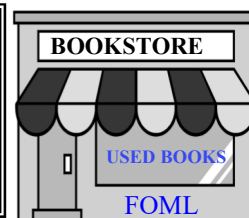




BOOKNOTES



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MURRIETA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Dear Friends,

It's July and the Summer Reading Challenge is in full swing. Once again, the Summer Reading Challenge is online with Beanstack. For all ages! Patrons can sign up on their computer or by using the Beanstack app. Read 5 library books to complete the program; once completed log in your books through Beanstack. You will then be directed to schedule a time to select your free book in the Library's Community Room as shown in the picture below.

We are continuing our virtual programs for all ages which include take-home craft kits. They are very popular and have been a great alternative to in-person programming. A big thank you to the Library staff for creating the kits!

We have a new Supervising Librarian for Youth Services. Her name is Kesla and she came to us from San Diego County Library. She has several years of experience working in youth services and is very enthusiastic about serving the community.

I'm happy to report that we have added seating back throughout the Library, study rooms are now open and more computers are available. We are no longer taking temperatures and the public does not need to wear a mask if they are fully vaccinated. Programs remain virtual until fall.

This is my last newsletter article as I will be retiring in June after 32 years of public library service. I can't thank the Friends enough for the support they have given the Library during the 16 years I've been with Murrieta Public Library. I know you will continue to do great things!

Have a fun and safe summer. We hope to see you soon!

Elise Malkowski, Deputy Director of Library Service

This is the Book Fair in the Community Room that is new this year. The popular Summer Reading Challenge is made possible by the Friends' annual donation.



HOSPITALITY

WELCOME BACK all Friends of the Murrieta Library. I am Polly Filanc, your Hospitality Chairman. I would like to invite you all to begin to bring your favorite foods or something you like otherwise to our first in person FOML meeting on 9/21/21 to celebrate our return to normal. I am looking forward to seeing us back together again. Please call me at 951-696-7648 to let me know what you would like to bring.

Polly Filanc

THE NEW COLOSSUS

NOT LIKE THE BRAZEN GIANT OF GREEK FAME,
WITH CONQUERING LIMBS ASTRIDE FROM LAND TO LAND;
HERE AT OUR SEA-WASHED, SUNSET GATES SHALL STAND
A MIGHTY WOMAN WITH A TORCH, WHOSE FLAME
IS THE IMPRISONED LIGHTNING, AND HER NAME
MOTHER OF EXILES. FROM HER BEACON-HAND
GLOWS WORLD-WIDE WELCOME; HER MILD EYES COMMAND
THE AIR-BRIDGED HARBOR THAT TWIN CITIES FRAME.

"KEEP, ANCIENT LANDS, YOUR STORIED POMP!" CRIES SHE
WITH SILENT LIPS.

"GIVE ME YOUR TIRED, YOUR POOR,
YOUR HUDDLED MASSES YEARNING TO BREATHE FREE,
THE WRETCHED REFUSE OF YOUR TEEMING SHORE.
SEND THESE, THE HOMELESS, TEMPEST-TOST TO ME,
I LIFT MY LAMP BESIDE THE GOLDEN DOOR!"

Emma Lazarus 1883



This so-familiar poem at the Statue of Liberty was written by Emma Lazarus (1849-1887). Born and raised in New York City, Emma was the only child in a well-to-do Jewish family. Her father saw to it that she was well-educated – not common for women at that time – and she became a rather well-known and published poet, encouraged by Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Meanwhile, in the 1870's in Paris, artist and sculptor August Bertholdi envisioned and designed what would become known as the Statue of Liberty. The French agreed to raise all the funds for the mammoth statue, but the Americans were to fund the pedestal upon which it would be mounted. As the time neared for its shipment to America, fundraising efforts were waning, so newspaper publisher Joseph Pulitzer started campaigning in his paper. One of the results was an auction of works by artists and authors. On November 2, 1883, Emma Lazarus wrote "The New Colossus" for the auction, inspired by her work with the Jewish refugees escaping the *pogroms* in Russia.

On October 28, 1886, the statue was dedicated on the completed pedestal. Emma was not there, nor her poem. Emma died the following year of cancer. The winner at the auction of her poem took it home, and no one knew about it until Georgia Schuyler found it in a *used bookstore* in 1903. She immediately thought it was so perfect for the Statue of Liberty that she had it engraved on a plaque, and it was installed on the second floor. By the end of World War II, it had been quoted in school text books across the country and they realized what a national treasure the poem had become, so they moved the plaque to its current more prominent place in the lower level.



