

A Bi-monthly Newsletter

Jan - Feb 2017



# Happy New Year to all!!!

# Message from the Co-Presidents

Happy New Year! 2016 was a very busy year and finished with a bang with national election, local election, and, for us, a big book sale in December. Though we were very disappointed at the results of the local library issue on the ballot, now we need to work together to come to a solution for our deteriorating, small libraries. The need for new facilities exists, and we need to look at the situation with fresh eyes. Just this past week, the librarians returned to work at Sharp Park Library to discover the antiquated furnaces had broken down. On-going repairs for aged systems are costing the city precious dollars. With citizen input, I hope we can come to some agreement on the path forward.

Through it all, we are continuing to work to support programs at the

library. This year saw the largest participation in the summer reading program (over 5,000 free books distributed to participants) and the inception of a new winter program to keep children engaged over the Christmas break. Some of the memorable programs were the Tricycle Music Concert, the fun Noon Year's Eve, the two programs with the Pacifica Beach Coalition on whales and sharks, and lots of other programs for children and adults including the popular docent talks on museum shows. In order to fund these, we have two major booksales throughout the year, and we are especially grateful to the generous people who come and donate their time to this effort.

Some of the achievements of the Friends this year were the completion of the long awaited website which is now up and running at www.pacificafriendsofthelibrary.org, a Facebook page, and inclusion in the Amazon Smile program. We also

participated in the Fog Fest, and mobilized to work for the library bond. Our on-going Book Nook is located on the landing of the Sharp Park Library and is kept current by our Book Nook workers. Thanks to all who keep us operating smoothly, especially to our hard working board members, Book Nookers, Fog Fest workers, and Book Sale volunteers. Last but not least, thanks to all who contribute their gently used books for our sales.

We move forward into 2017 with some trepidation and anticipation. The newly formed Library Advisory Committee will be looking at the results of a post election survey and searching for a solution that will work for all citizens in the future. Check our website for updates.

Cheers!

Joan Putz & Caroline Barba \*\*\*\*\*



### **Lookmobile Comes To Pacifica**

From 10am – 4pm on January 31 and February 1, and 2, the new Lookmobile of the San Mateo Co. Library System will be at the parking lot of the City Council Chambers, 2122 Beach Blvd. and on Feb.3 and 4 in the parking lot of the Sanchez Library. Come and see what's new with interactive and hands on learning experiences. This is your chance to explore, experiment, and see what technology is available through the library beyond books. Try something new in the new year. You'll be glad you did.

### You're Invited!

On Thursday afternoon January 26, at 3:30 pm, the PFOL invites you to join us at the Sanchez Library to celebrate and thank all our volunteers and elect the following slate of officers: Co-Presidents Joan Putz and Caroline Barba; Vice President, Reba Leon; Treasurer, Sharon Lamparter; Secretary, Juanita Mercado; membership chair, Carl Schwab. Come and join us for refreshments and a peek into the future. We especially invite all those who helped in any of our fundraising events.

## **Book Sale Report**

Thanks to all who contributed to the success of our December 2016 Book Sale. We raised \$3,051 dollars thanks to your efforts. Special thanks go to the clean up team who worked like a precision machine to clean up and restore the meeting room in record time. Each sale requires the on-going efforts of the Book Nook workers, the set up crew, the cashiers, and the clean-up crew. Thanks to Joan Putz for organizing volunteers. Well done! Also, we received our check in December from the Fog Fest Organizing Group in the record amount of \$2,290.

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