INTRODUCING KRISTIN NIBBE, MORRO BAY’S NEW BRANCH MANAGER!

Kristin’s background
Born and raised in Santa Barbara, I happened into this area while attending Cal Poly. After graduation, I joined the group of Poly alumni who use their “learn by doing” education but have branched out into other fields.

Kristin’s history with the SLO Library system
Serendipity brought me to the library system. Originally, I worked part time at Morro Bay and part time at Los Osos. When a promotion opportunity arose at Los Osos, I transferred to full time at that branch. I have had the privilege of learning from a variety of different managers. Over the past nineteen years, I progressed from a Library Technician Aid, to managing the branch.

Kristin has some great fresh ideas/thoughts/plans for the MB library
Through evaluation and restructuring of the workroom, I hope to alleviate some of the daily routine tasks and make it possible for the crew to be out among the public more.

I strive to create empowerment in the use of all the library system has to offer, and I enjoy teaching. I want people to be able to go to their computer and place their hold at 2am, when they finally remember that title. The self-check system is magic, and I enjoy introducing people to it. Can’t find a title in our system? Use Zip Books to get what you want. Do people know that they can study for their DMV test through the databases? How about learn a language? Traveling, check out Global Road Warrior. Need a new author, go to Novelist. The libraries also have Maker Kits, so people can delve into virtual reality, or even check out a sewing machine!

Over the years, I often wished for access to a program room. Now that I have the use of one, I’m going to see about what can be brought to the branch, for this community. One new program will be a quarterly Read Together. It is a lot of fun to participate in these table reads of popular scripts. I would like to bring a virtual reality program to the branch. I might even tap my parents, who are both artists, for a program.

Kristin’s personal pleasures
On my vacations, I can be found between 30 and 100 feet doing a bit of SCUBA diving. I’m a scifi/fantasy fan who also enjoys a light mystery. Recently, I have come to appreciate Lee Child / Jack Reacher. Recorded books were my go-to for my many years of commuting from Creston. I keep my Poly degree, dusted off though my care of seven horses, two goats and two dogs.
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**Our Mission**

To benefit the public by providing financial and volunteer support to the Morro Bay Library.

**Morro Bay Library Branch Manager**

Branch Manager—Kristin Nibbe, 805-772-6394  
knibbe@slolibrary.org

**Library Information**

625 Harbor Street, Morro Bay, CA  93442  
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Hours:  
Tues. 10am—6pm  
Wed. 10am—6pm  
Thurs.-Sat. 10am—5pm  
Sun/Mon—Closed

**Among Friends Newsletter**

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.

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**MBFOL Annual Membership Meeting**

**Friday, November 8**  
11:30 at the Morro Bay Library

Please join us for our Annual Membership Meeting followed by refreshments. The meeting will include:

◊ President’s Report for 2019  
◊ Vote on proposed new bylaws  
◊ Election of 2020 Board Members/Officers

The current candidates for 2020 MBFOL Board of Directors are as follows:

**Position**  
**Candidate**

President  
Jan Goldman

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Natalie Ramos

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Susan McElhinney

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Jude Long (Publicity)  
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Joan Petersen (Volunteers)  
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Jane Heath (Foundation Rep)  
Natalie Ramos (Newsletter)  
Betsy Kinter  
Astrid Brown

*Once elected, the new president will appoint committee chairs. The committee chair appointments listed above are the anticipated appointments for 2020.

If you have an interest in running for a position, please contact Joan Petersen at info@mbfol.org.

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Shop through AMAZON-SMILE using smile.amazon.com and search for MBFOL. Naming the Friends as your charity will give us a percentage of every purchase you make. Just one more way to support your local Library!
This summer we had to say farewell to our wonderful branch manager, Mary Blair. Mary was a well-loved fixture in our library for over two decades and she will be missed, but you can now find her in the Los Osos branch lending her special touch there. She is pictured here with her parting gift from the Morro Bay Friends of the Library.

Keep your eyes open for our new STEAM program for kids! What a wonderful opportunity for fun & learning.

Also, don’t forget the library also offers free streaming services & ebooks with your library card. Check the website for all the options or ask a librarian.
In addition, there is an opportunity to always find great bargains every day that the library is open in the Friends' well-stocked Book Store. You'll find hard back and paper back fiction, non-fiction, cookbooks, children's, home, gardening and many other subjects you love to browse as well as magazines and AV materials. Do check out our jewel tucked in an alcove across from the circulation desk! Book bags and special T-shirts are also available for sale there. Please continue to donate your gently used books, current magazines, as well as DVD's, audio books on CD and music CDs only that are in good condition. (Sorry, no cassettes or VHS.) Many thanks to everyone for your continued support of our book sales and book store. The money we raise provides programs and materials for everyone!
October Events

Schedule subject to change. Please check with the library.

