Happy National Volunteer Appreciation Month!

“Volunteers are unpaid not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.” - Anonymous

April is National Volunteer Appreciation Month. What a wonderful excuse to recognize and thank our dedicated library volunteers who make everything we do possible! This newsletter will go to print just before the April 11th Library Volunteer Appreciation event. This event is the one formal opportunity we have each year to recognize our volunteers, but all year long we are appreciative of their efforts and commitment. This past year, we have focused a lot of our attention on the Remodel Project and all the donors and fundraising volunteers who are helping to make that possible. However, at the same time, all the ongoing work is still being done to keep the Friends organization and the Morro Bay Library working efficiently. On page 6 of this newsletter, you will see a list of our volunteer names. Please take the time to glance over the list. If you recognize a name of someone, make sure to thank them next time you see them! And if you’d like to have your name included on this list next year, be sure to contact Joan Petersen, our Volunteer Coordinator. There is something for everyone!

Coming Soon: Summer Reading Programs!!

Each summer the Morro Bay Friends of the Library help fund a Summer Reading program for our young readers. The Library staff works hard to organize the programs, get kids signed up and plan fun events for the participants. Even though the library will likely be closed for a good portion of the summer (for our Remodel!), the Summer Reading Program will still take place. The themes for 2014 are “Fizz, Boom, Read!” for ages 0 to 5th grade, and “Spark a Reaction!” for grades 6-12. Registration begins Saturday, June 14 and the program concludes Saturday, August 16. In between, there will be several fun family programs (see pg. 2).

Remodel Update

We’re almost there! There’s still a gap to fill in order to meet our fundraising needs, but plans are still moving forward. The Remodel Committee, architect, City of Morro Bay, and County of San Luis Obispo are all working together toward a summer start date for the Remodel Project. We will keep you updated with exact dates and plans for alternate service locations during the closure. The MBFOL website will be updated regularly during construction, so you can follow along with our progress. Your donations are still needed and welcome!

Please donate today at mbfol.org.

The next book sale is on April 26.
Friends Board of Directors

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pres@mbfol.org
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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.

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Among Friends Newsletter

Announcements.....

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 & 4 is from the tile mural by Peter Ladochy that is on the west side of the Morro Bay Library.

Announcements

Your Support is Needed!
We’ve had a great turn-out of donations from our community over the last year, but we’re not quite there yet! Your gift, no matter the size, helps us get one step closer to our goal!!

Help us realize this incredible vision!!

Donate today at mbfol.org

NOTICE TO MEMBERS: The current MBFOL tax reports are available upon request. Please contact Treasurer Gerry Fuller at oceanwaves@charter.net if you’d like to see them.

Summer Reading Program Events

Friday, June 20  2:30 p.m.  Singer, songwriter and puppeteer Tom Knight will be at the MB Senior Center Lounge.

Thursday, June 26  11:00 a.m.  Professional Drummer Dean Giles will be at the Del Mar Elementary School.

Thursday, July 10  2:00 p.m.  The Taiko Drummers will be in the library parking lot.

Thursday, July 17  2:00 p.m.  Singer and storyteller Nina Ryne will be at the Del Mar Elementary School.

Friday, July 18  2:00 p.m.  Local artist and illustrator Irene Flores will provide a Manga Drawing Workshop at the MB Teen Center. Recommended for ages 11-18.

Thursday, July 24  2:00 p.m.  Magician Gerald Joseph will be at the MB Senior Center multi-purpose room.

Thursday, July 31  2:00 p.m.  4H will host a science program at the library’s temporary location, 535 Harbor St. Space is limited to 10 students, grades 6-12.
A Message From Our President: Robert “Red” Davis

Franklin Roosevelt established America’s first Presidential Library and his is the only one that was used by a sitting president. He donated his papers to the federal government in 1939 and offered his Hyde Park estate as a place to preserve them. Friends of the President formed a non-profit corporation to raise funds for the construction of the library and museum building.

Roosevelt’s decision stemmed from a belief that Presidential papers are an important part of the national heritage and should be accessible to the public. He asked the National Archives to take custody of his papers and other historical materials and to administer his library.

