**President’s Letter**

The issue has been with us for years—or at least since the Pacific Grove Public Library Foundation was created in 2010: What’s the difference between the Friends and the Foundation? Why should I give to the Foundation when the Friends has been good enough for 40 years? Why should I continue to give to the Friends when now there is another place to direct my Library support? Why do we need two organizations, anyway!

The situation promises to get more complicated as the funding requirements for the Library renewal project are clarified. (The Library renewal project is a major renovation of the Library’s interior, including restoring the oldest [Carnegie] portion, replacing the bathrooms, and ameliorating the degradations of the 50s and 70s expansions.) While some money is available to support this project, it is unlikely to be sufficient to meet all the needs, and a fund-raising effort is all but certain.

In June the members of the Friends Board and the members of the Foundation Board met in a retreat—for the first time—to discuss how the two organizations can better collaborate, both to remove confusion and to ensure the Library’s health today and in the long term. We agreed to consolidate some of our literature and publicity to underline that the Friends and the Foundation are partners, not competitors. One such consolidation will replace the Friends poster in the Library with a Friends/Foundation poster.

**So, what’s the takeaway? YOU DON’T HAVE TO CHOOSE.**

- Keep making your gifts to the Friends and increase the amount if you can! The Library depends on annual contributions from the Friends to buy books and materials, to support children’s reading programs, and—often—to respond to unexpected budgetary needs. In the absence of this support, there would be roughly half the number of new acquisitions, no children’s programs, and the unexpected would cripple Library operations.

- Plan your estate with the Foundation in mind! As foundations go, this one is in its infancy. With time and your bequests, its principle will build and then the income this generates will allow the Library the flexibility to become whatever the future demands.

Susan Steele

---

**The Gallery and Paintings by Nancy Hauk**

Almost 300 people attended the April 17 opening reception for the exhibition of Nancy Hauk’s paintings in the Library’s newly uncovered gallery space. It was an elegant event, with music and hors d’oeuvres. But attendees agreed that the art was the highlight, especially Nancy’s studies of the Central Coast and Monterey County missions.

During its six-week run, which closed on May 30, the exhibition was viewed with pleasure by many and set a high standard for the gallery in the future. Donations received in honor of Nancy Hauk will be put toward the complete renovation of the gallery space. Money generated from the sale of prints of Nancy’s work, donated by Steve Hauk, will add to the fund, and whatever costs remain will be covered by the Friends as part of our commitment to the Library renewal project. Donations received in honor of Nancy Hauk are listed on the next page.
Donations received in honor of Nancy Hauk

Mrs. Esther S. Anderson
Stephanie Atigh
Sarah & Soe Aung
Marsden & Elizabeth Blois
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Botsford
Robert L. Brownell, Jr
Helen Burtch
Victor Carder
Frank Casas
Colin and Katie Cho
Nina Cooke
Renee Crocker
Jane & Anthony Diamond
Sarah Diehl
Anne R. Fitzpatrick
Amy and Anne Hauk
Kimiye Kendall
Thomas and Marilyn O’Connell
Ellen Gill Pastore
Katherine Ralls
Ms. Lynn Rambach
Connie Shelstad
Torie & George Thacher
Bob and Rosemary Tintle
Dr. Rolf and Darlene Trautsch
Doris and Kerry Uyeda
Janet Whitchurch
Raleigh & Patti Wills

Business Member Spotlight

Pacific Grove Hardware, on the corner of Laurel and Forest Avenue in downtown Pacific Grove, is noteworthy for its selection per square foot of space. As hardware stores go, this one must be among the smallest. But don’t be fooled. If you need it—from light bulbs, to paint, to cleaning supplies—Pacific Grove Hardware is likely to have it. And its staff will help you find it!

The Next Art Show

On October 1, after the renovation of the gallery space is completed, a juried art show—The Edge of the Sea—will open at the Pacific Grove Library. Sponsored in part by the Friends and inspired by the work of Rachel Carson, this show will feature two-dimensional works that celebrate the natural wonder of our coastline.

If you are an artist, consider submitting an entry at www.onlinejuriedshows.com. If you aren’t an artist, be prepared to enjoy this exhibition on display between October 1 and January 3.

