



A newsletter for friends and patrons of the Del Mar Library Fall 2015

It's Not All About the Money When It Comes to Friends' Donations

'Tis the season for ghouls, gremlins and giving--to the Del Mar Friends of the Library, that is. And believe it or not, you may not even have to write a check.

For example, you can use your airline or credit card points to buy magazine and/or newspaper subscriptions for the library. Contact branch manager Polly Cipparrone for details. Or once you've seen that new DVD or heard that audio book, don't let them collect dust on your shelves. Donate them to the Friends so they can be resold. Please limit donations to items that are in good condition.

If you have some spare time, why not consider volunteering? The library can always use some extra

hands to stack books and empty book bins. Your commitment need be as little as an hour a week. Currently 45 volunteers help out at the library, shelving books and emptying book bins, helping students with homework and even doing story times. "We try to incorporate their interests with library needs," says branch manager Polly Cipparrone.

If you've got some spare cash in your charitable trust, why not consider giving it to the Friends? Our tax ID number is 95-3786768, and the Friends' address is P.O. Box 993, Del Mar CA 92014.

The Friends are hoping to raise funds to replace six soiled upholstered chairs with Craftsman-style wood chairs similar to others

Email Alerts

Want advance notice of library programs? Send your email address to the library, and we'll send you alerts to upcoming programs. librarian@friendsofdelmarlibrary.org

in the library. Two donors have already pledged funds for two chairs, so if you'd like to have a plaque on a library chair, consider giving the \$1,000 to purchase the chair. Of course, any contribution is welcome.

And if you haven't renewed your Friends' membership this year, now is the perfect time. Your renewal form is on the back of this newsletter. Please include your email address, as we hope to contact members by email in the very near future.

And thank you in advance for whatever donation you choose to make. ▣

Scammers Target Trusting Seniors

More and more San Diegans, especially seniors, are the targets of common scams, warned San Diego Deputy District Attorney Paul Greenwood.

He should know. He's headed up the Elder Abuse Unit of the office since 1995. In a recent program at the library sponsored by Del Mar Community Connections, he spoke

to about 40 residents who turned out for his recent talk as part of San Diego County's Safe Seniors "Don't Get Hooked" campaign.

Scammers target seniors because they're often isolated, too trusting and vulnerable. Far too many seniors fall victim to the "Grandparent" scam and sweepstakes and lottery scams. In the former, a fake

grandchild asks for money to be paid through Western Union or MoneyGram and warns the grandparent not to tell anyone. In the sweepstakes and lottery scams, seniors are told they need to make a payment to receive their "prize money."

Unfortunately, scammers also target seniors through telemarketing, investment schemes and door-to-door

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New Book Club Meets on Fridays

A new book club with a twist is meeting on Friday afternoons at the Del Mar Library.

Instead of picking a single book, members select a theme for the month with suggested books. The theme in October is "Let's Dance: Books By or About Professional Dancers." Suggested titles include:

- *Life in Motion--An Unlikely Ballerina* by Misty Copeland
- *Taking Flight: From War Orphan to Star Ballerina* by Michaela De Prince
- *Fosse* by Sam Wasson
- *No Way Home: A Dancer's Journey from the Streets of Havana to the Stages of the World* by Carlos Acosta
- *Taking the Lead: Lessons from a Life in Motion* by Derek Hough
- *Puttin' on the Ritz: Fred Astaire and the Fine Art of Panache* by Peter Levinson
- *In Balanchine's Company: A Dancer's Memoir* by Barbara Milberg Fisher

In September, the "Women in Rock" theme sparked these titles:

- *Simple Dreams: a Musical Memoir* by Linda Ronstadt
- *Just Kids* by Patti Smith
- *Be My Baby: How I Survived Mascara, Miniskirts and Madness or My Life as a Fabulous Ronette* by Ronnie Spector
- *Clothes, Clothes, Clothes, Boys, Boys, Boys, Music, Music, Music* by Viv Albertine
- *Neon Angel: A Memoir of a Runaway* by Cherie Currie with Tony O'Neil
- *Rat Girl* by Kristin Hersh

Members can read one of the suggested books or any other book related to the theme of that month.

The club meets at 2 p.m. on Oct. 22 and will pick up again in January. ■

Library Closed for Holidays

All San Diego County Library branches will be closed Nov. 11 for Veteran's Day and Nov. 26 and Nov. 27 in observance of Thanksgiving.

- Use credit cards instead of debit cards because they offer more protection from fraudulent purchases.
- Be skeptical of all unsolicited offers.

If you have elderly relatives and friends, pay particular attention to sudden changes in their routines, such as atypical withdrawals from bank accounts, unnecessary home repairs and unusual purchases.

For more about the county Safe Seniors campaign and tips to prevent elder abuse, go to www.SafeSeniorsSanDiego.org.

And be sure to check the library web site for other upcoming programs at the library sponsored by Del Mar Community Connections. ■



Library staff members celebrated the retirement of Linda Farmer in September. Ms. Farmer, a Library Technician I, had been with the Del Mar branch for 11 years.

