

PROGRAMS

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

July and August, the **Friends'** meetings are dark. We will resume again in September, Tuesday the 17th, with more interesting programs such as Carol Fitzpatrick, a best-selling author of sixteen books; a member of the DAR with ancestral ties to Lewis Meriwether, Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. Her subject *American President's Wives* should be a fascinating topic.

We are fortunate to have an author of her caliber and are looking forward to hearing her. You won't want to miss this program so tell your neighbors, family and other friends. They do not have to be members to attend. The meetings are held in the Library's Community Room at 10:00.

COME ONE—COME ALL!!



BOOK REVIEW

.... By Sharon Hunter

I am a fan of Greg Isles, a New York Times bestselling author. He has written fifteen books. His latest crime novel is *Natchez Burning* which is a sequel to the *Devil's Punchbowl*. I recommend you read that novel first to meet the characters.

Natchez Burning is a thriller which also provides a history lesson rooted in the real-life racial divides of the Deep South. It contains themes about race, violence, tradition, and family. As Stephen King says, "There's a bonus: you'll finish knowing a great deal about the Deep South's painful struggle toward racial equality, and the bloody road between Then and Now."

This is a real cliff-hanger.

Sale Celebration

Loudly did we cheer when at the end of the **Overstock Sale** on Saturday, June 21st we added up the numbers: the total outside was \$387, and inside was \$641, for a grand (pun intended) total of **\$1,028!!!** The outside is always lower since so are the prices. Outside, we sold approximately 400 paperbacks and 300 hardbacks – a whole lot of books! None of this would be possible, of course, without the many volunteers directly involved. Millions of thanks to (alphabetically) Juanita Brown, Emily Ferrell, Bob Granzow, Ann Hickey, Lela Llorens, Sherry Popp, Jacqueline Reed, Lois Wurtz and Brian Youens. Bob came in Friday evening to lug all the boxes of books, as well as the six tables, the pop-up tent, the bins and plastic cubes, etc., all from the storeroom in the back to the front where they awaited the set-up crew in the morning. Lois (as she has done faithfully for every sale) arranged for members of her Mormon church as well as their Missionaries to come in the morning to set up, then at the end of the day to bring everything back inside. She also arranges for Deseret Industries to pick up the unsold books. Brian came in on Sunday to put the tables, etc. back in the storeroom – impeccably organized per usual!

Lela arrived early, also per usual, to set up her station with free lemonade, as well as a table with Friends' membership forms and info regarding the Field of Honor. She stays there all day, covering the money station when needed. She also strings colorful flags around the area, so they can be seen from way across the parking lot. Lela-the-cheerleader also spread the word about the sale to many at the senior center, as well as other friends and neighbors. A large group of the customers come because of her enthusiasm. Cheers for you, Lela!

More cheers and thanks for great publicity: Rita Nastri got us into *The Neighborhood News* and on the *Murrieta Patch*. Dan Rexwinkel, our wonderful Web Master, added the sale to the web site, where he said we had many hits due to the piece on the *Murrieta Patch*. Also, several customers said they had learned of the sale from Facebook, thanks to Aimée Fitch. A number of customers came with Starbucks' cups in hand, demonstrating that its presence has increased our customer base.

Again, many thanks and congratulations to all!

Nancy Dixon, Manager

(Note: Nancy is being very modest, but she is the hardest working of all and not just on Sale Days, but always.)

"I have a theory that people who are addicted to reading are trying to re-create the joy of being read to as a child by a parent or a sibling. Being read to as a child is one of the great experiences in life."

.....Billy Collins, Poet

HAPPY SAFE AND SANE 4TH OF JULY



Red is for Victory
White is for Purity
Blue is for Loyalty

U S A

“May the sun in his course, visit no land more free, more happy, more lovely, than this our own country.”Daniel Webster

“You have to love a nation that celebrates its independence every 4th of July not with a parade of guns, tanks and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy and the flies die of happiness. You may think you have over-eaten, but it is called patriotism.”...Erma Bombeck

Hope many of you enjoyed Murrieta’s 23rd Annual Birthday Bash celebration on June 28th and 29th



is here—ENJOY!!!

Your Hospitality Committee: Lela, Pat, Eleanor and Coletha send *Happy Summer Solstice* greetings along with our appreciation to all Friends members. See you at the Refreshment Table in the Fall!

Check out summer activities at the Town Square Park behind the Library.

FRIENDS OF THE MURRIETA LIBRARY WEBSITE:

If you are not already taking advantage of checking out our [website](http://www.murrietalibraryfriends.org), you are missing out on a wealth of information easily accessible by going to:

www.murrietalibraryfriends.org.

Once there you click on whatever you want more information on—programs, memberships, history of the Friends, past [Booknotes](#), and more. Then just click on the month you want to see; be it programs or past newsletters and it all comes up. We have an unusually talented Web Master who keeps abreast of all that is happening with the Friends for your ready reference.

Note of Interest: At our May meeting, Carl Love, a columnist for the Press-Enterprise, read some excerpts from his book “From Two Lanes to the Fast Lane.” His book is a collection of past columns he has written for the paper and his talk was very entertaining as well as a trip down Memory Lane. One of the chapters in his book talks about one of our Lifetime members, Marvin Zepede, and his part in bringing the very successful **Father’s Day Car Show** to Murrieta. This year Marvin won a trophy for one of the best cars out of 500 entries. Marvin and Ruth were also very involved and very instrumental in the efforts to acquire **Cityhood for Murrieta**. We have a lot of “activists” in our midst.

