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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.....

.....Gary Grim



As I start my 4th year on the **Friends** Board, I am encouraged that 2017 is off to a good start and we should be able to continue our current level of support for the Library. We have a good Board of Directors and great bookstore and Internet managers, along with an unusual number of wonderful volunteer workers.

As I reflect on the individual key people I realize that in the next few years we are going to need some new Board of Director members. Some of us, like myself, are getting on in years and will be ready to relinquish our responsibilities to some energetic new people. It would be appreciated if interested persons would contact me to discuss future possibilities. That saves the unpleasant task of twisting arms like mine was originally twisted.

I want to thank Pat Farmer for assuming the role of Secretary after the resignation of Aimée Fitch. Aimée is still involved in other areas. Pat was appointed to complete Aimée's current term.

NOTE: How fortunate the **Friends of the Murrieta Library** have been that Gary did let his arm be twisted and take on the job of president. You have been a dedicated, very involved presence, Gary, and we appreciate so much what you have brought to our group. **Thank you!!**



LEPRECHAUN - A small fairy who wears green to help him blend into the grass and leaves as a camouflage. If you see one, "get him and hold him tight." Aside from his pot of gold, spotting a leprechaun is also considered good luck.

PROGRAMS

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

In our Program Chairs' continuing efforts to bring us a variety of interesting, educational, and enlightening topics, they hope you will plan on attending the following meetings to learn more about these subjects. And our sincere thanks to Maggie and Judy for their expertise in rounding up all these special speakers.

MARCH 21ST—POET RUTH NOLAN

Ruth Nolan writes poetry about her life and her journeys throughout the desert. She also posts her original desert photography on her blog that you will find at ruthnolan.blogspot.com

APRIL 18TH—PENNY ALVERSON

Penny is a **Nursery and Gardening Expert** and works at Armstrong Garden Center in Temecula. She will demonstrate how to improve our lawns and conserve water. A most important issue even with all the rains we have had lately.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS SO YOU DON'T FORGET.

All meetings are held in the Library's Community Room at 10:00. The programs start after a short business meeting. Meetings are free and open to the public. Bring a friend. Hope to see you there!!



The joy of Being is the joy of being connected. Being connected with **Friends** brings such joy.

Join your Hospitality Committee in that joyful connection and remember to sign up to share your culinary creations.

Lela, Pat, Eleanor and Coletha

UTR—United Through Reading

Run by a San Diego-based nonprofit, the program enables military parents to be recorded on DVD reading storybooks to their faraway children. UTR was founded in 1989 by Betty Mohlenbrock, the wife of a naval flight surgeon who was deployed when their daughter was a baby; after his return, the child didn't recognize him, and their relationship had to be painstakingly rebuilt.

Betty Mohlenbrock, an educator, who had seen children lagging at school because no one read to them at home, designed the program as a way to sustain family closeness while boosting literacy. Through this program, parents who have taken advantage of it come home to children who do recognize them and feel close and comfortable with this parent who has been away.

The Reader's Digest Foundation, via its R.E.A.D. Together campaign, has joined forces with UTR to promote the benefits of parent involvement in childhood literacy. Now operating out of more than 200 command posts and USOs around the world, UTR has worked with nearly two million men, women and children.



"Spring is the only season that flutters in on gentle wings and builds nests in our hearts."

Toni Sorenson, Author



BOOK REVIEW

By Sharon Hunter

The Jane Austen Book Club

By Karen Joy Fowler

Five women and one man decide to meet to discuss Jane Austen's books. "Over the six months they meet, marriages are tested, affairs begin, unsuitable arrangements become suitable, and love happens." The frailties of human behavior and the absurdities of human discourse are typical of Jane Eyre.

As the author Gail Tsukiyama says, "the book is filled with humor, intelligence, sense and sensibility." The book could easily be describing the attitudes and actions of people today. If you appreciated the social comedies of Jane Eyre, you will enjoy this novel. Even if you did not, this is a fun read!

"I am still learning."Michelangelo

MURRIETA EQUESTRIAN PARK

The City Council authorized Lea Kolek, Parks and Recreation Manager, to come up with a plan for this area on Hayes Avenue north of Ivy Street. This is an extraordinarily, beautiful plan that will bring in equestrian events while preserving Murrieta's past equestrian history, including plaques that will tell the story of the Ridder Ranch, original owners of this property.

This is a dream for the future. A grass roots group will be formed to try and raise money for this worthwhile project. Any interested parties contact Lea at the city.

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MEMBERSHIP.....Sandra Lucas

Wow! Nine new members— all since the beginning of the year! A big welcome to Virginia Attarian, Saundra Felker, Michael and Suzi Lopez, Vince and Mary Shiavi, Patricia Shaughnessy, Susan Black, Sharon Chaffin, Carol Trout and Karen Michaud! We hope to see you at the meetings so we can greet you personally. Some of these new members are already volunteering at our bookstores and we thank you for that.

We appreciate all the renewals, also. When you renew your membership, keep in mind — because of our members every single person in Riverside County has the opportunity to read, think, explore and succeed through the use of our public libraries.

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



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LETTER FROM A **FRIEND**

September 23, 2016

Dear Carol,

When I read in "**Friends of the Library**" News Notes that the total amount awarded at the Anniversary Party to the Murrieta Library amounted to \$182,000; I am in awe of the number of faithful volunteers who have served in the bookstores selling books for a dollar or so each through all the years since the founding of this wonderful service organization, motivating me to contribute to the **Living Tree**.

