THOSE WHO CAN, DO.
THOSE WHO CAN DO MORE, VOLUNTEER.

Volumes of thanks to our valued volunteers…

The following volunteers, listed alphabetically by last name, gave their time, energy, and enthusiasm to the success of our September 2018 & recent March 2019 Book Sales. Whether you worked one or both of the successful sales, you have a SPECIAL PAGE in MBFOL’s BOOK!

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A sincere apology to anyone whose name has inadvertently been left off of the list.

Joan Petersen
MBFOL Volunteer Coordinator
Book Sales
Introducing Rhonda Crowfoot, Morro Bay’s Newest Librarian!

You may have noticed a new staff member at Morro Bay Library. Rhonda Crowfoot joined the Morro Bay Library team as a Library Associate III last January.

Prior to becoming a librarian, Rhonda worked in the entertainment industry. Rhonda laughingly describes her job with two major studios as “so far behind the scenes that I worked in a cold, dark room all by myself”. Nevertheless, she enjoyed her position working in post-production, transferring film and video and printing dailies where she used many cutting-edge technologies.

Rhonda eventually grew tired of her L.A. commute and enrolled in a library tech program at Long Beach City College. She subsequently worked as a medical librarian for Long Beach Memorial Medical Center. However, the Central Coast beckoned, and nine years ago she and her husband relocated. Rhonda began splitting time between the Shell Beach and Arroyo Grande branches, before happily transferring to the Morro Bay branch where she can now walk to work.

Rhonda’s favorite part of the job is helping patrons successfully locate the exact item they’re seeking.

When she’s not at the Library, Rhonda enjoys running and spending time with her dog. She and her husband are committed to rescuing older dogs. She is still a movie buff, and, naturally she also enjoys reading, especially science fiction/fantasy, horror and mysteries.

The next time you’re at the Library, stop by and introduce yourself, and, if you’re looking for a specific item, remember – you can always say “Help me Rhonda! Help, help me Rhonda!”

Among Friends is distributed to all MBFOL members (over 500 households). We encourage submissions of library-related material. Please contact Natalie Ramos, Editor, for deadlines. 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 of the Library or the editors.
A Message From Our President: Andy Usher

It's Not Your Grandfather's Public Library Anymore

One of the unexpected pleasures of becoming president of Morro Bay Friends of the Library last year was to discover many wonderful resources available to our library card holders that go far beyond what are considered traditional library services.

In addition to many interesting and educational events, our library and the SLO library system offer a number of remarkable resources you might not be aware of.

For example, did you know our Morro Bay branch offers a Seed Library? I didn’t! Check it out: https://www.slolibrary.org/index.php/adults/seed-libraries. And while you’re on the Seed Library page, click the center-right tab labeled “Tutorials” where you’ll find a long list of tutorials on everything from Internet basics to Microsoft Office basics to car repair.

Another fascinating resource is Innovation Station MakerKits https://my.nicheacademy.com/countyofslopubliclibrariesmakerkits If you’re looking for a new hobby, a pathway to a new creative career, or just want to sharpen your artisan skills by incorporating state-of-the-art technology, this is the place for you. And it’s all free! Here’s an overview of the program: https://my.nicheacademy.com/countyofslopubliclibrariesmakerkits/course/6077

I’ve just scratched the surface. Other offerings include access to Chromebook devices, digital library downloads of all types, and for film buffs like me, extensive Audio Visual resources: https://www.slolibrary.org/index.php/audio-visual

All are accessible through our Morro Bay Library website https://www.slolibrary.org/index.php/about/locations/morro-bay-library or just by asking one of our helpful librarians for assistance.

Please "Like" our page (Morro Bay Friends of the Library) and you can follow all the latest news and updates from the Friends!

Next Book Sale Sept 28, 2019
Did You Know Morro Bay Has a Seed Library?

All you need is a library card and you can check out some seeds from the Morro Bay Library to grow veggies or beautiful flowers. Simply check out the seeds, take them home, and plant. If you let the plants go to seed please collect some and return to the library. This is not a requirement but is appreciated.

