

FRIENDS OF THE MURRIETA LIBRARY

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Friends of the Murrieta Library - General Meeting Tuesday, January 21, 2014 10 a.m.

Luanne Ferrer President

Board Members in attendance: Luanne Ferrer-President, Aimée Fitch - Secretary, Carol Carson -Treasurer, Lela Llorens - Director, Nati Martinez - Director

Lorrie Thomas

Vice President Also in attendance: Advisors Maggie Pilotte – Town Square Bookstore Manager, Joyce Lea Brown - Teen Services Librarian for the Library; Pat Farmer – Elections/Parliamentarian; Sandra Lucas – Membership Chairperson

Aimée Fitch Secretary

Following the Agenda:

Carol Carson Treasurer

1. President Luanne Ferrer called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. in the Murrieta Library Community Room.

Directors: Lela Llorens Rita Nastri

2. President Luanne Ferrer asked if there were any guests: there were none.

3. President's Message – Luanne Ferrer

- a) We acquired several new members; some Lifetime members and faithful renewal memberships. If you have received a renewal notice and haven't sent in your check, please do because, as you may remember, I had a goal of 300 members in 2013!
 - b) Our California Coastal Cruise in May made some money, which we will use for the Library, plus we welcomed ten cruisers who did not previously belong to the Friends.
 - c) The HeadStart program has functioned well. We have added new readers and substitutes, and the Friend's members not only paid for the new Holiday gift books for the classrooms, but had extra funds that enabled us to give Gift Certificates from our Bookstores so the teachers may purchase books for their classroom libraries.
 - d) Our Friends' float in the City's Holiday Parade was superb this year. Following the theme of the City, our float was called Trees of Knowledge, and we had five trees on the float; the main tree covered with books from our Bookstores; others decorated by the Library; Judy Call, Lela Llorens, Carol Carson and Ruth Zepede, If you attended the annual Christmas party at Carol Carson's you saw the float in all its' glory! Carol and Ed Van Dorn pulled it all together, painted, tied everything down, lighted it all up and made it happen. Thanks to all for your participation.
 - e) The Library recently honored all their volunteers and both Nancy Dixon and Maggie Pilotte compiled the hours each volunteer donates to the bookstores! An incredible total—the Board thanks all of you for your time and effort to make these stores so successful, especially these two managers and the Internet people, whose efforts make such a difference—Art and Laurie Razo (also co-manager-Town Square) and Brian Youens
 - f) We have three positions available on the board and three candidates: Gary Grim, Allyson Quinlan and Luanne Ferrer. Results of the election and new officers are listed on the last page of these minutes as the new Board meets during the break to determine positions.
 - g) Our present Secretary, Aimée Fitch, who has held this position since 2010, has resigned. We are looking for a new Secretary who does not need to be a Board Member.
- 4. The November, 2013 minutes were approved as corrected. (Secretary's note: These have been posted on our website at http://www.murrietalibraryfriends.org/minutes.html)

Nati Martinez

Next Meeting 10 A. M. Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2014 Library Community Room.

February's meeting welcomes Author Michael Meyer as **Guest Speaker.**

Friends updates can be seen on the Library Friends page @ http://murrietalibr aryfriends.org

Check it out!

PLEASE Add us to your **Email "Contacts** List": **fomurrietalibrary** @gmail.com

That way you won't miss any FOML news!



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5. Treasurer's Report – Carol Carson

(Hard copy of December's financial recap report is attached to Secretary's minutes as usual.)

- 6. Library Update Joyce Lea Brown Teen Services Librarian:
 - a) Thanked everyone who worked on the Holiday Float and those who cheered as it went by
 - b) The Library will doing their "Food For Fines" program again in February; this year each can brought in will count for 50¢ of the fine waived up to \$10
 - c) The Library hired 3 to fill Kathy Reiter's position
 - d) The Library will be closed on Feb. 17th for President's Day and March 8th for the Tour de Murrieta Bike Race.
 - e) The Children's upcoming Legos Club is in need of Legos! If you have any to donate, please take them to the Children's Desk. The club will meet once a month through April then maybe pick up again in the Fall.
 - f) 39 teens come out for the PSAT Practice Test they offered! Results will be given out at a workshop on January 28th.
 - g) Storytime has resumed after the holiday break.
 - h) There was an interesting program on January 16th about drought resistant CA native plants and how to create a garden using these plants.
 - i) On February 24th, the Adult Program will be on Genealogy. Michelle Norris has been invited back by popular demand.
 - j) March's Adult Program is Geri-Fit for Seniors which is exercises and strength training for older folks.
 - k) Starting in March on the first Tuesday of every month, there will be a Book Club. Get a flyer at the Reference Desk for details!
 - 1) Our Teen Program for February is on the 8th and they will be making chocolate creations.
 - m) March 1st for teens will be a seminar "Want That Job?" which will offer teens and adults interviewing tips.
 - n) Also in March for teens, another First Aid/CPR Babysitting seminar
- 7. Programs Maggie Pilotte
 - a. She and Judy are working hard to get program speakers for the coming year. So far they have lined up: Feb. Local Author Michael Meyer

March - Local Author Maxine Holmgren

April – Local Author Virginia Murphy

May – Pianist YiYi Ku

June – Local Author and Teacher Carl Love

Program posters for 2014 can be viewed on the FOML website as soon as the schedule is set and the posters are made. Keep checking on: http://www.murrietalibraryfriends.org/programs.html



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- 8. Publicity-Rita Nastri No report as Rita was absent
- 9. Elections Pat Farmer
 - a) Luanne Ferrer is running for a second term; Gary Grim and Allyson Quinlan are running for their first term.
 - b) Carol Carson, Lela Llorens, Nati Martinez and Rita Nastri are remaining on the Board for the second year of their first terms.
 - c) Of all the members we have in the FOML, only 24 ballots were turned in.

Called for nominations from the floor. There being none, called for a proclamation by acclamation that the ballot be closed and all elected. Proclamation made and seconded.

- 10. Membership Sandra Lucas
 - a. Five new members
- 11. Corner Bookstore Nancy Dixon No report as Nancy was absent
- 12. Town Square Bookstore Maggie Pilotte

For 2013	Gross Sales	\$28,863
	Net	<u>27,051</u>
	Expenses for 2013	\$ 1,812

Internet Net 12,186 Sold 878 books! Total Combined \$39,237

- 13. Special Events Lela Llorens
 - a.) Thanked everyone who brought refreshments and to sign up for future meetings
 - b) Carol Van Dorn will be calling for volunteers for the Fireman's BBQ in April
 - c) The next Cornerstore Sidewalk Sale will be later in February
- 14. Meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.

During the short break, the new Board met for an organizational meeting and the following Officers were announced: President: Gary Grim; Vice President: Lela Llorens; Secretary: Luanne Ferrer; Treasurer: Carol Carson. Nati Martinez and Rita Nastri will remain Directors.

Respectfully submitted, Aimée K Fitch FOML Secretary