Friends of the Sonoma Valley Library Newsletter

Website: www.svfol.org

FALL: November 2019

2019 BOOK SALES DATES

WINTER: FEB 13,14,15,16 SPRING: MAY 15,16,17,18 SUMMER: AUG14,15,16,17 FALL: NOV 13, 14,15,16

WEDNESDAYS: FIRST DAY OF SALE -MEMBERS ONLY 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. OPEN TO PUBLIC 2:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Thu-Fri 10:00 am to 5:30 pm Sat 10:00 am to 3:30 pm

SATURDAYS:
"ALL BOOKS TWO FOR ONE"
ALL CHILDREN'S BOOKS \$1
CHILDREN GET FIRST BOOK
FREE

FREE BOOKS FOR
SCHOOL-RELATED AND
LOCAL NON-PROFITS
FICTION ONLY 'MINI' BOOK
SALES HELD BETWEEN
OUARTERLY SALES

From the Interim Manager

Dear Friends.

It's certainly been an eventful autumn! We all learned a new acronym (PSPS), and experienced the vagaries of power shutoffs in the Sonoma Valley. The Library experienced two days of power outage Oct. 9 and 10, and had to close for those days; additionally, we closed Oct. 28 when so many library staff were under mandatory evacuation that Sonoma County Library could only safely staff two branches, Despite the Library closing three days in October and having to cancel four events, we saw a higher door count than usual: 11,368.

We're looking forward to finishing out the year with one new service and some great events. In November we expand the technology available for check out with Chromebook Kits containing Chromebook computers and SonomaFi wifi hotspots. These will circulate for two weeks to patrons age 13 or older and will allow full online access to the internet for the Chromebook and up to four other devices. Since data is included in the hotspot, the borrower has ready-to-go internet access. Thanks to funding from the Friends we have begun to order extra copies of bestsellers, so look for those in the new book display. These will predominantly be "Lucky Day" copies which don't fill holds intended for local patrons.

Much gratitude to the Sonoma **Friends** for welcoming me as an interim manager and for loving and supporting your local library. You are the friendliest **Friends** group!

Diana

KUDOS TO OUR STAR VOLUNTEER:

Each year the Sonoma Valley Fund fetes Star Volunteers from non-profits with an elegant ceremony. This year, the *Friends* nominee was a young man, Anthony Bingham. Here is a brief statement of his dedication to our Sonoma Valley Library:

Over the past 5 plus years, Anthony Bingham has spent four afternoons a week at the library, always going above and beyond to make sure each and every book is sorted and shelved accurately. His hard work helps make the library a wonderful place for students, seniors, and everyone in between. Library volunteers also help make the Friends of the Library Book Sales a local treasure.

FREE PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY

*Tech Help: Free One-on-One Technology Help -- Mon. 11/4 and Mon. 11/18 at 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, and 2:30 pm. Continues 12/2 and 12/16.

Sign up for a half hour session with a librarian for Introductory Computer and Mobile Device Skills; Call 707-996-5217 or register on-line. By Appointment Only

Homework Help -- Tue. 11/5, 11/12, and 11/19 at 3:00-5:00 pm

Boost your knowledge and your grades! Get free homework coaching in the Homework Help program at your local library. Homework assistance for grades K-12 by trained volunteer Homework Coaches who can help with all subjects. Drop-in, no appointments necessary

Native American Heritage: Traditional Basket Weaving with Clint McKay -- Wed. 11/6 at 6:00 pm. Master Weaver Clint McKay (Dry Creek Pomo/Wappo/Wintun) will be giving a presentation on how to recognize the characteristics of fine California Indian basketry.

Teens Cook at the Library (ages 13-17) -- Fri. 11/8 at 4:00 pm

Join Ceres Community Project's Nutrition Educators to learn how to cook easy, delicious, and satisfying recipes.

Lego Club -- Fri. 11/22 at 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Join creative minds at the library and build your own unique creations. We provide the Legos, you provide your imagination! Ages 5-12 are welcome to attend the program.

Chair Yoga (Healthy Living at Your Library series) -- Sat. 11/23 at 11:00 am Maintain and regain mobility in this gentle form of yoga practiced while sitting on a chair. Series continues 12/7, 12/14, 12/21.

* <u>3D Printing at the Library: Intermediate Design</u> -- Mon. 11/25 at 6:00-7:30 pm Learn about 3D Printing and start designing! For ages 12 and up

Holiday Tamale Making - Sat. 12/7 at 4 pm Artist Access Opening Reception for David Barker's exhibit, Fri. 12/6 at 4 pm

BOOK CLUBS: Friends of the Sonoma Valley Library currently sponsors and supports two book clubs here in Sonoma. Here is information on meeting times and topics.

CLASSICAL REFLECTIONS:

Facilitated by Mary-Kay Gamel. Contact information: mkgamel@ucsc.edu email, or 707-343-1827.

Here's the story: We have thirteen devoted members, but we are always ready to accept others. We meet at the Library on the second Tuesday of the month from 1:30-3 (unless there are conflicts such as book sales). There are NO expectations about preparation, just willingness to confront new and exciting works.

We tend to range between established classical texts (Greek or Roman texts in good translations) and modern adaptations or spinoffs which connect and illuminate the original texts. At the August meeting we will finish discussing the **AENEID** that is, the last four books, in Fagles' excellent translation. The reading for the September meeting is the novel **LAVINIA**, published by *Ursula LeGuin* in 2008. It focusses on a character important in the **AENEID** but who never speaks a word in that text.

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB:

Facilitated by Kassandra Miller. Contact information: kassandra4@comcast.net email, (include "Mystery Book Club") in subject line, or 707-935-9415 phone.

The club meets the **first Thursday of each month** promptly at 4PM in the Forum Room at the Library. Titles selected for the remainder of 2019 are listed below. Books for 2020 are listed in summary below with the month read yet to be determined. Contact Kassandra for an update.

December 2019 **Dead Irish** by *John Lescroart*

2020 Book Titles

Cape Diamond by Ron Corbett
The Colorado Kid by Stephen King:
The Disappeared by C.J. Box
Force of Nature by Jane Harper
Mitford Murders by Jessica Fellows
Money in the Morgue by Ngaio Marsh
Too Far Gone by Allison Brennan
The Western Star by Craig Johnson
The Wife by Alafair Burke
The Girl who Lived Twice by David Lagercrantz
Killing Floor by Lee Child
A Share in Death by Deborah Crombie

News from the Friends

The Friends Board meets monthly on the second Thursday at 3:00pm in the Forum Room at the Library. This is an open meeting and the public is encouraged to attend. The minutes of the meetings will be posted on the Friends website beginning November, 2019. Here's the link: www.svfol.org

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