The opening reception will be on October 2; other events are being planned to engage members of the community in the art and its theme. A portion of the sale of the artwork will go to the Friends to support the Library.

Membership Drive

Last year, during the Friends fortieth anniversary year, we set a membership goal of 400—which we hit! Of course, not everyone renews, so we have to regularly remind members of the community about the benefits of joining the Friends for the vitality of the Library and for their own sense of commitment to a treasured local resource.

This year, the reminder will be our membership drive from September 14 to September 19. Be sure to drop by the Library to show your support—and bring along any friends who haven’t yet become members. The more members, the more we can do to keep the Library strong.

Shopping Amazon Benefits Friends

When you make a purchase from Amazon, you can designate .5 percent of the cost as a contribution to the Friends. It doesn’t add anything to the amount of your purchase; Amazon just redirects this amount to us. Information about this program can be found at www.smile.amazon.com.
News from the Library

Work is proceeding on the gallery space. The glass door is under construction and we are discussing paint and stain colors. Completion is planned for mid-September, in time for the “Edge of the Sea” exhibit opening October 2nd.

Big thanks to the Friends for the purchase of 10 Mini iPads. We will be picking them up this month, with training of staff and teens to follow. They are part of a pilot project testing the best way to get reading material to housebound seniors.

The Summer Reading program, “Read to the Rhythm,” has been a huge success this year. We have 450 children signed up at the halfway point, compared to 500 for the whole summer last year! We had 160 people attend the Fratello Marionettes, and 130 enjoyed the Magical Moonshine Theatre. Thank you to the Friends for supporting the program and providing all the performers and prizes. You’ve made many children happy readers this summer!

Library Foundation and Friends Devise New Ways to Work Together

The Library Foundation recently sponsored a joint meeting for members of the Boards of Directors of the Friends and Foundation. Using the expertise of a facilitator hired by the Foundation, board members held a wide-ranging exploration of how the two organizations can increase their abilities to support one another in their missions to aid the Library.

They reaffirmed their basic missions: the Foundation focuses on long-term support for the Library, while the Friends assists the Library with meeting its annual needs. The planned renovation of the Library is a project both boards agreed presents an opportunity to work jointly. In addition, we identified several specific ways we can better communicate the complementary purposes of our groups and explain to our community the need to support both organizations.

New Members Second Quarter

Cara Allard  
Robert Cobley  
Keith & Naomi Flickinger  
Brian George  
Jerry T. Horn  
Kevin & Wendy Howe  
Linda Jones  
Stefanie Kaku  
Roger Magyar  
Faye Mueller-Delia  
Mary Lee Newman  
Gerald & Joyce Park  
Judith Perry

New Business Members

Coastal Giclee Supplies, Dority Roofing and Solar, Farmer’s Insurance - Osio Insurance, Hauk Fine Arts, Hayward Lumber, Health and Water Store, Julia’s Vegetarian, La Piccola Casa, Linda’s Hair Styles, Mike’s Appliances, Pacific Grove Optometric Center, Precise Packaging, Inc., Shoemaker Hardwood Floors, Taste Bistro

Contributors Second Quarter

Contributors  
Jennifer Bicket-Davis  
Don & Noreen Nance  
June Duran  
Jane Leatham  
Robert and Sharon Loomis  
Roger Magyar  
Onnette McElroy  
Georgia A. Nevarez  
Chuck Posey of Precise Packaging, Inc

Donations Towards:  
gift business membership  
and donation Jon Shoemaker Hardwood Floors book fund

Contributors  
Cindie Farley  
Bill & Anita Kaplan  
Fred Wildenradt

In Memory Of  
Joe Winningham  
Our dear friend, the late Ann Sherman Flint, a great lover of books and librarians  
Phyllis Wildenradt
Current Resident or:

Mark Your Calendars:

July 22, Wednesday: Dine Out With Friends at Fish House
August 26, Wednesday: Dine Out With Friends at Los Amigos
September 10, Thursday: Meet the Author Shelly King

Mark Your Calendars:

July 22, Wednesday: Dine Out With Friends at Fish House
August 26, Wednesday: Dine Out With Friends at Los Amigos
September 10, Thursday: Meet the Author Shelly King

The Moment of Everything, a romantic comedy, tells the story of a young woman “involuntarily separated from payroll” at a Silicon Valley startup. 7:30pm at the library.

