



BOOKNOTES



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to all of the Friends and the Murrieta Public Library Foundation for their successful collaboration on the October 2, 2011 Jazz at the Garden fundraising event, which netted \$10,000 for the Library's programs and collections! And a huge thank you to all of the generous donors and ticket purchasers for their support of Library services through this event.

About ninety people enjoyed a gorgeous evening in the Library's Garden of Verses and a concert by jazz duo Hart and Soul. Vocalist Jennifer Hart and pianist Llew Matthews had everyone's toes tapping! The concert was followed by a reception with wine and fabulous hors d'oeuvres and desserts prepared by Friends and Foundation members. There were opportunity drawings for six beautiful baskets donated by local restaurants and other businesses, and Friends' members. Additional pictures of this event are on the Friends' website.

We hope the next time you visit these local businesses or organizations, or see these individual donors, you will thank them for their support of the Murrieta Public Library through their contributions to Jazz at the Garden: Temecula Valley Women's Club, Anthony's Lounge & Ristorante, Cordelia Snow, Bear Creek Golf Club, McDonald's—Los Alamos Road, Murrieta, Commerce Bank, North County Sand & Gravel, Carol Carson, Bear Creek Car Wash, J. Carter's Tavern & Grill, D'Canter's Wine Bar & Grill, Roberta Fokken, Home Depot, Maggie Pilotte, Rustico Ristorante & Pizzeria, and Sizzler Murrieta. A complete list of donors is available on the Friends' website.

Many thanks to the Committee, chaired by Foundation President Juanita Blankenship and myself, which worked so hard to make the event such a smashing success: Pat Farmer, Roberta Fokken, Tracy LaPaglia, Lela Llorens, Sandra Lucas, Loretta McKinney, Maggie Pilotte, Mati Robinson, Julia Steedman. Many other Friends and Foundation members and Library staff also helped in a variety of ways and we are grateful to all of them.

This was the first time that The Friends of the Murrieta Library and The Murrieta Public Library Foundation have worked together on a project to support the Library's services to our community, and all can be proud of a job well done!

Judy Call

"JAZZ AT THE GARDEN BENEFIT"



The guests enjoying the Garden of Verses



Pianist-arranger-composer, Llew Matthews
Hart and Soul's Jennifer Hart, vocalist



**HOLIDAY PARADE—DEC. 3RD—5 P-M. IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN
COME AND SEE YOUR FLOAT**

Sidewalk Synergy

“Nine hundred seven dollars????!!” Once our disbelief turned to awe and jubilation, we were jumping up and down, cheering, and hugging one another. This was our **best** Overstock Sidewalk Sale *ever*, an increase of 150% over the previous record from our six overstock sales. It never would have happened, though, without the dedication and very hard work of so many: (alphabetically) Emily and Laura Ferrell, Mike Filamor, Aimeé Fitch, Gerry Gauthier, Ann Hickey, Lela Llorens, Nitsa Oudijk, Bea Schugg, and Brian & Constance Youens. Each and every one deserves kudos and thanks, but I especially want to mention a few who went the extra mile. As one of our teen volunteers, Emily Ferrell has been a standout since day one. For the Overstock Sale, however, she was a shining star. She worked diligently Friday afternoon – and evening – to get things ready for the morning set-up. When her mother, Laura, came to pick her up, she too joined the workforce. Then *both* of them came Saturday morning – and stayed all day, eleven hours in total! Emily manned the money table, and Laura kept up the restocking of the quickly emptying boxes.

In addition, Lela Llorens had the idea to have a membership table (which we’ve had at other outside events, but not at a sidewalk sale). She set up a lovely table, displaying both membership and Field of Honor information. As if that weren’t enough, she provided free apple cider! Meanwhile, she had seen to it that the sale flier was displayed at the concurrent Membership table at the Library, and had also posted it at the Senior Center. A large contingent of her friends at the Senior Center came – and bought!

Murrieta’s motto used to be “Where it all comes together.” It most certainly did on October 22nd at our very own **Corner Bookstore**. My heartfelt thanks to everyone, and congratulations on a job well done indeed!

And yes, ***we will continue*** to have the sale every four months: the next one will be in January.

Nancy Dixon
Grateful and proud Manager

This is just one of the many customers taking advantage of the great bargains and selections available.



HOLIDAY PARADE

The holiday season is right around the corner and what would be a better way to get involved with your community than to “Celebrate the Season” by attending the City of Murrieta’s **Holiday Magic Push Cart Parade**. The parade will take place on Saturday, December 3rd at 5 P.M. It will start at Kalmia and Washington Streets and will go through Historic Downtown Murrieta. This unique parade uses only non motorized vehicles. Our group is spending a lot of time creating an exciting float that represents the theme of our Library and reading. We hope you plan to attend and bring your family and friends. This is a great way to usher in the Holidays. See you there!!