Before the advent of the Presidential Library system, Presidents or their heirs often dispersed Presidential papers at the end of the administration. Though many pre-Hoover collections now reside in the Library of Congress, others are split among other libraries, historical societies, and private collections. Many materials have been lost or deliberately destroyed.

Harry Truman announced in 1950 that he would build a library and Congress passed the Presidential Libraries Act in 1955, creating the modern Presidential Library system, starting with Herbert Hoover. Nixon’s library was assimilated into the system after his death. At the time of his resignation, presidential papers were private property and did not have to be turned over to the nation. The 1978 Presidential Records Act changed that and the Supreme Court ruled that Nixon’s papers and tapes had to be turned over to the Archivist of the United States. Congress provided funds in 2006 to move the Nixon records from College Park, Maryland, to the Richard Nixon Library and Birthplace in Yorba Linda, California.

Presidential libraries are repositories for the papers and records generated by a president during his term in office. They are also museums, conference facilities, classrooms and gift shops. The presidents select the location of their libraries and are responsible to raise funds for their construction and maintenance.

Funding begins with a private foundation that raises money for the building and an endowment to run special programs and exhibits. Once the building is dedicated, the National Archives and Records Administration takes it over and runs it, paying for staff and maintenance.

When you visit a Presidential Library, you are more likely to tour the museum than the library itself, though presidential papers are accessible to anyone who fills out a researcher application. The museums change exhibits on a regular basis. The main portion is dedicated to the president’s life and times. Other rooms feature special exhibits that vary widely. The museums are not non-partisan; they are dedicated to telling the president’s side of the story. The nationwide network of libraries is administered by the Office of Presidential Libraries, which is part of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), located in College Park, MD.

Here is the current list of Presidential Libraries –

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Quick question – Where do you think President Barack Obama will choose to build his Library?
**Friends of the Library Book Sale**  Morro Bay Community Center  
April 26  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (9 a.m. Early entrance for Members only; 1—2 p.m. $3 per bag sale)

**Book Discussion Group**  
**Wednesdays, 10a.m.—Noon**  
**May 7, The Dovekeepers** by Alice Hoffman  
**May 14, Wild—from Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail** by Cheryl Strayed  
**May 21, Shadow Tag** by Louise Erdrich  
**May 28, 4th Wednesdays Mystery Readers Gun Games** by Faye Kellerman  
**June 4, The Secret Keeper** by Kate Morton  
**June 11, The Fault in Our Stars** by John Green  
**June 18, The Obituary Writer** by Ann Hood  
**June 25, 4th Wednesdays Mystery Readers, The Rembrandt Affair** by Daniel Silva  
**July 2, Life After Life** by Kate Atkinson  
**July 9, The Invisible Bridge—Part I-III** by Julie Orringer  
**July 16, The Invisible Bridge—Part IV-End** by Julie Orringer  
**July 23, 4th Wednesdays Mystery Readers, The Silent Wife** by A.S.A. Harrison  
**Note:** Once the library closes for the Remodel Project, the Book Discussion Group will meet in the Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce Conference Room, 695 Harbor St., MB

**North Coast Writer's Club**  
**3rd Saturday of every month**  
10 a.m. – Noon  
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.

**MBFOL Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Friday, May 9, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**  
Friends members and guests are welcome to attend and listen to Board business.

**Percussion Circle**  
**with Tom Mears, Certified Drum Therapist**  
**Saturday, May 17th, 1-2 p.m.**  
Come have fun playing drums & percussion while learning about rhythm & music. Ages 6 and up. Limited attendance of 10 people. Registration required, call 772-6394.

**Pre-School Storytime**  
**Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.**  
Join us as we learn numbers, letters, stories and songs!

*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.*
Book Sale Report from Laurie Allen

I am happy to announce that the upcoming book sale on April 26th will be the final sale before the Big Remodel and our last sale of the year! Be sure to be there to stock up on all the wonderful bargains we have waiting for you.

We have a large selection of cookbooks, art books, crafts, home remodeling, and all the other types of books you love to browse. From American History to Zoology, from Cars to Children’s books, it will all be there.

