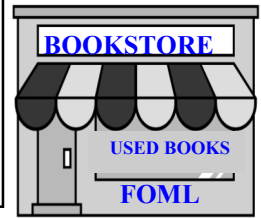




# BOOKNOTES



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

.....Gary Grim



You have read my comments in previous President's notes about how volunteering at the store is fun because people who read tend to be interesting. Many of them are willing to share their insights on books they have read and life in general.

During my latest shift, a gentleman inquired as to what type of books I read. That got me thinking. My reading interests have changed over the years. As a kid I read all the Tom Swift, Hardy Boys, Nancy Drew series. Then I moved on to Westerns and read most of Zane Grey's books. In the cold Midwest winters I would read 2 or 3 books a day on the weekends. As I transitioned to my college years I took courses in American literature. From there it was on to fiction until I retired in 2000. Then I began the transition to non-fiction which is now 90% of my reading. I read many different types; history, biography, ecology, politics, etc.

We have started the Holiday gift exchange tradition with our brothers by giving books. Most of those tend to be non-fiction. The book stores have lots of books that will satisfy the what to give at Christmas problem. Here are a few of the books I have read this year that may interest you if you are a non-fiction reader. All were gifts or recommendations from family and friends. 1. **Pacific** by Simon Winchester: covers various aspects of the Pacific basin, geography, politics, history, military, environment, etc. 2. **Jerusalem** by Simon Montefiore: A 4000 year history of the city of Jerusalem. 3. **An Empire on the Edge** by Nick Bunker. The revolutionary war from the British viewpoint and the blunders they made. 4. **Michael Jordan the Life** by Roland Lazenby. A look at the life and people around basketball star Michael Jordan. 5. **Lights Out** by Ted Koppel. The vulnerability of the U.S electrical grid which would destroy it for long periods of time. 6. **Voices in the Ocean** by Susan Casey: Interaction between humans and dolphins and the destruction humans are causing to the dolphin population and other sea creatures.

## PROGRAMS

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

**MAY 17TH.....**The Friends of the Murrieta Library present **TARA FALL**, a local author.

Seizures took her memory. Surgeons took a section of her brain. The resulting stroke took her peripheral eyesight and her ability to focus. Yet, nothing could take her spirit or unending drive to share optimism, knowledge and happiness.

Please attend and bring friends and family to hear this uplifting and inspiring speaker.

**JUNE 21ST.....** We will be treated to a talk by another local author, **BERT UPSON**. He will be speaking about his book

### ON A CLEAR DAY

9/11—An Eyewitness Account

Bert Upson is an educator and a survivor of 9/11. He was on the 28th floor when the plane hit the Second Tower.

“**On A Clear Day**” is his story of this unforgettable experience.

This is another outstanding program you won't want to miss. Our program chair persons do a lot of research to find good speakers on various subjects to enhance our meetings. Admission is free plus refreshing refreshments are served.

**President's Message**.....Continued

Volunteering at the stores can be fun, interesting and even a learning experience. If you are interested in a shift or so at one of the stores, talk to the managers. There are many needs besides just being at the counter. Volunteers are needed to price, shelve and cull books from the shelves. You just need a little training, willingly done by our bookstore managers. Hope to see you around and your name on the schedule.

**Happy Reading!**



The Fireman's BBQ is a great annual community event. The **Friends Booth** of books, CDs and DVDs from the Corner Store brought in a total of \$112.00. While this is less than we would have liked, the outreach to the community was very much worth it. We made some new friends, distributed brochures and information about the Library and about the **Friends of the Murrieta Library** organization. We enlisted interest in our monthly programs and reveled in the feedback from some of our frequent customers about how wonderful our bookstores are.

Ten members of the **Friends** were involved in setting up, staffing and taking down the booth. A **BIG** thank you to Pat and Lin Farmer for the use of their truck and organizational skills, without which none of this could have happened. A **special** thank you to Nancy Dixon and her volunteers who selected and packed the many boxes of books for sale and unpacked and restocked the unsold books, as well as helped with packing and unpacking the truck at the store. The assistance of Gary Grim, Lela Llorens, Pat Santo, Clara Stevenson, Carol Carson, Evelyn Dial, Aimee' and Abby Fitch was greatly appreciated. Our thanks must also go to The Temecula Valley Young Marines and The Young Explorers who helped us unload and load the truck at the site. Another great job by a great group of people!!

