



**Friends
of the
Arroyo
Grande
Library**

The Library Insider

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"Nature and books belong to the eyes that see them." Ralph Waldo Emerson

**THE APRIL BOOK SALE IS CANCELLED
PLEASE DO NOT BRING IN DONATIONS
OF BOOKS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

FROM THE PRESIDENT

These are difficult times, but we will get through it. As we shelter in place, we will have more time to read, which I think is a good thing. Digital services are available at SLOlibrary.org. There you can enjoy e-books, audiobooks, streaming tv, movie and music services, learning classes, and digital access to newspapers and magazines. All this is available while the library is closed. Also, we probably have a pile of books at home that we've been meaning to read. Let's try to stay positive.

We have had to cancel the April book sale and aren't sure when we will be able to hold another one. I must remind everyone not to bring donations to the library at this time. There will be no one there to accept and sort them. Again, we don't know how long this will last.

The other thing we had to cancel was our annual meeting, which was scheduled for April 14th. We will have one again as soon as it becomes possible to meet in the library. In addition, our membership drive has been put on hold. We will still have the raffle for new and renewing members as soon as we are able.

We will miss our library, but it will be back. In the meantime, stay safe, take care of yourselves, and be kind to each other.

Kersti Lasiewski,
President



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further notice.**



LIBRARY NEWS



Spring is on its way bringing the promise of warmer weather and nature's bounty. The season is also associated with filing taxes. In partnership with United Way of SLO County, four

libraries are offering free tax preparation software assistance. Prepare and file your taxes online using MyFreetaxes.org. No income limits are imposed, but fees may apply depending on the schedule prepared. United Way is offering free software assistance each Sunday from February 9 to April 5. Walk-in hours are from 11 am – 4 pm at the Atascadero, Arroyo Grande, Los Osos and San Luis Obispo Libraries. Visit UnitedWaySLO.org or call 805-541-1234 for more information about what materials to bring to these sessions.

For our customers who enjoy accessing library materials on their tablets, smartphones and computers, the library has a great selection of products that allow for online checking out and downloading of eBooks, downloadable audiobooks and magazines. These products include Overdrive, Cloud Library, Hoopla, Enki and RB Digital magazines. These services all offer free apps that can be found in the app stores on Apple or Android devices. For more information, visit <https://www.slolibrary.org/index.php/digital> or bring your devices and questions into the Library where staff can be of assistance.

Would you like to use your library card to improve your skills? All County of SLO Library card holders can access Lynda.com tutorials. Individual learners can achieve personal and professional goals with this online learning platform. Your library card provides access to the Lynda.com video library of engaging, top-quality courses taught by recognized industry experts. Information about yet another great online tool provided by the Library can be found at www.slolibrary.org. Happy Spring!

-Rosalyn Pierini, South County Regional Librarian

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARY...



**PLEASE NOTE
THAT DUE TO
COVID 19 VIRUS
ALL GROUP PROGRAMS AT
THE LIBRARY ARE
CANCELLED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE.
GO TO : SLOLIBRARY.ORG
FOR INFORMATION**

- Friday April 17 10 AM Bookends Book Club
2 PM Encaustic Painting Workshop
Ages 14+, Registration Required
- Saturday April 18 11:00 AM – Bee Flower Pot Workshop
Ages 7 - 13 Registration Required
- Tuesday April 21 4:30 PM Bookends Book Club
- Thursday April 23 3:30 PM PAWS to read with Nella
- Saturday April 25 2:00 PM – Lego Club
Ages 6-10, Registration Required
- May, 2020
- Saturday May 2 11:00 AM - Curious Parent Forum:
Take Your Kids on a Literary Adventure
2:00 PM - Pyjama Drama: Dinosaur Stomp
All Ages
- Tuesday May 5 10 AM Beginning Knitting
10:30 AM Bilingual Storytime
- Wednesday May 6 4:00 PM - Kids Yoga Class
Ages 5-10, Registration Required
- Saturday May 9 2 PM Positive/Negative Design Workshop
Ages 13 & Up, Registration Required
- Thursday May 14 3:30 PM - PAWS to Read with Nella
- Friday May 15 10AM Bookends Book Club
- Tuesday May 21 4:30 PM Bookends Book Club
- Saturday May 23 2:00 PM - Teen Beading Workshop
Ages 10-17 Registration Required
- Thursday May 28 3:30 PM - PAWS to Read with Nella
- Saturday May 30 2:00 PM - Lego Club
Ages 6-10, Registration Required

YOUTH CORNER...