Manhattan Short Film Festival
Thursday, 10/3, 1-3pm

Community Drum Circle
Saturday, 10/5, 10:30, All ages

Family Movie: The Neverending Story
Saturday, 10/5, 1:00, All ages

Music with Mini Melodies
Saturday, 10/5, 3:30, Ages 6 and under

Read Together (Readers’ Theater)
Agatha Christie’s A Caribbean Mystery
Wednesday, 10/9, 10:00, All ages

Rick Bruce Magic
Saturday, 10/12, 11:00, All ages

Home Brew
Saturday, 10/12, 1-4pm, Adults only

HiCap Medicare
Wednesday, 10/16, 2:00, Adults only

Movie: Robin Hood
Thursday, 10/17, 1:00, Adults only

Amish Rug Making Part 1
Friday, 10/18, 1-4pm, Adults only

Ask Sabrina - Old World Tarot
Saturday, 10/19, 1:00

Teen Henna
Saturday, 10/19, 2:30, Ages 10-17

Amish Rug Making Part 2
Friday 10/25, 1-4pm, Adults only

Adult Art with Lauren
Saturday, 10/26, 10:00

Bat Program
Saturday, 10/26, 1:00, All ages
An Event Calendar for the entire San Luis Obispo County Library system can be found at slolibrary.org

November

**Family Paint with Ki**
Saturday, 11/2, 11:00

**John Lindsey, Meteorologist**
Tuesday, 11/5, 4:30

**Community Drum Circle**
Saturday, 11/9, 10:30

**Adult Craft with Debbie**
Saturday, 11/16, 1:00

**Special Centennial Movie: Last of the Mohicans, from 1919**
Saturday, 11/16, 1:00

**Adult Art with Lauren**
Saturday, 11/23, 10:00

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

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

Please "Like" our page (Morro Bay Friends of the Library) and you can follow all the latest news and updates from the Friends!
MBFOL, once again, sponsored four great field trips earlier this year! Two classes each of energetic Del Mar 3rd and 5th graders enjoyed a host of activities, and, of course, a visit to the library just in time to promote the Summer Reading Program.

Designed to encourage lifelong library use, along with appreciation of our incredible local natural beauty and weather, students first enjoyed a well-loved trolley ride to their Embarcadero locations.

3rd graders began their adventure walking the Boardwalk to the Rock, where state park docents had several super fun interactive stations set up. Students learned plenty about our natural history and wildlife from the knowledgeable experts up close!

5th graders were treated to a guided tour of all the vessels at the Maritime Museum, as another group of incredible docents welcomed many questions and gave students great examples of our local maritime history. Apparently several students brought their families back later for a visit!

Each class continued their field trip activities with another trolley ride up the hill to the library. Youth Services Librarian Kaela Popovich Villalobos led the tours and talks with students getting a real feel about our library and its many offerings and resources, HUGE THANKS to all the library staff and our awesome volunteers for creating a wonderful experience for all!

MBFOL is looking forward to our next round of Del Mar Dolphins in 2020 - Stay tuned!

Some of the wonderful programs MB Friends have sponsored this year:

- FUSED GLASS
- TAIKO DRUMMERS
- LECTURES
- PACIFIC WILDLIFE
- ART WITH INGRID
- ZOO IN THE LIBRARY
- TOUCH A TRUCK
- COMMUNITY DRUM CIRCLE
- CONCERTS
- MAD SCIENCE
- MAGIC SHOW
- STORYTELLING
- ICE CREAM MAKING
- BOOK DISCUSSION

AND SO MUCH MORE...
IT'S A TEAM EFFORT!

Collaboration with the community is an important part of the library providing services to the whole community, even outside our building. This year, the Morro Bay Parks and Recreation Department (Angelica Gallardo) worked with our Morro Bay Youth Librarian to host 3 of the 6 largest summer programs at the local community center, located across the street from the library. Each of the programs was attended by more than 200 people, and books were graciously donated from the Friends of the Morro Bay Library, so each child was able to take a free book home with them after each of the programs. Our families were excited about the program, and about getting to take a book home for each child. We are planning to continue this partnership with the Morro Bay Parks & Recreation in the future for our Summer Programming, we feel we were able to reach a larger audience and the donated space was the perfect size to fit everyone who wanted to attend the programs.

Kaela Popovich Villalobos, Youth Librarian

We couldn't keep doing what we do without you!
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.

**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 $75 (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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☐ 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.

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☐ Book Sale  ☐ Fundraising  ☐ Membership  ☐ Publicity  ☐ Special Events

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**Book Sale:**

**September 28, 2019**

**at the Morro Bay Library**

- **9-10 am** Members Only (join at the door)
- **10am-1pm** Public Sale
- **$3/Bag Sale 12pm-1pm**

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