



BOOK SALE NEWS

Save the dates for our Spring Book Sale: May 20th to 23rd

We now start at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, then all day Thursday and Friday, finishing up on Saturday at 12:30. As in the past, the sale will be held on the second floor community room, across the hall in our workroom, and in the hall, plus at our Book Shop on the main Library floor.

Our prices range from 15 cents for some children’s books to half price on most other books. Plus there will be special books for collectors. The money we raise goes directly to fund the various programs and needs of the RB Library, and we are able to recycle books within our community.

Your donations are welcome. Please bring them to the Library at least a week prior to the sale. If you wish to help call Dick Luehring at 858 613-3926 or send an email to rb.library.friends@gmail.com.

President’s Message by Judy Levine LET’S ENJOY MEMBERSHIP!

Do you know that Friends pay half price **EVERY DAY**, not just Wednesdays and at sales? Or that only Friends may borrow best sellers from the shop’s Lending Library? Friends also receive this Newsletter and find satisfaction in helping *their* library—the \$\$\$ stay in RB. And NOW, there’s a Members Only page on our website. (see page 3 for more on the website.)

Some of us work at Book Sales (coming up) or in the shop or workroom, where donated books are sorted. Some of us serve on the Board of Directors. We commit as much or little time as we wish (or can). We are grateful to all our members, the ones who work, as well as those who support the library from the sidelines. So let’s grow our Friends. More members can do more. Tell your neighbors, book club colleagues, and friends.

Yesterday, we celebrated our workers with a lunch at Carver’s and a bus ride to tour the Central Library. See the story on page 2. Events like this say “thank you,” but also bond us to each other—not only to work, but as friends. We get to know each other and share good feelings. I was energized by the enthusiasm and warmth of the men and women who help the library by donating their time and energy. Thanks to Jackie Hough, Hospitality Chair, for masterminding the arrangements.

WE NOW NEED A NEW MEMBERSHIP CHAIR and a MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE. Please say you’re willing to help and call me on 858-485-0602 or email me at JudithLLevine@earthlink.net

BUY BOOK BARGAINS MAY 20 - 23



RB LIBRARY COMPUTER AND eREADER CLASSES FOR ADULTS:

E-reader Clinic

Tuesdays (Apple & Android devices), 11:30am – 1pm
Thursdays (Kindle & Nook), 3pm – 5pm. Download library eBooks and eAudiobooks. Bring your device.

Basic Internet Computer Class: Wednesdays, 3 – 4pm.
Learn to search the Internet and use e-mail. Sign-up at the Information Desk or call (858) 538-8163.

Computer Class for Beginners: Saturdays, 10 – 11am.
Basic computer use. Surf the Internet. Print web pages. Sign-up at the Information Desk or call (858) 538-8163.

DICK LUEHRING TO BE HONORED

Dick Luehring will be honored at the "Hats Off to Volunteers" event on Saturday, April 25 at the **Rancho Bernardo High School Performing Arts Center** (new location) at 9:00. (Ceremony 9:30) Let’s all go to show how appreciative we are for Dick’s service: six years as President, before that as Treasurer. Plus all his work on Book Sales. Thank you, Dick, for all your support.



CONCERT NEWS

The Friends sponsor county-leading concerts in our community room. Each year, we present 16 classical and jazz concerts, featuring the best musicians in Southern California.

On April 22nd, Kate Hatmaker and Friends return, as a foursome, with piano, cello and another violin. On May 27th, it's San Diego Symphony principal bassist, Jeremy Kurtz-Harris, accompanied by pianist Ines Irawati.

Our stellar jazz series attracts huge audiences. We'll have Cuban Jazz by the Gilbert Castellanos Quintet on April 8 and complete the season with the Larry Okmin Quartet with vocalist Janet Hammer on May 13.

All concerts are on Wednesdays, starting at **6:15 PM**. Tickets are not required. Children 7 and older may attend with a parent. Concerts are supported by free-will donations, a grant from the RB Community Foundation, and sponsors, including the Friends of the RB Library. To receive reminder e-mails, send an e-mail to rbconcerts@earthlink.net.

Harvey Levine, Concerts Director



The Aviara Trio returned to a full house on March 25

LENDING LIBRARY NEWS

Additions for February and March are: *The Bishop's Wife*, by Mette Ivie Harrison; *The Girl on the Train*, by Paula Hawkins; *Cold Cold Heart*, by Tami Hoag; *Trust No One*, by Jayne Ann Krentz; *The Magician's Lie*, by Greer Macallister; *Before I Go*, by Colleen Oakley; *A String of Beads*, by Thomas Perry; *The Patient Will See You Now*, by Eric Topol; *Thief*, by Mark Sullivan; *Spring Chickens-Stay Young Forever (or Die Trying)*, by Bill Gifford; *The Nightingale*, by Kristan Hannah; *Arsenic and Old Books*, by Miranda James; *Descent*, by Tim Johnson; *Before He Finds Her*, by Michael Kardas; *Motive*, by Jonathon Kellerman; *You Can't Make This Up*, by Al Michaels; *Private Vegas*, by James Patterson; *The Kind Worth Killing*, by Peter Swanson; and *Spool of Blue Thread* by Anne Tyler.

As a Friend you may check out 2 books and for 3 weeks.

BUS TRIP TO CENTRAL LIBRARY



Friends of the Library volunteers were treated to an educational outing to San Diego's main library. We met at Carver's restaurant for lunch and some social time. After which, enthusiastic newly acquainted fellow volunteers boarded a coach for the trip.