There is always something new happening at the library! Here are a few of the newest events and changes.

Children and their parents often come to the library looking for books on their Fountas and Pinnell reading level. As a public library we don't catalog our books in this way and it can be very difficult to locate the books that they need. Now that we have Read to Me Family Book Kits these books are a lot easier to locate. Each bag has a selection of 8 books all on an individual reading level. The bags check out as a set and can also be reserved on our website. These kits can be used with adult learners as well.

The library is now offering the Discover & Go program that offers free and low-cost passes for museums, science centers, zoos, theatres, and other cultural destinations. The initial bulk of the museums are in Northern California, but we are working to add local institutions as well. You must have a County of SLO Library adult card and live within the County of San Luis Obispo Library's service area to use the Discover & Go service. Go to our website, www.slolibrary.org, for more information.

After getting requests from parents, our monthly Bilingual Storytime will be changing to a weekly schedule. Now children and parents can enjoy Miss Nancy's stories, songs and fingerplays in Spanish and English **every Tuesday at 10:30!**

I am helping our Youth Services Librarian Margaret by adding summer events to our website calendar, so if you need to plan for summer you can check it out.

As always, thank you to the Friends of the Arroyo Grande Library for your support for our children's events and for all the many ways that you give back to your library.

By Sallie Tonascia, Youth Librarian



These pictures are from IMAGINATION PLAYGROUND from the SLO Children's Museum

Friends Membership February-March 2020

Renew your membership by the end of March and receive a coupon for a free book and enter our raffle for a Amazon Fire HD8 tablet.

Renewals:

Tony Agrusa	Besley Lewis IVictor Lewis
Kay Albertson	Janice Lorincz & Joe Mylan
Tina Baldwin	Laura Manning (2 yrs)
Janice Beene	Sheila McBryde
Danny & Adele Beher	Darleen McKinney
Roxanne Bohn	Sandra Naumann
John & Gill Bouma	Thien Ng
Lorraine Brewster	Shannon O'Neal
Mary Buehnerkemper	Ed & Gaye Peltzman
Lynzy Burke	Cheryl & Vince Petrie
David Ciaffardini	Pat Ramsay
Dale & Susy Cobb	Karen Reinecke
Burt Cochran	Cathy Ross
Diane Colson	Deah & Rose Rudd
Roger Connolly	Donna Rueff
Dawn Coon	Susan Sawade (life)
Kristi Crawford & Evan Miller-Donnelly	Carolyn Scheeff
Catherine & David Christie	Catherine Sells
Richard & Patricia Decker	Sharon Shaw
Janis Dreyer	Ted & Joann Smith
Benita Epstein	Phil Stonesifer
Nan Fowler	Darcy Swords-Gillen
Fuhs Family	David Thompson
Doug & Cindy Garland	Mary & Susan Thronsdon
Gary & Helene Hamilton	Maxwell & Dorothy Tuman
Brenda Hoover	Bonnie Young
Donald Ice	Donation:
Stella James	Jamie Baker-Addison
Claire Johnson	Danny & Adele Beher
Tommie Josephson	Catherine & David Christie
Jerry & Simone Levine	Francesca Fairbrother
	Stella James
	Catherine Sells



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**OR OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: *FRIENDS OF
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FOR FUTURE NOTICES

Friends giving report for 2020 Through February

**The Friends have provided the Arroyo
Grande Library:**

Library Materials: \$3,144

Furniture & Equipment: \$350

Total: \$3,494

-Donna Kimber & Sandy Stellway

Volunteer at the Library!

Come and join us in sorting through the fascinating books, magazines, audiobooks, CDs and DVDs that are donated to our library. We need volunteers who have some organizational skills and are able to donate an hour or two of time each week. No meetings!! We will train you, and we will sub for you if you travel. If you're interested in seeing how the process works, please email Donna at: ghbinky@sbcglobal.net.

We are still looking for a smart, dedicated person to be our membership chair. Contact Danna at d2weidner@gmail.com

(Please keep in mind, no children are allowed in the Sorting Room. It's a liability issue.)