In the Home Stretch—$30,000 to go

Our Remodel Project is within sight! It was less than one year ago when we began our official fundraising efforts to raise the remaining $200,000 for this project. Now we are within $30,000 of having the total funds-on-hand to begin the work. As we work in conjunction with the County to pass through the final steps of approval and permits, we are looking forward to the possibility of starting demolition and construction in the first half of 2014. That’s just a few months away!

We are so appreciative of the many donors and supporters who have stepped forward to make this happen. We have received gifts of all sizes. Some have been given in honor or memory of loved ones. Some are planned gifts given as part of an estate settlement. Some come from adults who have used the library services for years, and others are from our youth who already have an appreciation for our library. All of the gifts were given with a generous spirit and an appreciation of what the Morro Bay Library means to our community.

As the holiday season approaches and we turn our thoughts to all that we are thankful for, our library donors top the list! If you want to pass on an extra “thank you” to our donors, please see their names listed on page 4. You are sure to recognize someone’s name there. Next time you see them, tell them how much you appreciate their support!

Our Year-End-Giving Goal—Please Help!

We want to finish this campaign in 2013 and we need your help to do it! If you haven’t already made your gift to the Remodel Campaign, or if you feel moved to make an additional gift, now is the time.

Take advantage of the tax-deduction in 2013. MBFOL is a non-profit organization, so 100% of your donation is tax-deductible.

If you donate regularly every year, consider making a one-time larger donation when the funds are needed most—NOW! We appreciate your steady giving over the years, but we could use the big push right now to make this goal. The remodel upgrades will last for many years, so we won’t need to do a big capital campaign again for quite a while.

Show your support of our community. Once we finish the campaign and prepare our final donor list for recognition, we want your name to be on it. Individuals and businesses have already shown their support of this town treasure. Won’t you join us?

Donate online at mbfol.org or use the donation form on page 11.

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**Friends Board of Directors**

President—Robert “Red” Davis  772-0874
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**Our Mission:**
To stimulate public support of the Morro Bay Branch of the San Luis Obispo County Library by fostering and establishing closer relations between the library and the citizens and organizations of Morro Bay, by focusing public attention on library services, facilities and needs and by soliciting gifts, endowments and bequests to provide financial aid for adequate facilities and needs.

**2012 Committee/Program Chairs/Support**

Website Coordinator—Rhonda Crowfoot
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**Among Friends Newsletter**

*Among Friends* is a quarterly publication distributed to all MBFOL members (over 500 households). We encourage submissions of library-related material. Please contact Joan Browne, Editor, for deadlines and formats. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject material. Each article is the opinion of its author and does not necessarily represent the opinion or endorsement of the Friends or the Library or the editors.

**Note:** The artwork used in the headers of pgs. 1, 6 & 7 is from the tile mural by Peter Ladochy that is on the west side of the Morro Bay Library.

**Announcements…..**

Congratulations to graphics designer Heather Barbis (HB Design) who won three awards from the Graphic Design USA Magazine for the materials she created for us for the Remodel Campaign. Heather is also the designer of our current Friends of the Library logo. It’s nice to know we have such talent in our town and within our Friends members! You can see her work at www.HBDesign805.com.

**FOR SALE**

Electric fireplace from Library lobby

$500 or best offer

(original price $1,100)

**Morro Bay High School Chamber Choir**

Friday, December 6,
3:30-4 p.m.

The Chamber Choir returns this year to help us ring in the holidays with true musical style. Come join us for a musical treat!

(see pg. 6-7 for other Library events)
I want to explore another kind of library – “collection of things” – in this case, pieces of art. And I want to tickle your imagination, inspire you to follow your curiosity about the things I write about in this column. Your library is a never-ending source of information. Try it.

On a bright warm Roman morning, Gail and I walked a mile or so from our apartment to Villa Borghese. Since it was in our neighborhood, we wanted to see what it was. It turned out to be a great library of art.

