



Friends of the Library

a letter from the chair



Dear Friends - I am truly very proud and thankful to be associated with our library and our Friends of the Library. I am thankful for the dedication, hard work and good cheer that Tara O'Reilly and her entire staff demonstrate day in and day out in running our library. I am thankful for the 11 volunteer members of our Board of Directors, and that each of them constantly brings their individual skills and interests to bear in a remarkably cohesive group that is dedicated to doing everything we can to improve our wonderful library.

I am thankful, starting with our two tireless volunteer managers, April Ueoka and Susan Williams, for the many of you who freely volunteer your time and energy to the effective and successful running of our bookstore.

I am thankful to all of you, our members, who generously support our organization year after year.

I am thankful to the many generous people in our community who donate many, many books to our bookstore and to the host of happy readers in our town who buy those books, thereby helping to finance the operations at our library.

And, on an individual note, I am thankful for Nick Woolf, who took over the editing of this Newsletter for the last issue and has done a remarkable job once again with this issue.

I look forward to seeing you all at our annual meeting on Saturday, June 4.

Best Regards,
Foster Markolf

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You Are Cordially Invited to the

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FRIENDS OF THE CARPINTERIA LIBRARY

Saturday, June 4, 11:00am-2:00pm in the Library multipurpose room
Guest speaker: Journalist Barney Brantingham, a true friend of libraries

The meeting will end with a light lunch buffet

introducing Scott Love

Santa Barbara's new Library Services Manager



After many months of searching for the perfect candidate, the Santa Barbara Public Library System recently hired Scott Love as its new Library Services Manager. Love hails from San Diego, where he spent the last 25 years working in libraries. From humble beginnings as a page for San Diego Public Library, Love moved up the library ladder, ultimately working at 33 of the 34 libraries in the system. Most recently, he gained a wide range of library experience working for Chula Vista Public Library. Friends of the Carpinteria Library is pleased to introduce its members to Scott Love, who took the time to answer a few questions so that we can get to know him better.

As our new Library Services Manager, what are your duties and how does the Carpinteria Branch Library factor into your new role?

In addition to overseeing the five branch libraries in the Santa Barbara Public Library system, I will be managing Collection Development, the Library's budget, and helping to further develop public relations. I feel the most important role for me here is to be actively involved with each of the Branch Supervisors and Friends organizations. We are going through a very challenging time right now, and I feel it is important for us to look at the way we are providing our service to the community and try and develop new models for providing a more efficient operation. In doing this, we can hopefully increase service to the community while not increasing operational costs.

You have had the opportunity to visit our library. What were your first impressions?

I had visited the library in the past, and I love the architecture of the building. The inside of the building is constraining the service the staff can offer, though staff have done an excellent job working within the constraints. It would be very exciting if the Friends of the Library, the City of Carpinteria, and the community could gather resources to expand the library in a way that could honor the original architecture, and at the same time expand on what the library can offer the community, all within a similar operational cost.

What future challenges have you identified for the Carpinteria Branch Library?

The obvious challenge faced now is identical throughout the State; it is being able to provide sufficient operating hours for each library.

Friends of the Library Board of Directors

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Art On The Walls

Works by Gary Campopiano will be displayed in the bookstore in mid-May. Other local artists will follow.

Children's summer events sponsored by the Friends of the Library

Thursday, June 16 at 10:30AM

Bubblemania: The science and fun of bubbles!

Tuesday, June 21 at 2:30PM

Randel McGee & His Dragon Groark: Fast-paced blend of comedy, witty banter, original songs, and hilarious storytelling that appeals to young and old alike.

Tuesday, July 28 at 2:30PM

Swazzle presents DreamCarver: A bilingual, musical puppet show inspired by the life of Manuel Jiménez who pioneered the now-famous Oaxacan style of woodcarving.

Thursday, July 14 at 10:30AM

Sandi Sylver: Storyteller-Ventriloquist-Songstress: Twirl around the world with ventriloquist Sandi Sylver and "The Girls" in a fascinating, interactive performance.

Tuesday, July 19 at 2:30PM

Zoo to You: See and learn about exotic critters from energetic and enthusiastic instructors. For ages 3 and up.

Thursday, July 28 at 10:30AM

World Storytelling Safari! Enjoy lively audience participation tales from Near, Far, and Farther!

Library BOOKSTORE

BE A SUMMER SUNDAY SUPERHERO!

Good news! We hope to have the bookstore open every afternoon from noon to 4:00 all summer. You can help make this happen by volunteering to work an occasional two-hour shift on Sundays. If interested, come have tea, cookies, and a training session in the library multipurpose room on Sunday, May 22nd from 4:00 to 5:00. Be sure to bring your personal calendar so that you'll be ready to sign up for times and dates that work for you. To reserve a place for the training session, call Linda Zimmerman (745-5434)

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from our librarian

It is such a joy to be a part of the library because it is a thriving center of the community. We serve local residents and visitors from all over the world. The new computers purchased by the Friends (and soon to be installed) will more than double public access to the Internet. Additional funding from the Friends and the City of Carpinteria

keeps the newest best sellers coming to our bookshelves (and flying off them, too).

Beyond our walls we take every opportunity to promote literacy and library services. We have given away nearly

1000 new books to local school children, with funding from the national program RIF (Reading is FUNdamental), given presentations of Library services to Adult Education students, at the Carpinteria Family Resource Center, to parent groups and others.

As you can see, the Carpinteria Library is an investment in our future and the future of our citizens. And remember, all successful investments require attention, time and resources to remain valuable and to grow. Use and enjoy your library and thanks for your support.

Tara O'Reilly



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Carpinteria Library Calendar

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Thursdays, 10:30am

A time to share the joy of reading, rhyming and storytelling fun with your preschoolers.

CARPINTERIA WRITERS' GROUP

Tuesdays, 10am-12noon

Join local authors to share and discuss each others' work

BOOK CLUB, every 3rd

Wednesday, 7:30pm

Lively discussion of monthly book selection. Co-sponsored by Coastal View News and the Carpinteria Library. All are welcome.

May 18 The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks
by *Rebecca Skloot*

Jun 15 Netherland by *Joseph O'Neill*

July 20 She Got Up Off the Couch: and Other Heroic Acts from Mooreland, Indiana
by *Haven Kimmel*

Aug 17 Dogs of Babel by *Carolyn Parkhurst*

GIANT LAWN SALE

May 7, 10:00am-2:00pm

At the Bookstore. Overflowing with books!

SUMMER READING

PROGRAM, June 7-July 30

For pre-readers and readers of all ages. Prizes! This year's theme is: *One World, Many Stories.*

Jul 6, 5:00-7:00pm

Teen Gaming Night:
Join us for Nintendo and snacks at the library

Jul 7, 11:00am

July 21, 11:00am

Summer crafts for all ages