks and I'd like to take this opportunity to say THANK YOU for all you do to support the Library. The many hours volunteering in the bookstores and in the Library, fundraising, or just touting the Library to every new person you meet. We couldn't provide the excellent programs we do or purchase the wonderful collection we have without YOU!

Fall programs are underway and include **Dinosaur Hunters** for ages 3-12 on November 8<sup>th</sup> and **Santa's Workshop Romp** for ages 3-12 on December 11<sup>th</sup>. On November 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m., Librarian, Laura Davis, will be giving a presentation, **Behind the Glass**, about the Library's Heritage Room Collection. Lastly, **Genealogy Consultant**, Karl Weiler, will be available Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00 p.m. in the Heritage Room to help with your family history needs. For more information and a list of all programs, please check the Library's web page at [www.murietalibrary.info](http://www.murietalibrary.info).

The holiday season will be here soon! The upcoming Library closures are: Saturday: November 11<sup>th</sup> for Veterans' Day, Thursday and Friday: November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving, Monday: December 25<sup>th</sup>, for Christmas, as well as Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, for the New Year.

Sincerely,

Elise Malkowski, Library Manager



## BOOK REVIEW

### A COLUMN OF FIRE by Ken Follett

I am a long-time fan of Ken Follett. I particularly liked his *The Pillars of the Earth*. His latest novel is *A Column of Fire*. It is rich in medieval history during a time when England seesaws between Catholicism and Protestantism. When Elizabeth I takes the throne, she sets up England's first secret service. She clings to her throne protected by a group of resourceful spies and secret agents. The book also focuses on Ned and Margery who love each other but are of different religions, and their struggles are woven throughout the novel.

The book has all the ingredients to keep happy readers who like historical novels filled with intrigue and romance. It is timeless in its theme of the pursuit of tolerance over tyranny. By Sharon Hunter

Sign up a friend—Print,



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—or drop off at

the Library or either Bookstore.

## NEW MEMBERSHIP / RENEWAL FORM

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- Business..... \$100.00
- LIFETIME.....\$250.00

Lifetime members receive an **engraved leaf** on the "GIVING TREE" in the Library.

**MEMBERSHIP**.....Sandra Lucas, Chair

We just finished up National Friends of Libraries Week where we handed out many brochures, READ bracelets, pencils and sticky note pads. The kids did a Library Scavenger Hunt, placed their entry form in the pumpkin and a winner of a In-and-Out gift card was pulled at the end of each day. Thank you to Mary Lou Rothacher, Juanita Brown, Eleanor Newhard and Pat Farmer for helping man the table at the library and telling library goers what good things the Friends do. Four memberships were gained during the week. We happily welcome Aldriena Sarratt, Karen Fritschi, Emille and Bob Drewyler and Mitzi and Dale Neverman.

We also welcome Faye Whitman, Charlene Kirkwood, Patricia Sullivan, Elaine Maxwell, Isaiah Rosario and Jenay Fairchild. Several will be working in the bookstores and we are immensely grateful. Thank you and we hope to see you at a meeting as well.

Many of you have renewed your membership and we thank you for that! We were proud to sit in the library and be able to tell library patrons especially with children that many of their children’s programs are being sponsored by the Friends of the Murrieta Library.



The **Friends of the Murrieta Library’s** website is full of information about upcoming programs, current and past *Booknotes*, location of bookstores, membership applications, Officers and Directors’ names, Field of Honor flag applications and other useful information. Use this link for direct access to our website.

[www.murrietalibraryfriends.org](http://www.murrietalibraryfriends.org)

“In a week’s TV viewing time, you could read all of Maya Angelou’s poems, the Psalms, The Great Gatsby....and much more.”

**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.

**MURRIETA CITY NEWS**

**FIELD OF HONOR—2,017 American Flags** will be flying briskly in the wind at Town Square Park from November 4th to the 11th. By purchasing your flag for \$35.00 through the Friends, we receive 10%. It is a wonderful way to honor some one and support the Friends. Forms are available at either bookstore or Terry’s Coffee Trader on Washington Avenue. This is such an impressive display — **a sight to behold!!**



**VETERAN’S DAY PARADE**—November 11th 10 a.m.—Begins on Washington Avenue with a fly over and the National Anthem. Parade ends at Town Square Park with the Field of Honor.

**Murrieta RECREATION GUIDE**

**Fall/Winter 2017-2018 Issue**

It has details for the upcoming **HOLIDAY MAGIC** that includes among other things the Santa Stops—Santa will be on his sleigh collecting canned food and toys for needy kids; Donuts with Santa and the Festival of Lights and Tree Lighting. Call 951-304-7275 for more information about these exciting events.

It is also filled with opportunities for classes and activities for all ages and all interests. Plus much more—it lists all Murrieta Parks with information on reserving shelters; a section on the Youth Center and one on the Senior Center.

Call (951)304-PARK (7275) or pick one up at City Hall



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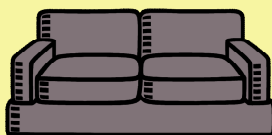
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