Roman Catholic priests do not normally have children, so it became the custom in the medieval era for well-placed church officials to dote on their nephews (thus, nepotism). Scipio Borghese’s uncle, Pope Paul V, was influential in the Church, and in 1613 he gave his nephew a red hat, an army and several hundred acres outside the walls of Rome to go with full diplomatic powers to represent the Holy Roman Empire to the world. A pretty good gig for a man still in his 30’s.

Scipio built a grand villa on his new estate, both to house the world’s greatest private art collection and to receive foreign dignitaries, who were to be amazed and awed by the display of wealth and power and good taste of the owner.

Gail and I bought tickets for an English-speaking tour and checked our hats and jackets in the cloakroom.

Felix introduced himself to us and said that we were going to be the only people on his tour.

We began in the main entry hall, a three-story extravaganza of mixed-media artistic masterpieces. From the ceiling fresco, down the walls that are adorned with classic paintings and sculptures, to the tile mosaic floor depicting rock-star gladiators and graffiti from the second and third centuries, the room expands the senses and captivates visitors with bright colors and sweeping representations of time and style.

Felix’ favorite artists are Caravaggio and Bernini, who together initiated the transition from Classic to Baroque, one in oil, the other in marble.

Caravaggio was the bad boy of Italian art, a man of the streets, a drinker and a womanizer who painted La Madonna dei Palafrenieri depicting Mary, Mother of Jesus, with the face of Rome’s most famous prostitute. For that, and for accidentally killing a man in a barroom brawl, he fled from Rome to travel in the south. He eventually received forgiveness by sending a painting to the Pope showing David presenting the head of Goliath and using his own visage as the face of the giant.

Bernini likewise loved to recreate ancient myths and Christian scenes using depictions of ordinary people as historic figures. His David is a squinting, grim-faced, tight-lipped boy preparing to unleash his sling in an underhanded arc that will decide in one stroke whether he lives or dies.

What is stunning about the collection is that Cardinal Scipio was able to commission or purchase many of these great works directly from the artists and they have never been on display anywhere else. They were created in the villa and have never been moved.

On the top floor is a great masterpiece, Titian’s Amor Sacro e Amor Profano. Felix told us that, at the end of the 19th Century, one of the Rothschilds offered a sum greater than the value of the entire estate for this painting - but the Borghese family refused to sell it. They did sell the gallery to the state of Italy in 1902 and sold the grounds to the city of Rome with the stipulation that the collection would remain intact for eternity.

So the treasured possessions of a wealthy man remain intact in place through time, providing continuing pleasure and wonder to everyone who wishes to visit the Villa and observe them.
Thank You!!

We give our heartfelt appreciation to these many donors to the Morro Bay Library Remodel Campaign. Their generosity is helping our vision become a reality. Our fundraising efforts are not over yet, so we hope to add many names to this list in the next few months.

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Nicholas Johnson *
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NOTICE

Update to the Bylaws:
Membership approval needed

The MBFOL Board reviews the organization’s bylaws every year at this time. The Board approved these changes at its September meeting.

Please review the changes in advance of the November 15th vote. If you have any questions, please call Robert Davis, President, #772-0874.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of four Officers, six Members-at-Large and a representative to the Foundation for San Luis Obispo County Public Libraries and shall serve as the governing body of this organization.

SECTION 7. All active members present will have the opportunity to vote for the officers and members-at-large at the annual membership meeting.

SECTION 9. Members-at-large shall each serve as Chair of special and standing committees as designated by the President. One Member-at-large may serve as a representative of this organization on the Board of Directors of the Foundation for San Luis Obispo County Public Libraries. The Treasurer shall chair the Finance Committee.

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

SECTION 2. Special meetings may be held as directed by the President and/or two or three or more current Board members. A written or email notice shall be sent to members no later than two weeks prior to the meeting.