BOOK REVIEW

By Sharon Hunter

The Last Bookshop in London By Madeline Martin

The Last Bookshop in London is a story of love, friendship and endurance as London experiences the blitz during World War II. Grace and Viv go to London seeking the fun and excitement living in the big city only to discover London is preparing for war. Grace finds a position in a book store and slowly modifies it with the owners gruff permission. She had never been a reader, but she began to read books recommended to her and fell in love with reading. Working in the shop, she began to recommend books to patrons. In reading, people found escape from the horrors of the war. Grace began reading aloud to the people who sheltered against the bombs falling around them. This helped calm them, and she began to have daily afternoon readings at the bookshop when she was able.

To quote the author Jillian Cantor, "the novel is a poignant and emotional love letter to books and bookshops themselves and ultimately a testament to the power of stories to sustain us even in our darkest hours". For readers who appreciate reading, the novel is a great read for book group discussion. It is really a joy to share one's love of reading.

**A BOOK IS A FRIEND
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The Friends of the Murrieta Library's website is full of information regarding programs, location of our two remarkably organized and complete Bookstores, current and past copies of our newsletter **Booknotz**, volunteer opportunities, membership forms, Officers and Directors. Use this link for more information:

www.murrietalibraryfriends.org

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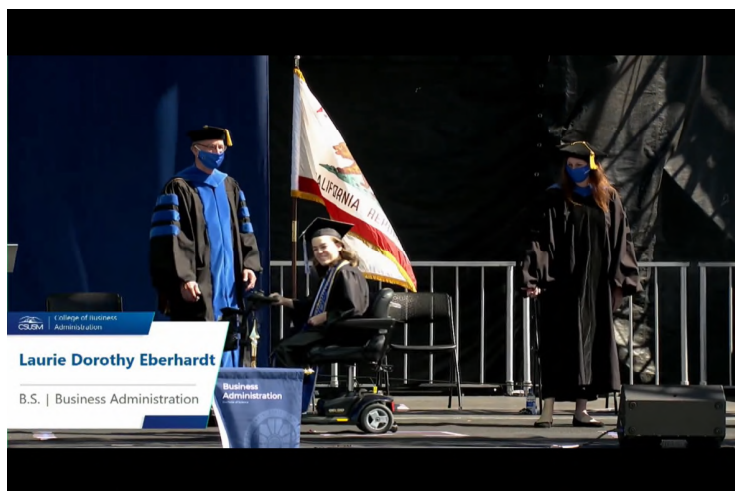
We Are So Proud!

Congratulations to two of our volunteers at the Corner Bookstore who recently graduated!

Laurie Eberhardt received a Bachelor's degree from Cal State San Marcos. She has volunteered weekly throughout her college years and has been a great help in the cleaning and pricing of hardback fiction. It's a family affair. Dad Greg helps on our Sidewalk Sales, and mom Nancy also pitches in when she can.

Hannah Devicariis graduated from Vista Murrieta. She started volunteering as a Freshman, and was always to be relied upon until this past pandemic year. She volunteered so many hours over those three years, she was asked to take a picture in front of the Corner Bookstore to be included in the yearbook.

We at the Corner Store have been blest by their work and the happiness they have added over the years. Our unending thanks!



Laurie receiving her diploma from San Marcos and Hannah posing in front of the Corner Bookstore after her graduation from Vista Murrieta.



AT THE CORNER

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Rita Nastri, President

Life has changed frequently and rapidly over the past year, and it's nice to be able to put many of the uncertainties behind us looking at a more stable future. We have had some interesting and wonderful presentations at our zoom meetings, and I thank those of you who joined us for taking the time and making the effort.

A big thank you goes to our Board members who have been so great to work with even at a zooming distance. They have been resilient, creative and on a great learning curve with zoom. Again, a big thank you goes to the volunteers at the bookstores and those returning to the library. I'm so glad that we are ending this 20-21 year in a better position.

By now many of you know that Elise Malkowski, our Deputy Director of Library Services is retiring this month. Elise has done a wonderful job of maintaining and upgrading the Murrieta Library with great programs during her tenure here. As the leader of an innovative team of librarians, she has taken our library to a new level. We have so enjoyed working with Elise and wish her a wonderful new life with her family.