Lela Llorens.....Special Events Chair

We can all be **Friends**' Ambassadors by telling about this wonderful group whenever you have the chance.

*Early Warning*

by Jane Smiley

*Early Warning* is the second novel in a planned trilogy about the Langdon family mostly set in mid-century America. The patriarch has died and the five children have scattered, each of the children following a different path in a rapidly changing world. The novel follows their lives through the 40's to the 80's.

The characters are richly drawn as we meet the second generation of the Langdon family and become engrossed in their decisions that affect their lives and their children's. We become aware through them of the political, social and sexual issues of the times in which they live. *Some Luck* begins the saga of the Langdon family, *Early Warning* is the second, and by the time the third is published the saga will span a century.

Jane Smiley is a Pulitzer Prize-winning author. She has written over sixteen novels. I have read the first two in the trilogy and enjoyed them. I look forward to the third.

*"Friends are the flowers in the garden of life."*

Your Hospitality Committee members are most grateful for the **Friends** who support our efforts to set a bountiful table each meeting.

Lela, Pat, Eleanor and Coletha

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**READING PRINTED BOOKS.** Like, on actual paper. Scientists found that people who use e-readers had a much tougher time remembering story details compared with folks who read a printed version.

Things like holding the book, turning the pages, and touching the paper may contribute to better mental reconstruction of the book's plot.

Never mind that exposure to light from an e-reader's glowing screen before bed makes it harder to fall asleep and snooze soundly.

**Odyssey of the Mind team goes to World Competition**



The Cole Canyon Elementary School's team came in third place at the State Tournament which qualified them to advance to the World Finals Tournament at Iowa State University May 25-29.

The 7 fifth graders on the team are Kalya Archard, Matthew Richards, Nathan Gold, Carson O'Connor, Emmalee Horn, Ethan Parker and Breya Bachman. Cole Canyon Principal, Mike Marble, said, "This team is awesome! It is really amazing to watch their interpersonal dynamics and teamwork!"

Odyssey of the Mind is sponsored by NASA and the goal is to develop creative thinking and problem solving skills. Cyndi-Branson-Waller, teacher and coach and Constance Youens, facilitator, helped guide and encourage the team along the way. Branson-Waller said, "It has been such a treat to work with these 7 amazing students. I'm looking forward to our next journey together as they take on the World Competition." Youens agreed saying, "This team is so enthusiastic. Creativity just oozes out of their pores. You can't help but be pulled in by their lively performance and how they obviously care for each other and for OM. We can't wait to see how they wow the judges at the World Finals!"

Last year Nathan Gold and the Cole Canyon OM team went to the State Competition. "You get to see other teams and people from your general area and if you go far enough," Gold said, "you get to see the most creative people in the world."

**IMPORTANT MAY AND JUNE DATES**

- MOTHER'S DAY** .....May 8th 
- ARMED FORCES DAY** .....May 21st 
- MEMORIAL DAY**.....May 30th
- JENNINGS FAMILY**.....June 6th  
3rd generation Murrietans—"Murrieta Then & Now"  
Libray Community Room—6:00 p.m.
- FLAG DAY**.....June 14th

**CORNER BOOKSTORE**

**SIDEWALK SALE**.....June 18th  
Another opportunity to get gently used books in good condition at fabulous bargains. Come early and beat the crowds!!  
In the Murrieta Gateway Center on Los Alamos just off the I-215 Freeway.



**FATHER'S DAY AND**

**FATHER'S DAY CAR SHOW**...June 19th  
Cal Oaks Sports Park



**Odyssey of the Mind**.....Continued

"Everyone's crazy, fun, creative side comes out," said Carson O'Connor. As much fun as the students have, they got serious when explaining what it took to qualify for the World Competition." "We're going to have to work really hard," said Emmalee Horn, "considering how hard the State Competition was. If we don't work together as a team, we won't get it done."

The Cole Canyon team will be fundraising during the next month in order to raise the \$16,000.00 needed for them to participate in the World Finals.

**The Friends of the Murrieta Library** would like to take this opportunity to wish this amazing group of young people all the best as they enter this exciting competition. Our hats are off to both Cyndi-Branson-Waller and Constance Youens for working, teaching and encouraging our youth. It is time-consuming but so rewarding when you see results like this. If anyone interested in donating, may contact Constance Youens.