SECTION 3. Quorum for general membership, annual election and special meetings shall be those active members present, provided proper notice is given, as defined in the bylaws. Three percent (3%) of active members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VII: FUNDS

SECTION 3. The board shall appoint a qualified person, not an Officer, Financial Review Committee to review the Treasurer’s books prior to the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS

The bylaws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the organization by two-thirds majority of the members present, provided a quorum is present. The intention to amend bylaws must be given by written notice to the members no later than two weeks prior to the meeting at which they are to be presented for consideration.

New Library Acquisitions

Books

Three Squares: The Invention of the American Meal
Happy, Happy, Happy: My Life and Legacy as the Duck Commander
Impulse: Why We Do What We Do Without Knowing Why We Do It
Jack London: An American Life
The Sudden Disappearance of the Worker Bees
Wabi-Sabi Art Workshop: Mixed Media Techniques for Embracing Imperfection and Celebrating Happy Accidents
Signature of All Things
Gone
Identical
Brilliance
Black Skies: An Inspector Erlendur novel
Justice for Sara

DVDs

Iron Man 3
Behind the Candelabra
World War Z
The Vampire Diaries: Complete fourth season
Barbie Mariposa & the Fairy Princess
Calendar of Events - November

NOV 2 (Sat) **Friends of the Library Book Sale**
Morro Bay Community Center. Members only will be admitted to the sale from 9 to 10 a.m. with the public sale from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A $3 per bag sale will be from 1 to 2 p.m.

NOV 5 (T) 10 a.m. - 10:40 a.m. **Pre-School Storytime**  Join us for stories and music.

NOV 6 (W) 10 a.m. - Noon **Book Discussion Group**  *Swamplandia* by Karen Russell

NOV 7 (Th) 10 a.m. **e-Device Class**  Get help with your devices (i.e. iPad, iPod, Kindle, et al)

NOV 12 (T)  **Library Holiday (closed)**

NOV 13 (W) 10 a.m. - Noon **Book Discussion Group**  *The Beginner’s Goodbye* by Anne Tyler

NOV 14 (Th) 10 a.m. **e-Device Class**  Get help with your devices (i.e. iPad, iPod, Kindle, et al)

NOV 15 (F) 11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.  **MBFOL Annual Meeting**  in the John Kim Room
All Friends members are welcome to attend this Annual Meeting. The Board of Directors will provide a potluck lunch as a “Thank You” to all of their donors and supporters. The purpose of this First Come, First Serve potluck is to reduce expenses which allows the Friends to leave more money for the Remodel Fund.

NOV 19 (T) 10 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.  **Pre-School Storytime**  Join us for stories and music.

NOV 19 (T) 5 - 7 p.m. **Free iPhone Class—Basics & Advanced Functionality**
Join Morro Bay resident Aaron Anderson of Rock View Realty for this free hands-on workshop which is both an introduction to the iPhone and an advanced class on some of the less obvious aspects of iPhone ownership. Please call 772-6394 to Reserve your Seat.

NOV 20 (W) 10 a.m. - Noon **Book Discussion Group**  *Gold* by Chris Cleave

NOV 21 (Th) 10 a.m. **e-Device Class**  Get help with your devices (i.e. iPad, iPod, Kindle, et al)

NOV 26 (T) 10 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.  **Pre-School Storytime**  Join us for stories and music.

NOV 27 (W)  **Library Closes at 5:00 p.m.**

NOV 28-29 (Th-F)  **Library Holiday (closed)**

NOV 30 (Sat)  **Library Open 10 a.m.—5 p.m.**

DEC 3 (T) 10 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.  **Pre-School Storytime**  Join us for stories and music.

DEC 4 (W) 10 a.m. - Noon **Book Discussion Group**  *Saving Fish from Drowning* by Amy Tan

DEC 7 (Sat) 1 p.m.  **El Chorro Outdoor School—Karen Poland will bring animals to share.**

DEC 10 (T) 10 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.  **Pre-School Storytime**  Join us for stories and music.