New Films Selected for 'Print Goes to the Movies'

"Print Goes to the Movies" has selected the following films for its Friday afternoon book/movie club:

Oct. 9: "The Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio," came out in 2005 and stars Julianne Moore, Woody Harrelson and Laura Dern. The movie is based on the memoir of the same name by Terry Ryan, daughter of Evelyn Ryan, who entered contests to support her family.

Nov. 13: "The Hundred Foot Journey," a comedy directed by Lasse Hallstrom, stars Oscar winner Helen Mirren as the proprietor of a French restaurant faced with competition from Maison Mumbai, a new restaurant opened by Indian immigrants. The movie was based on the 2010 novel by Richard Moral and produced by Steven Spielberg and Oprah Winfrey.

Dec. 11: "This Is Where I Leave You" is based on the book of the same title by Jonathan Tropper, who also wrote the screenplay. Four siblings gather at their mother's home after their father dies to sit shiva. Shawn Levy directed Jane Fonda as the matriarch dealing with her adult children, including Jason Bateman and Tina Fey. Rose Byrne and Connie Britton also star as love interests of two of the siblings. ■

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solicitation. It is estimated that one in 13 older persons will be abused, neglected or financially exploited.

The best way to prevent yourself from being a victim is to stay alert. And if you have senior relatives or friends who are cognitively declining or lonely, you might want to talk to them about these persistent scams.

To protect yourself, keep these tips in mind:

- Don't answer the door to strangers, even if they're in uniform. Tell the stranger you will call 911.
- Use direct deposit for benefit checks.
- Never give information about your credit cards, checking account, Social Security, Medicare or other personal information over the phone unless you initiated the call.

Friends Express Books Coming This Fall

As part of its support for the Del Mar Library, each month Friends members select and purchase books to add to the Friends Express Collection. The books may be checked out for one week, with a one-week renewal. Coming this fall are:

- *Everybody Rise* by Stephanie Clifford
- *Four Week Fiancé* by J.S. Cooper
- *Friction* by Sandra Brown
- *The Girl in the Spider's Web* by David Lagercrantz
- *Girl Waits with Gun* by Amy Stewart
- *Marriage of Opposites* by Alice Hoffman
- *My Pantry* by Alice Waters (nonfiction)
- *The Pope's Daughter* by Dario Fo
- *Running Wild* by Susan Andersen
- *Trap* by Robert K. Tanenbaum
- *A Window Opens* by Elisabeth Egan
- *The Woman with a Secret* by Sophia Hannah ■

Afternoon Programs for Kids and Teens

Starting at 3:15 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, a host of programs is being offered for kids and teens this fall:

Tuesdays: "Homework Help" with Torrey Pines High School students.

1st Wednesday: "STEM&M," science and math for kindergarten through sixth grade.

2nd Wednesday: "Books and Art"

3rd Wednesday: "Science Fun"

4th Wednesday: "Jigsaw Puzzle Club" with Ms. Gretchen

1st and 3rd Thursdays: Toddler Art

2nd and 4th Thursdays: WonderWorks: Math and Science

Yoga for All Ages

Adult yoga: 12 p.m., Tuesdays with Lynne Truong

Chair yoga: 12 p.m. Wednesdays with Dr. Ann Clark. Yoga mats are optional. Due to limited space, please register in advance by calling the library at 858-755-1666.

Baby yoga: 10 a.m. with Arianna for pre-walking infants on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays. ■

President's Corner

Dear Friends,

The Del Mar Library increased the number of programs for children, teens and adults by 47 percent this past fiscal year that ended in June. Circulation was up 7.3 percent in 2014-15 year, and attendance at library programs increased 22.5 percent. Thanks to the County Library system's increase in the book budget, there are many new children's book titles and replacements of old favorites that were worn out.

Friends' donations continue to fund new books in the Friends Express collection, as well as programs, newspapers, and magazines. For example, 44 viewers were on hand to see "The Ghost Mountain Experiment," a one-hour PBS television special. This was the last episode of Huell Howser's "California's Gold" series that was never broadcast.

Our library continues to need new furniture. The Friends Board of Directors decided to add six new chairs for the large conference table. For \$1,000 we are offering a plague to honor a donor or family member. So, please let us know if you are interested by contacting me at 858-755-4654.

Pat Freeman,
President

Library to Host Flamenco Performance

Friends of the Del Mar Library are sponsoring a flamenco dance performance. Husband and wife Luis and Juanita Gallardo will dance the flamenco at 6 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 29. Flamenco is the traditional dance of southern Spain.



Many thanks to library patrons for the 7,500 stuffed animals donated in conjunction with the Care & Share Program developed by Nancy Stoke for the San Diego County Fair. Maleah Neary, 6, helped sort some of the donations, which were given to Rady Children's Hospital, Hospital Infantil, and Children's Lifeline International.

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Library Hours

Monday Closed
Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday: 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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____ \$60 Family membership/renewal

____ \$100 Sponsor membership/renewal

____ \$300 Patron membership/renewal

____ \$1000 Corporate/Benefactor membership

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