"If we encounter persons of rare intellect, we should ask what books they read."  
.....Ralph Waldo Emerson

**MURRIETA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS**

...from Elise Malkowski, Library Manager

Dear Friends,

It's hard to believe spring is almost over and summer is just around the corner! Going into our "busy" season, I am reminded once again we cannot do all that we do without your sponsorship and wonderful cooperation!

In conjunction with celebrating the City of Murrieta's 25<sup>th</sup> Birthday, the Library kicked off a Murrieta and Temecula Valley History Speaker Showcase. The first speaker, which was on March 22, was Steve Williamson, Museum Specialist from the Temecula Valley Museum. On Monday, June 6 at 6:00 p.m., Annette and Pat Jennings, third generation Murrietans and owners of The Jennings Collection, will speak in the Library's Community Room. For a complete list of speakers and information on all Library programs, please visit our web page at [www.murrietalibrary.info](http://www.murrietalibrary.info) or stop by the Library and pick up a flyer.

May is the month when final preparations; press releases, signs, book logs and all other Summer Reading Program plans, are wrapped up. May is also the month for school library tours. This is the perfect opportunity for teachers to fill gaps in classroom assignment time with a positive and productive field trip and gives the Library staff the perfect audience to promote the Summer Reading Program.

The Summer Reading Program begins June 11 and runs through July 23. The theme this year is Read for the Win! The theme is a tie-in to the 2016 Summer Olympics. Once again, Teen Librarian, Joyce Brown, continues the annual "Read for a Reason" teen program: for every page read and reported on a teen reading card, one cent will be donated to Animal Friends of the Valleys as well as Paws for Law, a foundation dedicated to supporting the Murrieta Police Department's K9 unit. Funding for "Read for a Reason" is provided by the generous donations from Carol Carson and Southern California Gas Company, a Sempra Energy utility.

Last but not least, we are currently working on filling two vacant Page positions. The positions became vacant in November and staff has been doing a stellar job keeping up with all the shelving, bookdrop retrieval and the variety of duties associated with a Page position. You should see two new faces at the Library in June.

Once again, a heartfelt THANK YOU for your tireless efforts in raising money for the Murrieta Library and supporting programs and ideas for delivering excellent library services to the Murrieta community.

The Murrieta Public Library offers **NOTARY PUBLIC** service to the general public. To make an appointment call Gretchen Sedlacek, Library Secretary, at 951-461-6147. Their fee is the same as the going rate.

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**FRIENDS OF THE MURRIETA LIBRARY MISSION STATEMENT**

And... “As **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.”

By becoming a **Friend** and renewing your membership in the **Friends**, you are doing just that! Eighteen members have renewed their memberships in the past several months and three new members will join in the support of the Murrieta Public Library! We welcome new members Ian Iverson, Nancy Liddle and Desiree Baggerly. When you see them at a meeting or one of the bookstores, introduce yourself and welcome them.

**Did you know?**

- ◆ 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.

Our deepest sympathy to Lois Wurtz and her many children and grandchildren in the passing of Lois’ husband, Leland. Leland had been under hospice care for some time, but is finally “at rest.”

As most of your know, Lois is one of our most faithful bookstore volunteers and long time member of the **Friends**. Even though Lee had been ill for some time, it was just recently that Lois had to stop coming to the bookstore to do her “job.” She is one of the pricers and she is really priceless. Our condolences to all the Wurtz family.

Memorial donations are being received in Lee’s name

We have just learned that Linda Tomlin, one of our original Lifetime members, has passed away. Linda was extremely active in the **Friends**, being involved in the Book Discussion Group; volunteering at the Corner and Town Square Bookstores; helping with the Style Shows when the Friends were doing those—you name it, Linda did it. And she loved to travel. Her favorite spot, that she returned to as often as she could was Provence, France. She has been inactive for some time due to ill health and her knowledge and enthusiasm has been sorely missed. Our condolences to this family, also.



**SUNSHINE CHAIR**.....Carol Suer

If any one knows of a member who has lost a loved one, or maybe is under the weather themselves—ill or recovering from surgery—or just needs a “lift” of encouragement, Carol is the one to contact. She will send them a lovely card to let them know we are thinking of them. You may contact Carol by phone--951-677-8675 or via email—[carolmsuerhome@aol.com](mailto:carolmsuerhome@aol.com). She will appreciate your letting her know of these needs.

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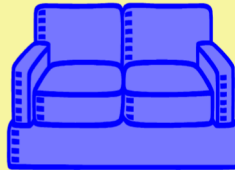
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