I write this on the first day of summer with visions of fun and travel once more on our horizons. As we have done in the past, the Friends will not be meeting during July and August. Summertime is a time to relax and refresh, enjoying family and friends. It is also a time to re-examine our commitment to how we will be spending our time and energy when the cooler days of autumn return. I hope it will be with the Friends. Please stay well and have a safe and wonderful summer.

Currently we are planning to return to the Community Room of the Library for our first meeting of the new season September 21st. We will have our usual eblast from our webmaster to keep you posted if there are any changes. It will be exciting to see each other in person again. Save the date. I hope you will be able to join us then.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE SPRING AND SUMMER 2021

"Wherever I go, bookstores are still the closest thing to a town square."Gloria Steinem

Thank you to all our members, Lifetime and annual, for supporting the Friends of the Murrieta Library. Thanks to everyone who has newly joined or renewed in May and June.

LifeTime Members: Gloria Bockrath, Foye Lowe

New Members: Christi White, Christian D. Hernandez, Mark Bahlmann, Harvey Bunting, Maryan Comeaux, Marty Corn

Renewing Members: Lynn Comiez, Bernadette Kauffman, Sandra Felker, Julie Francis, Karen Michaud, Roberta Wrye, Emma Agajanian, Gene and Charlene Adams, Jacqueline Reed, Anna Van Every, Ann Hickey, Maggie Pilotte, Sheri Richter, Jerilyn McLees, Joann Snodgrass, LynnMarie Hornecker, Lois Mayhew, Mari Werner, Anna Mae Ackerman, Alema Cathcart, Dalene Coleman, Nancy Tosch, Sandi and Bill Quintero, Lawrence Wan, Sandra Havens, Mary Schiavi, Shelby Price, Kathy Cagle, Marsha Burkhalter, Alexandra Thorwarth.

The renewal process is on-going through the months of June and July. If you have not renewed, please go to our website, or visit either bookstore, to renew your membership. New and renewal memberships coming in after the newsletter goes to press will be acknowledged in the next issue.

Gratefully,
Karen Michaud, Membership Chair

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

NEW MEMBERSHIP / RENEWAL FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, ZIP CODE _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL _____

Specify any special interests, i.e., Board Member, Bookstore volunteer, Programs, Membership, Hospitality, Ways & Means, Special Events, etc.

Date: _____

Friends of the Murrieta Library, P.O. Box 235, Murrieta 92564

MEMBERSHIP DUES

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



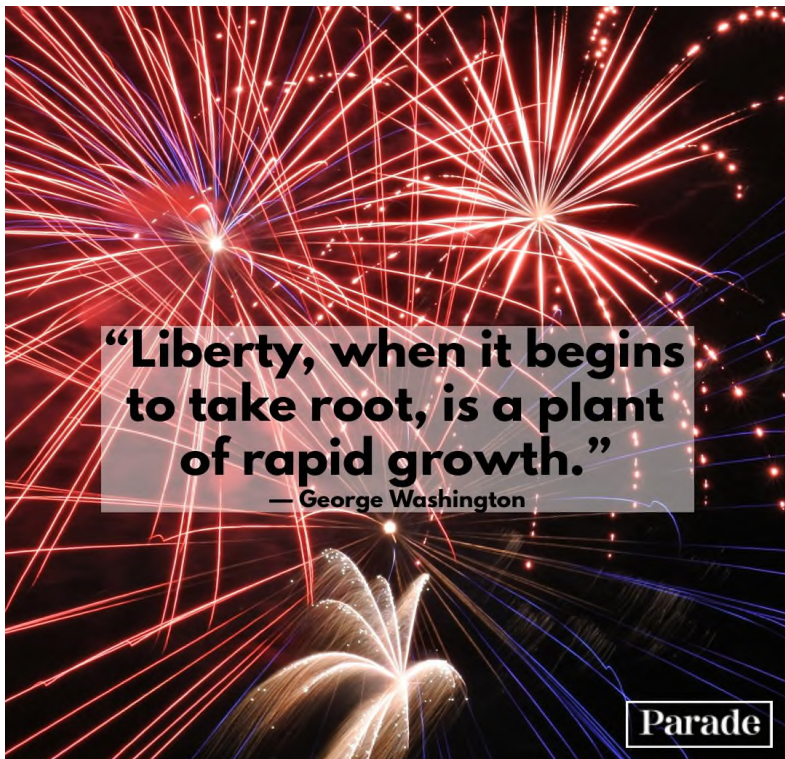
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July
parades

MURRIETA'S BIRTHDAY BASH

This event takes several months planning and with the uncertainty of the pandemic, the city has put off celebrating until the fall, probably early September. To celebrate the **City's 30th Incorporation Date**, they will be launching a fireworks display on Thursday, the 1st of July at around 9 PM. The best viewing will be from Los Alamos Sports Park.