Well-informed docents led volunteers in a thorough tour, even a behind-the-scenes peek at some impressive automation. During the hour-long tour, volunteers were shown the areas that schedule free activities for the community and how they are accessible for handicapped citizens. One of the exciting venues was a room equipped with 3D printers—in use! Many volunteers were especially taken with the Rare Books room.

Although everyone was certainly impressed with the architecture and the physical presence of the library, insight into the impact that volunteering has on such a large institution of community service was brought into focus.

On the return trip, newly made friends could reflect with pride in their city's library system, and on the rewards of volunteer service. *Jackie Hough, Hospitality Chair*

A SERIOUS LENDING LIBRARY PROBLEM

We recently inventoried the Friends Lending Library. Unfortunately, we discovered that a shocking number of books are missing—not on the shelves and not checked out. Most are current best sellers. If you find any of these books on your shelves at home, just drop them in the shop (or even in the bookdrop). Staff can easily identify Friends of the Library books. Thank you.

Please be sure you sign out Lending Library books and **LEAVE THE CARD WITH THE SHOP VOLUNTEER**. Try to return books directly to the shop. However, if the shop is closed, return them to the Library Front Desk or in the bookdrop if the library is closed.

We welcome your suggestions, so let us know what you like to read. Every month we purchase 10 books for you to read and enjoy.

*Kathy & Bob Luehring
Lending Library Co-Chairs*

FRIENDS of the LIBRARY Website

FriendsOfTheRanchoBernardoLibrary.org

The purpose of our Friends of the Library website is to disseminate information to members and supporters, raise money, and attract more volunteers. We also aim to generate interest in the Friends and the Rancho Bernardo Library and its activities.

We, like any contemporary organization, need an attractive, up-to-date presence on the Internet. A website is an inexpensive and valuable tool. We can raise funds and keep clients apprised of services and events. We hope to increase visibility for website visitors searching for an activity, looking to get involved in something meaningful, or to donate to a good cause.

I have developed websites for non-profit organizations in the Lake Tahoe and San Diego areas for over fifteen years. After attending a number of Wednesday night concerts and wanting to find out more about joining the Friends of the Rancho Bernardo Library, I naturally searched the Internet and found our website. When I joined, I was asked to describe how I might contribute and was later invited to take over our website maintenance, which I was happy to do. Maintenance turned into redesign since we were limited by the then current website host.

As with any media the most important element of a website is its content. The content must be informative, fresh, useful, and up to date. This requires a significant commitment from the organization. In addition, new features must be constantly added to keep viewers returning to the website.

We are in constant need of new content – That's where you come in. Please email your material, text, and photos, to Dick Luehring, Publicity Chair, at rluehring@san.rr.com for inclusion in the website.

We are continually enhancing our website by improving the design for mobile users, adding online membership and donation capability, information on Board activities and much, much else.

I welcome your suggestions as to how our website may be improved. Please check it out and email me at pduggan1990@att.net. *Paul Duggan, Webmaster*



RB Friends Honoree, Eleanor Ellis with Jay Hill, SDPL Library Foundation CEO, and Dick Luehring. All San Diego branch Friends organizations nominate one or more members to be honored each year.

MORE ADULT LIBRARY PROGRAMS For BODY AND MIND

Hatha Yoga: Mondays, 11:30am – 12:30pm.
A gentle paced yoga led by Patti Bozorgchami.

Zumba Gold: Mondays, 4 – 5pm; Friday, 1 – 2pm.
Latin rhythms. Easy-to-follow moves.

RB Library Book Club

April 15th, Wednesday 3 – 4pm

Discuss *The Rosie Project* by Graeme Simsion.

Copies are available for checkout at the RB Library.

OASIS: History of San Diego through Music

April 21st, Tuesday 1– 2pm: Melodies from regional Native Americans, explorers, missions, Mexican ranchos, and the Gold Rush. **Chris Burns.**

Computer classes are on p. 1.

Jazz and Classical Music are featured on p. 2.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

Crafts

Craft Time: Every Wednesday, 6 - 6:30 pm

Preschool Crafts: Friday, April 3 - 10:30 am

Games and Crafts: Thursday, April 9 - 10:30 am

Stories

Paws for Reading with Love on a Leash (K - 4th grade): Every Wednesday, 5– 6 pm

Sign-a-Story Circle Time: Thursday, April 30 - 10:30am

Story Time with Miss Bari: Friday, April 17 – 10:30 am

Story Time with Mrs. Cox: Thursday, April 2, 16, 30 - 10:30 am.

Miscellaneous

Therapy Dog – Ms. Judy & Buddy: Every Saturday – 1 pm

Toddler Yoga: Monday, April 6 – 10:30 am

Let's Make Music School: April 24 – 10:30

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR NEEDED!!!!

Committee members also needed.

The membership chair enters information about new members and renewals into an Excel file which is used by the shop, the newsletter printer, and the Board. We'd love to have someone who wants to help the Friends grow. For more information or to volunteer, call Judy Levine (858)485-0602 or email to JudithLLevine@earthlink.net.

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A Big Welcome to 18 new members: Elaine Beck, Ruth Berger, Lynne Caine, James & Karin Coote, Barbara Crane, Susan Eshelman, Brendan D. Flanagan, Larry Goodwin, Diane Heinz, Nancy Hooper, Robert & Lynne Jaseph, Nancy Linton, Madonna Newburg, Valerie O'Hara, Helen Pirkel, Anthony & Bridget Ramos, Dan Ripley, Amanda Roth, Angela Setter, Jan Simpson, Michele Wayman, Carole Westcott and Grace Young

Marianne Pekala, Membership Chair

We Need Your Friendship

Rancho Bernardo Friends of the Library
17110 Bernardo Center Drive, San Diego, CA 92128

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(Circle or underline any of the above that apply)