“Maybe I should do less Facebook and do more “face in a book.”..... Cesar Dingle

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MURRIETA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

...from Elise Malkowski, Library Manager



Dear Friends,

As in past years, the Summer groups of our community kicked off June 16th. It is with host these wonderful programs and supplies makes our the staff and me: a huge do. We are also pleased to acknowledge and thank Dr. Laurie Blanscet, who donated \$1,200 for this year's "Read for a Reason...Read for the Homeless Animals of the Valleys" component of the Teen Program. A generous added incentive for our teen community to "paws" to read and help our animal community!



Reading Program has been extremely popular with all age "Paws to Read!" is this year's theme and it officially the continued support of the Friends that the Library can grams and events. Your donation of \$10,000 for perform-summer reading programs a great success! On behalf of "Thank you!" for all that you have done and continue to

In other news, the Library received an additional \$2,000 in LSTA funds from the State Library in April. The money is made available for California's public libraries to purchase popular fiction print material. LSTA Grants are provided by the California State Library to assist libraries and library-related agencies with developing programs and projects that enhance library service for all Californians. In February it was announced that we would receive \$5,000 in LSTA funds to be used to support the Common Core curriculum by strengthening our fiction and non-fiction collections for students, educators and parents.

San Bernardino County Library (SBCL) moved to its own catalog effective July 1, 2014. Therefore, SBCL patrons will no longer be able to place holds on books that belong to non-San Bernardino County libraries. Also, patrons from other libraries will not be able to place holds on books that belong to the SBCL. If you find that you cannot place a hold on an item, please see one of the library staff members who will be happy to discuss other ways of getting the item. SBCL cards are no longer accepted at the Murrieta Public Library or Riverside County Libraries. Patrons who have a San Bernardino County library card will need to get a Murrieta Public Library card or Riverside County Library Card.

Last year on June 18th, the Murrieta City Council approved the Library's Operating Budget for fiscal years 2013-14 and 2014-15. The Library budget for fiscal year 2014-15 totals \$2,033,541. The budget remains status quo with the exception of an additional \$20,000 for collection development in the second fiscal year. The Library funding is almost entirely dependent on property tax which comprises ninety percent of the revenue received. The Library Fund receives about one and one half cents of every dollar paid in ad valorem property tax. This equates to about \$37 per year for a home valued at \$250,000. To balance the 2014-15 budget, the Library will use \$303,955 of the Library's economic contingency funds.

You will be seeing new faces at the Library! We welcomed new Youth Services Library Assistant, Kristen Short, on May 19th. Mrs. Short has six years of experience working in this capacity. Theresa Gonzalez and Stacey Osorio will be our two, new Pages. To create more flexibility with the Page scheduling, the position was divided into two 10- hour positions. We look forward to having all three of them as members of the Murrieta Library Staff!

Once again, many thanks to the Friends for your continued, tireless efforts of fundraising and volunteering help!!

Sign up a friend—Print, cut off and mail form below--  --- or drop off at the Library or either Bookstore.

NEW MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL FORM

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Lifetime members are honored with an engraved leaf on the "GIVING TREE" in the Library.



IRENE ZELON—Belated condolences to Irene’s family. A *special lady*—warm, friendly, bright, a faithful attendee at our meetings, a bookstore volunteer and a dependable member of the telephone committee. Milt, joined the **Friends** in April, 1998 as a charter member.

Irene joined soon after. As a team they volunteered at the original bookstore when it opened in 1999. Milt served as a Director on the Friends board in 2002. He added much to the decision and policy making of our organization. They were both always willing to help, no matter what the task. She and Milt were pioneers of our Book Reading Group which started in May, 2001.

After Milt passed away, Irene began driving herself to the newly moved Corner bookstore even though she wasn’t comfortable behind the wheel. She had always depended on Milt to do all the driving, but she wasn’t going to let that stop her from being at the bookstore she loved. During the next few years she had some mishaps; a broken ankle, then knee surgery, but she *kept on coming* back to work at the bookstore. An automobile accident convinced her she could no longer drive so she used the Dial-A-Ride in order to *keep on coming*. Even after moving to a senior living facility she still wanted to *keep on coming* but the shuttle bus wouldn’t bring her that far. She was heartbroken, but continued her task of telephoning members to notify them about meetings and other events.

Needless to say, Irene was such an inspiration—and always with a great smile. You may have been last alphabetically, Irene, but your memory will always be first in our hearts. Yes, Irene, you enriched our lives with your presence.

(A composite of comments by just some of her close Friends.)

“Most people are about as happy as they make up their minds to be.”

.....Abraham Lincoln

MEMBERSHIP



.....Sandra Lucas, Chairman

to new members:

Sue Carol Hanes
Amparo Walker

Our President and his wife, Gary and Anne Grim, have updated their membership to **LIFETIME**.



That is always cause for a celebration.

Again, want to thank all the members for their timely renewals. And to encourage you to invite family and friends to join the **Friends** and take advantage of all we have to offer: meeting people with common interests, hearing the various speakers at our general meetings, volunteering opportunities and helping to support our wonderful Library. See Membership Form on Page 4.

LIBRARY HOURS

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Friday & Saturday	12 pm—5 pm
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Dorothy Renon (In Memoriam)**

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.



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OUR Represents.....



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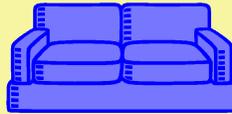
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