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*All events are held in the John Kim Room at the Morro Bay Library, unless otherwise indicated. Schedule is subject to change.*

For the comfort of those attending, please come fragrance-free to all our programs.
Calendar of Events - December/January

DEC 3 (T) 10 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.  Pre-School Storytime  Join us for stories and music.

DEC 4 (W) 10 a.m. - Noon  Book Discussion Group  Saving Fish from Drowning by Amy Tan

DEC 6 (Fri) 3:30-4 p.m.  Morro Bay High School Chamber Choir

Come enjoy the beautiful sound of this local choral group performing songs of the holidays and other fun musical treats!

DEC 7 (Sat) 1 p.m.  El Chorro Outdoor School—Karen Poland will bring animals to share.

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(see details on previous page)

DEC 11 (W) 10 a.m. - Noon  Book Discussion Group  End of Year Potluck (no assigned book)

Discussion of non-reading list books to share with the group. Also, join us for an end of the year alphabet potluck – if your last name begins with the following letter please bring that dish which feeds 8-10 people – A-F: salads; G-L: appetizers; M-R: desserts/fruit & S-Z: meat/vegan.

DEC 15 (Sat) 10 a.m. - Noon  Writer’s Club  North Coast Writer’s Club

This The North Coast Writer’s Club is here to lend support, accountability and encouragement for your writing projects - especially if you are interested in self-publishing. Bring your writing samples. More information: Bert Silva @ 771-9803 or bertsilvabythesea@gmail.com.

DEC 17 (T) 10 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.  Pre-School Storytime  Join us for stories and music.

DEC 24-25 (W)  Library Holiday (closed)

DEC 31-JAN 1 (T-W)  Library Holiday (closed)

JAN 7 (T) 10 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.  Pre-School Storytime  Join us for stories and music.

JAN 8 (W) 10 a.m. - Noon  Book Discussion Group  Flight Behavior by Barbara Kingsolver

JAN 14 (T) 10 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.  Pre-School Storytime  Join us for stories and music.

JAN 15 (W) 10 a.m. - Noon  Book Discussion Group  That Old Cape Magic by Richard Russo

DEC 16 (Sat) 10 a.m. - Noon  Writer’s Club  North Coast Writer’s Club (see above for details)

JAN 21 (T)  Library Holiday (closed)

JAN 22 (W) 10 a.m. - Noon  Mystery Readers Group  Death Comes to Pemberley by P.D. James

JAN 25 (F) 11:30 - 1:30 p.m.  Morro Bay Friends of the Library Board of Directors Meeting

Friends members and guests are welcome to attend and listen to Board business.

JAN 28 (T) 10 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.  Pre-School Storytime  Join us for stories and music.
**Membership Report from Susan Gossard**

Here are two great reasons to renew your membership now or become a new Lifetime member:

1.) Our new dues structure goes into effect January 1, 2014. Renew now and take advantage of the current dues prices before they go up!

2.) We are in the final stages of our Remodel Campaign and every donation and membership dues payment brings us one step closer to our goal. By renewing now (or upgrading to a Lifetime membership) you are helping to make our remodel vision a reality.

_Susan_

**Book Sale Report from Laurie Allen**

Our next book sale is Saturday November 2nd, and is it going to be special! Wonderful library supporters have donated several excellent collections, which will make this next sale very exciting.

First, we have a collection from a master gardener, with lots of books on specific plants as well as garden history and planning.

Then we have a huge collection of like-new cook books, including some unusual ones, and old favorites as well.

A donated art collection is full of exotic art books, including a huge Leonardo volume, and books on Indian and Asian art, among other things.

Of course, we will have our usual great selection of novels, mysteries, romances and other favorites.

There will truly be something for everyone, so we hope to see you on Nov. 2nd at 9:00 for our Member Preview Sale! Buy your holiday gifts for all your book-loving friends and family.