"Ask not what your country can do for you;
ask what you can do for your country."
.....John F. Kennedy

A good reminder as we celebrate another Fourth of July and honor our flag and our country. Ed.



The tradition of setting off fireworks on the 4th of July began in Philadelphia July 4, 1776, during the first organized celebration of Independence Day. Ship's cannons fired a 13-gun salute in honor of the 13 colonies. The Pennsylvania Evening Post reported: "at night there was a grand exhibition of fireworks (which began and concluded with thirteen rockets), on the Commons and the city was beautifully illuminated." That same night, the Sons of Liberty set off fireworks over Boston Commons.

BREAKING NEWS.....

Murrieta celebrated the Grand Opening of the brand new Town Square Park Amphitheater on June 19th at 5:30 PM with a Cruise & Tunes Father's Day event. There was a car cruise, followed by a performance by Surf City Legends (a Tribute to the Beach Boys). It is the 50th anniversary of the city's celebration of Father's Day.

The City Council has authorized demolition of the 135 year old, historic house next to Ray's Café. They have deemed it too much in disrepair to try and restore. It is very sad to lose any historic buildings, but they hope to salvage some architectural features. A new restaurant is planned in this building.

MURRIETA HISTORY

August 1926 Ralph and Effie Bates built a restaurant and service station at the northwest corner of Ivy Street and Jefferson Avenue that opened on Labor Day of that year. The restaurant quickly became a favorite hangout for local teens. Its fame spread as the years went on and it served some well known guests as well as making changes and renovations over these years. The Shell Oil Company highlighted their restaurant in its monthly publication in March 1934. Since then it has had various owners of different restaurants, bars and businesses; the most recent was a charming little Cottage selling antiques.

..... Murrieta Valley Historical Society

. We are very grateful for the Murrieta Valley Historical Society's mission to identify, preserve and promote the historic legacy of the Murrieta Valley and to educate the public about its historical significance.

The Murrieta Museum is located at 41810 Juniper St. at Hunt Memorial Park. Current hours are Thursday from 1 to 4 PM. **Beginning in July** the museum will be open the first Saturday of every month from 11 AM to 2 PM. The museum offers group tours and private tours by appointment. Call 951-397-4862 to make an appointment and for any other information. They also welcome new members.

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 NEWS

The City has scheduled some family events during the summer months of July and August to be held in the new Town Square Amphitheater in Town Square Park.

CONCERTS

July 10—John Demps Full Effect Band

July 17—Kylie Trout Band

MOVIES

August 7—Sonic the Hedgehog

August 14—Field of Dreams

Spots are First Come, First Served. So make sure to arrive early and get a good spot.

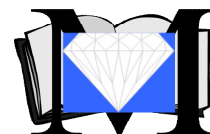
CITY OF MURRIETA HONORS

The prominently displayed banners in Historic Downtown Murrieta is the city of Murrieta's way of honoring the men and women who are currently serving in the United States Armed Forces. The banner measures approximately 2' x 5' listing the honoree's name and branch of service as well as including a photo (if desired).

There is no cost for the banner or installation, but the program is funded through tax-deductible donations. To be eligible, the honoree must be a current resident of Murrieta and an active-duty member of the United States Armed Forces. The banners are installed twice a year (Memorial Day and Veterans Day) and will remain up for a period of one year. Once the banner is retired it is given to the honoree or family member at a City Council meeting. Banners will be installed along California Oaks, Murrieta Hot Springs, Kalmia Street as well as Washington Avenue. Murrieta is proud to pay tribute to the courage, commitment and heroism to the patriots who make exceptional sacrifices for our freedom. We thank them for their service to our nation!

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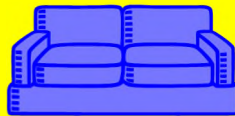
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