FIELD OF HONOR

Thanks to all who participated in the Field of Honor, purchasing flags to be displayed November 6 through 12. This is an impressive event honoring all service personnel and first time responders. The flags are a particularly outstanding reminder to us of all their sacrifices in the line of duty. Each flag purchased with the form that had the Friends of the Library’s name on it, earned us \$10.00. We do not have a tally at this printing on how much we received, but will include in our next issue.



REMINDER: Please pick up your flags on Sunday, November 13th—otherwise they will be recycled.



**ANNUAL HOLIDAY CHRISTMAS PARTY—CARSONS 6C’S RANCH
DECEMBER 13TH—11:00 AM
SIGN UP AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING OR CALL LELORENS TO BRING YOUR SPECIAL DISH**



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ANNUAL HEADSTART BOOK DONATION



Yes, once again the Friends are collecting donations for this very worthwhile cause. We have supported this program for many years now and have found it to be a wonderful “gift” for these low income youngsters who are just learning to read and who may not have the means to buy new books for themselves.

As Outreach Chairman, and the head of the HeadStart program we have found a source to purchase books at a very reasonable price. With the help of Allison Eagans, our Children’s Librarian, we have selected a special book, “The Library Lion” which is a delightful story and perfect for this age group. The 81 children in the various classes will be allowed to take this book home and keep it. We are also purchasing 5 each of “And Here’s To You” by David Elliott and “Up, Down and Around” by Katherine Ayers. These books will be left in the classroom for these children to enjoy and for future classes..

On December 14th, our ten wonderful readers, and any volunteers, who would like to help read to the children will then hand over the books to each classroom. Each classroom has a “lending library” and students check out books the same as they would in our Library.

Please make your check payable to FOML and mail to our P.O. Box 235, Murrieta 92564 or drop off either cash or check at one of our Bookstores. A suggested donation is \$5.00, but please give what you can afford. Thank you very much!!

Luanne Ferrer – 951-698-1035

The Friends of the Murrieta Library Nominating Committee is seeking candidates for three available positions on the 2012 Board of Directors.

Qualifications:

- Current member in good standing
- Interested in supporting the Murrieta Public Library and its many programs for our community
- Desire to learn more about leadership in **FOML**
- Available for approximately 10 board meetings a year
- Able to attend the majority of General Meetings held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

Please consider this opportunity to become involved with the Friends and your Library for a 2 year term. **Contact:**

Pat Farmer — patfarmer@verizon.net or 951-677-3653

Lorrie Thomas — lodew@verizon.net or 951-696-5911

LaVerna Fuller — imafuller2@gmail.net or 951-696-9322

if you have any questions. Please email or mail one us a short resume as soon as possible. Thank you!!

MURRIETA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Dear Friends ~

As usual, there are many fun and exciting events and changes happening at the Library! Some of these include the local artist exhibit and the improvements to the Garden of Verses.

As the Library exists to provide cultural experiences for the community, the Murrieta Library has always intended on displaying a rotating collection of art created by local artists on the Library walls. Recently, Ms. Lyndee Berg offered her assistance as a volunteer, to help the City display local artwork in the City’s facilities and was directed to the Library. Ms. Berg created the Local Art in Public Places (LAPP) committee which is made up of local artists and community members.

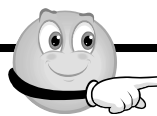
The LAPP now has written policies and procedures that clearly define the parameters of the expectations of the art, the future themes and dates of each rotation. Ms. Berg will hold an “Artist’s Reception” every time the art changes, which will be a small gathering where the community can meet the artist and review the art. There is a potential that some art can be sold with all sales being conducted directly between the artist and the buyer. The first exhibit will be hung on October 31 with the “Artist’s Reception” occurring on Saturday, November 5 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Library’s east end lobby. If you are interested in submitting your artwork for the committee’s consideration, please contact Ms. Berg at LAPP.ORG@gmail.com.

The Garden of Verses is getting a facelift! The Library has a special donor ~ whose name shall be revealed soon ~ who is donating the funds to replace the decomposed granite that was originally in the Garden with concrete. More information will be shared in the next **BookNotes!** Stay tuned!

Last, but never least ~ On behalf of all the Library staff, thank you to all the Library Volunteers who perform a variety of tasks that are significant to the Library’s daily operations, resulting in high quality services, programs and resources for the Murrieta community! A formal Proclamation for the Volunteers will be presented at the City Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 15, 2011, at 6 p.m. At that time, a banner with all of the volunteer’s names who donated time during the 2011 calendar year will be up by the east (Park) doors of the Library in your recognition! Be sure to stop by and take a look at the banner! Thank you to each one of you who give so much to the Library!

Happy Holidays!!

Loretta McKinney



WE NEED YOU!! We are starting work on our **Holiday Float** and we need ideas, willing workers and lots of enthusiasm. This is a fun opportunity to work together, get those creative juices flowing and make our float once again an outstanding entry in the **Holiday Lights Parade**.
Please call Gayle Overby—951-894-1862 for details.

RENEWAL REMINDER



Watch for your Expiration Date to be highlighted on your newsletter. This lets you know your Membership dues are due! Also, please advise of any change in address, phone or email. This will help us keep our mailing list current. Thanks!!

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