You will find my check for \$250 enclosed which is a small amount when the total hours of service to **Friends** if converted to dollar amount would far exceed the book sales. This then is my way of thanking all of the early organizers and the loyal staff which does such a splendid job of making the book stores "**The Friendliest Places**" in the community and providing funds to encourage excellent resources for our Murrieta Public Library.

Thanks go especially to you who have so faithfully served as treasurer of the monies collected. Gratitude also goes to the founders and friends who have sustained this marvelous group of neighbors so we can have our Library be the beautiful, restful, inspiring place it is. Here's to the million dollar mark and to all who participate.

With love,

Pat (Patricia C. Reardon)



NOTE: Sorry I am so long in sharing this warm, heartfelt letter from this dear lady, a long time member of the **Friends** and a past volunteer herself at the Town Square bookstore.

She has expressed so eloquently how we all feel about our wonderful volunteer "**GEMS**." We would not be able to do all we do if it were not for their faithful "minding the stores." Editor

MURRIETA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS



Dear Friends,

I'm delighted to report that the Library has a couple of new programs this spring. **Zen Time** for ages birth to 5 with an adult is a recently added program where the children will strengthen their bodies and minds in this energy releasing class with an emphasis on breathing, relaxation techniques, and art therapy. Also new is **Sensory Storytime presented by Comprehensive Autism Center**. This is in addition to our current Sensory Storytime program and will occur at 4 p.m. on the second Friday of the month. Regarding our wonderful lineup for ongoing programs, we have changed things up a bit and renamed the Storytime programs. **Mother Goose and Me Storytime is now called Preschool Prep, Wee Wiggles is now Talented Toddlers, Family Storytime is now Fantastic Families and Snugglebug Sign Language Storytime is now Brilliant Babies.**


March 17th will mark the 10th year in our current building and April 10th will mark the 18th year of the establishment of the Library. **Librarian/Archivist, Laura Davis, will have a display in the Heritage Room depicting the growth of the Library.** Oral histories will be available to check out and historic photos of Murrieta are now available to view on the Library's web page. To view the photos just go to www.murrietalibrary.info and click on the Heritage Room link in the blue box on the left side. Laura Davis has been very busy working on making these historical documents available to the public and to commemorate opening our doors to the current Library 10 years ago. The Library has come a long way and we couldn't have done it without your help and dedication to making this a wonderful place for the community's informational, educational, recreational and cultural needs.

And lastly, due to the Tour de Murrieta bike race event, the Library will be closed on Saturday, March 11th. The book drops will be open, but traffic may make it difficult to access the book drops. Library users are reminded that while the Murrieta Library will be closed for the one day, books, DVDs, CDs and other materials can be renewed beforehand at the Library or via the Library's web page where library patrons can view their personal accounts and access a variety of free resources that are always available for research.

HAPPY SPRING!

Sincerely,
Elise Malkowski, Library Manager



Sign up a friend—Print,  cut off and mail form below to P.O. Box 235, Murrieta 92564
——or drop off at the Library or either Bookstore.

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on the "GIVING TREE" in the Library.

SPECIAL DATES IN MARCH

March 11th & 12th — Tour de Murrieta Bike Race
March 11th —Johnny Appleseed Day
March 12th—Daylight Savings Time Begins
March 17th —St. Patrick's Day.
March 14th—National PI Day because today
being 3.14 is the value of PI
March 18th—National Quilt Day
March 20th—1st Day of Spring



Speaking of quilts—This quilt is one made by Terri Carson, a talented quilt designer and quilt maker. As you can see, the emphasis is on books. It is truly a work of art, as are all her many quilts. Terri is also a Lifetime Member and great supporter of the **Friends**.

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.

SPECIAL DATES IN APRIL

April 2nd—International Children's Book Day
Since 1967 on or around Hans Christian Anderson's
birthday, April 2 is celebrated to inspire a love of
reading and to draw attention to children's books.

April 16th—Easter

April 23rd—**Firefighters 70th Annual BBQ**

The **Friends** will have their usual booth at this
event, selling books. Contact Lela Llorens to sign
up for a shift. llorensjl@earthlink.net

April 26th—Hug a Friend Day

Hugs lasting 20 seconds or more cause the body to
release a "bonding" hormone called Oxytocin. This
hormone can help lower blood pressure, lower heart
rate, reduce the stress hormone cortisol and improve
your mood. So reach out and hug your friend today.

CITY OF MURRIETA NEWS

The final improvements to Town Square park will
begin this summer and include improvements to the
stage, addition of restrooms, Wi-Fi, improved lighting
and much more. These changes are funded with for-
mer redevelopment monies that were previously allo-
cated for this use but frozen by the State. Now that we
have access to the funding, it must be spent on the
park specifically.

Reminder to contact Carol Suer, our Sunshine
Chair, if you know of anybody who needs cheering
up due to loss of a loved one, an accident or any type
of health problem. Her phone number is 951-677-
8675 or via email carolmsuerhome@aol.com.

Carol sends out lovely, thoughtful cards that are
much appreciated at a time when someone's spirits
may be down.

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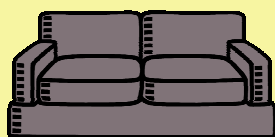
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