Thanks to everyone for the support for our sale. We will be back in 2015, as part of our new Morro Bay Library.

A special thank you to the amazing volunteers, listed elsewhere in this newsletter, for your remarkable energy and enthusiasm. No one puts on a better sale than the Morro Bay Friends of the Library volunteers!

Laurie

New Library Acquisitions

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Also new in the library: WiiU games and Blue Ray DVDs!

JOIN the Morro Bay Friends Of The Library & support your local public library!

Name___________________________________________ City/State/Zip ____________________________

Telephone________________________  Email ____________________________________________

☐ NEW  ☐ RENEWAL  ☐ Check (Payable to MBFOL)  ☐ Cash

☐ Individual $10/year  ☐ Household $20/year  ☐ Patron $50/year  ☐ Sustaining $100/year

☐ Individual Lifetime $250

☐ Business $25/year  (☐ Yes, I will offer a Library Friends Membership Benefit)

☐ Donation: $ ________________  TOTAL ENCLOSED:  $ ________________

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

Please return to:  Morro Bay Friends of the Library, 625 Harbor Street, Morro Bay, CA  93442.

MBFOL is a 501c3 nonprofit organization.

Form 1/2014
Extending VOLUMES of long OVERDUE thanks and appreciation to the STACKS of fabulous MBFOL volunteers throughout 2013 and into 2014!

CHECK IT OUT! Here are some of the many jobs performed by these MBFOL and Library volunteers:

** MBFOL Board (Officers and committee chairs)
** Remodel Committee
** Donor Committee
** Special Events
** Membership Lovely Library Lobby Ladies
** Book shelving
** Story Time
** Quarterly Book Sales
* Sorting all donated materials
* Packing materials for sales
* Printing flyers
* Distributing flyers
* Contacting volunteers to work, which include:
  - Muscle men
  - Set up crew
  - Day of sale helpers
  - Membership table
  - Day of sale cashiers
  - Tear down crew

(Our apologies to anyone whose name has been inadvertently omitted.)

We’d love to see YOUR name on this list next year! We are always looking for volunteers for any of the areas listed at the left. In particular, we are also looking for volunteers for the following events:

** Staff the Chamber of Commerce table at the Morro Bay Farmer’s Market & promote the MBFOL
** Staff a MBFOL table at the Morro Bay Green Light Eco-Faire on Sunday, June 1
** Serve on a committee to plan the Re-Opening Celebration following the Remodel Project

To volunteer, please contact info@mbfol.org.
THANK YOU to our Business Members:

**Pet Care Service**  
_In-Home Loving & Reliable Care for Your Cat or Dog_  
**Randi Yorita**  
Morro Bay  541-261-9973

**Gardens by Gabriel**  
**Morro Bay Drug & Gift**  
**Nancy E. Loe, MA MLS**

**Holistic Movement Center**  
**Aloha Shirt Shop**  
**Bay Cruisers**  
**Clayworks Pottery**

**Beads by the Bay**  
**Tribe Elation**  
**The Shell Shop, Inc.**  
**Sarah Ketchum, Edward Jones**

**Jennifer Redman, Edward Jones**  
**Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce**  
**Bob Gayle, Reverse Mortgage Consultant**  
**Sherry Sim—Sims & Company**  
**Nick Hall, Coldwell Banker**  
**Eckles Wealth Management, Inc.**  
**Coalesce Bookstore and Garden Chapel**  
**Pedersen Realty & Property Management**

**Independent Order of Odd Fellows (Bay Rock Lodge #300)**

**These businesses offer a Member Benefit.**
Upcoming Book Sale:
April 26, 2014
at Morro Bay
Community Center
9-10 am Members Only (join at the door)
10am-2pm Public Sale; 1-2 pm $3 bag sale

Please keep us current with addresses and email changes. If you have an email and would prefer to receive newsletters online, please let us know. Choosing the email option for newsletters saves the Friends $5 a year per membership! Send changes to info@mbfol.org.

Your email is confidential and will not be shared.