Local artists show their work after hours at Art After Dark in the library. A fun way to see a diverse collection of artists and styles.
**Spring/Summer Events**

**May, June - July, August & ongoing programs on the next page**

- **Altered Star Wars Book Craft**
  Saturday, 5/4, 12:00, All Ages

- **Learn All About Medicare**
  Thursday, 5/9, 2:30-4:30, Adults

- **Make & Take Craft with Ms. Kaela**
  Wednesday, 5/8, 3:30

- **Ballet Folklorico de Cal Poly**
  Saturday, 5/11, 1:00, All ages

- **Movie in the Library**
  Saturday, 5/11, 1:00, All ages

- **Write a Letter to the Troops**
  Saturday, 5/18

- **Asian Influence on the North Coast**
  With Dan Krieger
  Saturday, 5/18, 1:00, All ages

- **Brown Act Presentation**
  With Attorney Sally LaMacchia
  Thursday, 5/23, 3:30, Adults

- **Centennial Movie in the Library**
  *Pollyanna*, Starring Mary Pickford
  This is a silent movie, Sat, 5/25, 1:00, Adults

- **Summer Reading Begins!**
  Saturday, 6/1

- **Taiko Drummers**
  Saturday, 6/1, 12:00, All ages

- **Fused Glass with Sheri Klein**
  Fri, 6/7, 1:00, Adults, Registration required

- **Hearst & the Hollywood Connection**
  Saturday, 6/8, 1:00, All ages

- **Make & Take Craft with Ms. Kaela**
  Wednesday, 6/12, 3:30

- **Casada de Flores**
  Wednesday, 6/12, 2:30, All ages

- **Hearst Castle Virtual Tour**
  Saturday, 6/15, 2:30, All ages

- **Teen Liquid Nitro Ice Cream**
  Saturday, 6/15, 2:30, Ages 10-17

- **Zoo to You**
  Wednesday, 6/19, 2:30, All ages

- **Movie in the Library**
  *A Star is Born*
  Thursday, 6/20, 1:00, Adults

- **Teen Silver Earrings Program**
  Saturday, 6/22, 2:00, Ages 13-18

- **Pacific Wildlife**
  Wednesday, 6/26, 2:30, All ages

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**NEW**

**MB LIBRARY HOURS**

**SUNDAY/MONDAY CLOSED**

**TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY 10 - 6**

**THURS - SAT 10 - 5**

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Thank you for your interest and support. Follow MBFOL news, join our membership, and donate online at:

mbfol.org

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July & August

John Weaver Storytelling from Around the World
Wednesday, 7/10, 2:30, All ages

Red, White, & Blue Sundaes
Saturday, 7/3, 12:00, All ages

Chris Lopez Magic Show
Wednesday, 7/17, 2:30, All Ages

Make & Take Craft with Ms. Kaela
Wednesday, 7/10, 3:30

Movie in the Library
The Bookshop, Thurs, 7/18, 1:00, Adults

Millie Chalk - Wire Wrapping
Friday, 7/19, 1:00, Adults, 15 max

1930s Fashion/Hearst Castle Living History
Saturday, 7/20, 1:00, All ages

Mad Science L.A.
Wednesday, 7/24, 2:30, All Ages

Summer Reading Ends
Saturday, 7/27

Art with Ingrid Goelz
Saturday, 8/10, 1:00

Make & Take Craft with Ms. Kaela
Wednesday, 8/14, 3:30

Movie in the Library
Bohemian Rhapsody
Thursday, 8/15 1:00, Adults

Family Movie in the Library
The House with a Clock in its Walls
Saturday, 7/24, 1:00

For additional info on any of these programs please contact Morro Bay Library

Ongoing Programs

For Kids

Free Lunches
For children 0-18
Every Tues, Wed, Thur 12:30-1:30
June 11 - July 25

Toddler Storytime with Miss Kaela
Tuesdays, 10:30 am, Hula Storytime 5/7

Make & Take Craft
Every second Wednesday, 3:30

Library Legos
Every fourth Wednesday, 3:30

Paws to Read
Every second Friday, Come in and read to Carly 4:00

For Adults

E-Device Class & Basic Computer Class
Thursdays, 8:30-10:00 am (Canceled 6/27)

Chair Yoga
Tuesdays, 11:30

Book Discussion Group
Every first & third Wednesday of the month
10:00 am

Meditation
Fridays, 10:30 - 12:00 (Canceled 5/3)
First & third Friday led by Ruth Cherry