Every dollar goes to renovate our library and bring it into the 21st century in style!

_Laurie_

**New Dues Structure**

*Effective January 1, 2014*

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*Renew before December 31 to take advantage of the current dues rates!*

**NOMINATIONS FOR MBFOL 2014 BOARD MEMBERS**

The Summer 2013 newsletter published the status of the candidates for MBFOL Board positions for 2014. Active members were, and are invited to toss their hat in the ring, as our by-laws state that active members may apply for any Officer or Member-At-Large position for consideration for election at the annual membership meeting or by presenting their name to the Nominating Committee Chair at least one month before the elections.

To date, the following candidate positions for 2014 has not changed from the previous publication:

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Representative (not an elected position)

All active members present will have the opportunity to vote for the officers and members-at-large at the annual general membership meeting held at the Morro Bay Library on Friday, November 15, 2013.

Questions? Please contact Joan Petersen at 772.2604 or jphp@charter.net.
**JOIN the Morro Bay Friends Of The Library & support your local public library!**

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I’d like to receive my Newsletter:  
- Email **saves $5/year/member**  
- U.S. Mail

**YES! CONTACT ME TO VOLUNTEER:**

- Book Sale  
- Fundraising  
- Membership  
- Publicity  
- Special Events

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MBFOL is a 501c3 nonprofit organization.
Donor Levels & Benefits

**BENEFACTOR $5,000+**
- Naming opportunities
- Named on Donation Wall in Library
- Recognition on website for 5 years
- Annual recognition in newsletter for 5 years
- Specific article in the newsletter
- Named in publicity for Grand Re-Opening
- Lifetime membership in the Friends

**PATRON $2,500-$4,999**
- Naming opportunities
- Named on Donation Wall in Library
- Recognition on website for 3 years
- Annual recognition in newsletter for 3 years
- Specific article in the newsletter
- Lifetime membership in the Friends

**SPONSOR $1,000-$2,499**
- Named on Donation Wall in Library
- Recognition on website for 2 years
- Annual recognition in newsletter for 2 years
- Lifetime membership in the Friends

**SUPPORTER $500-$999**
- Named in Donation Book in the Library
- Recognition on website
- Annual recognition in newsletter for 1 year
- Lifetime membership in the Friends

**CONTRIBUTOR $250-$499**
- Named in Donation Book in the Library
- Recognition on website
- Annual recognition in newsletter for 1 year

**BOOKLOVER $100-$249**
- Named in Donation Book in the Library
- Recognition on website

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**NAMING OPPORTUNITIES**

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All donors of at least $1,000 will also be named on the Donor Wall in the Morro Bay Library.

For more information, please visit MBFOL.org or email info@mbfol.org.
Donation Form

Morro Bay Friends of the Library is a California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation and has 501 (c) (3) charitable status. Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by the law. Non-Profit Tax ID Number 95-3768266.

DONOR INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)
Your personal information is kept confidential.

Last Name ___________________________ First Name ___________________________ MI ______

Name as you would like it to appear in donor recognition ___________________________

Street Address ___________________________ City/State/Zip ___________________________


E-mail Address ___________________________

☐ I/we would like to give anonymously.

DONOR LEVELS & BENEFITS

(Choose One)
☐ Benefactor ($5,000+)*
☐ Patron ($2,500-$4,999)*
☐ Sponsor ($1,000-$2,499)
☐ Supporter ($500-$999)
☐ Contributor ($250-$499)
☐ Booklover ($100-$249)

(*Please see MBFOL.org for naming opportunities at these donor levels.)

Total Donation Amount $ ______________

YOUR DONATION MAY BE MADE

1) In Memory of ... To remember a family member or a friend
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3) On Behalf of ... To have another person or business receive recognition for the donation

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My gift is: ☐ In Memory of ... ☐ In Honor of ... ☐ On Behalf of ...

Name ___________________________

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☐ Check enclosed

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