North Coast Writers
Every third Saturday, 10:00 - 12:00

Fibromyalgia Support Group
Every fourth Wednesday, 11:00-12:00
One cannot think about MBFOL’s March 23, 2019 Book Sale without B.J Thomas’s lyrics “Raindrops Keep Fallin’ On My Head” coming to mind. Taking some liberty with his lyrics, “raindrops indeed were falling on the EZ-Ups and the double-wrapped protective tarps on the patio” that morning before the 9:00 am scheduled opening. “Nothing seemed to fit” with what had been forecast for that day! Every effort was made to make the patio drier, but as the opening time drew nearer, “raindrops continued to fall on the patio and even on the heads of gathering patrons.” A tough decision had to be made by our Book Sale Coordinator Laurie Allen, which turned out to be the right decision..... The book-laden tables covered with multiple tarps would remain off limits throughout the entire sale!

At 9:00 am our patient patrons streamed into the Program Room, a section of the Lobby and the Book Store to shop.... and shop they did, even in close quarters! Valued volunteers played a monitoring and adjusting game throughout the sale in an effort to keep the tables filled with as much variety as possible. By 2:00 pm closing time, the clouds that had “sent a blue mood to meet us” in the morning had vanished and the welcoming sun had taken their place. Another group of valued volunteers, including our mighty muscle men, were on hand to help put the library lobby and Program Room back together as well as return items to the book room and all other supplies to the storage shed.

It was then that “happiness had stepped up to greet us” as we realized that MBFOL volunteers had put on a highly successful book sale, considering the circumstances. But it would not have been possible without a very supportive Library staff, a treasured community of customers, and a large number of tireless volunteers who put their heart and soul into working a book sale! For that we are most grateful!!

Joan Petersen
MBFOL Volunteer Coordinator- Book Sales

THE SALE MUST GO ON...

Thank you to all the supporters of SLO Library Foundation who raised funds for the Librarian of City of SLO’s first Carnegie Public Library, to finally have a headstone. Frances Margaret Milne was a woman ahead of her time in the early 20th Century—a celebrated poet and proactive suffragette supporter of the single tax movement.
The Touch a Truck event in April was a big hit. Over 600 people attended! Who doesn’t love a big truck?

**MBFOL BOARD MEETING DATES 2019**
- May 10
- July 12
- September 13
- November 8

All take place at the library at 11:30
Everyone Welcome!

**BOOK SALE**
- Members Only Sale 9 a.m.-10 a.m. (Join at the door!)
- Public Sale 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- $3/Bag Sale 12 p.m.-1 p.m.

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The Morro Bay Library has a **Chromebook** available for your use in the Library. You can use the device for up to 2 hours in the Library. Sit comfortably in any spot in the Library and browse the internet! You will need to sign a Chromebook Policy before your first use, but once you have that on file, you can use any of the Chromebooks available in all the branches throughout the county.

**TECH CORNER**

The Black Gold Library System has **135 Hot Spot devices** available for patrons to check out for one week at a time. If you are going on a trip and want to take along free wi-fi access with you, check out a Hot Spot for unlimited use with your laptop or mobile devices during a one-week period. There is a waiting list, but with so many devices available, it moves quickly. To request a Hot Spot device, just request it as you would a regular book in the Library.

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What is Zip Books?

**Zip Books** is an innovative alternative to traditional interlibrary loan. You may request a book or an audiobook that is not available through the County of San Luis Obispo Public Libraries to be delivered to your home, free of charge.

To be eligible:

- The book must not be available in the County of SLO Public Libraries
- The book must be available through Amazon, and cost no more than $35 (pre-tax)
- Your account must be in good standing, with no outstanding Zip Books items.

Interested?

Please fill out our ‘Suggest a Purchase/Zip Books’ form online or at the County of SLO Public Libraries. We will contact you with more information.

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Have you considered becoming a **Lifetime Member** of the Morro Bay Friends of the Library? We currently have 170+ Lifetime Members, and we’d love to add you to the list!

What does it mean for you? It means no more renewing your membership every year, and it means a tax-deductible donation of $250. What does it mean for the Friends? It saves us the administrative cost of maintaining renewals, and it provides funds to help us sustain the many programs and resources available at the Morro Bay Library! You can use the form below to become a Friend for Life!!

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

Name________________________________________________________

Address___________________________________ 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.

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September 28, 2019 
At the Morro Bay Library 
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10am-1pm Public Sale 
$3/Bag Sale 12pm-1pm

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.