October 2, Opening Reception for Juried Art Show “The Edge of the Sea”
Inspired by the work of Rachel Carson, this show will feature two-dimensional works that celebrate the natural wonder of our coastline.

Volunteer for The Friends!
If you are interested in volunteering for Friends of the Pacific Grove Library, contact Peggy Hansen at phansen@redshift.com.

Dine Out with Friends!

July 22
Fish House
August 26
Los Amigos

Support the local businesses who support your library:
Mark Your Calendar for Meet the Author
Thursday, September 10

Meet author Shelly King at the PG Library 7:30 p.m. on September 10 with her debut novel, The Moment of Everything. The book, a romantic comedy, tells the story of a young woman “involuntarily separated from payroll” at a Silicon Valley startup. She is whiling away her days in The Dragonfly’s Used Books, a Mountain View institution, waiting for the “next big thing” to come along. The author will talk about things that inspired her novel, such as bookstore cats, a heroic bookseller who changed literature in the 20th century, and an embarrassing mistake she made as a teenager.

A native Southerner, Shelly King previously worked for a major software company as a social media strategist and information architect. Her short stories have been published in the GW Review, Epiphany, Slow Trains, the Dos Passos Review, and the Coe Review. She lives in Felton with her husband, two big dogs, and a disapproving cat.

Meet the Author: Julia Reynolds Discusses Gang-life and Community

Some 75 people gathered in the Pacific Grove Public Library May 21 to listen to Julia Reynolds, author of Blood in the Fields: Ten Years Inside California’s Nuestra Familia Gang.

According to Reynolds, the Nuestra Familia gang—with connections to Mexican drug cartels—controls the flow of illegal drugs through most of Northern California and is responsible for Monterey County leading the state in youth homicide rates. In her book, she follows gang members in and out of prison and describes the sophisticated structure of their operations.

Her motivation for studying gang life is that she believes “the killings will not stop unless the logic of the gangsters’ world is known and much, much better understood.”

Reynolds has reported on criminal justice and Northern California gangs for more than a decade. She is a former staff writer at the Monterey County Herald and has reported for PBS, the Discovery Channel, Mother Jones, the Nation, NPR, the San Francisco Chronicle, and other media.
Good-bye, Cindie; Hello, Faye

Cindie Farley resigned from the Friends Board in April to move to Sacramento. Before joining the Board, Cindie had volunteered as the proofreader of our newsletter. After joining the Board, she took over management of our website and assisted in our publicity efforts. We will miss her happy presence.

The opening on the Board created by Cindie’s departure is being filled by Faye Mueller. Faye recently retired to Pacific Grove after a long career as an educator, during which she dedicated herself to educating and serving students who have been traditionally underserved. We look forward to drawing on her experience as the Board considers the role of the Friends in the Library’s future.

A Good Cause

The Friends is now a partner with Cause Brokers, a partnership that is intended to help us increase our support for the Pacific Grove Library.

Buying or selling a home?

When you allow Cause Brokers to find you a real estate agent, Cause Brokers will donate thousands of dollars to the Friends of the Pacific Grove Public Library.

How it works:

The process is simple. Contact Cause Brokers and they will find you a REALTOR® within 24 hours. Soon after you buy or sell your home, a check equaling half a percent of the home’s sales price will be donated to the Friends of the Pacific Grove Public Library.

Check it out at:


The Friends on Facebook!

You don’t have to have a Facebook account to view our page. However, you do need to have an account to “like” our page, which will enable you to receive updates when we post something new. If you already have an account, please LIKE us, LIKE our posts and SHARE with YOUR friends. If you would like to learn how to use Facebook, contact the library to find out when they are having their next Technology Thursday.

https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfPacificGroveLibrary

Use Cause Brokers to find your Realtor® and help raise thousand$ for the Pacific Grove Public Library

HOW IT WORKS:

1. If you’re planning to buy or sell a home, use Cause Brokers to find a highly-qualified local agent.

2. At closing, we’ll donate ½ a percent of your home’s sale price to the Friends of the Pacific Grove Public Library.

3. For example, buy a $500,000 home and we’ll donate $2,500. Simple as that.

LEARN MORE:

CALL: Toll Free 855.76.CAUSE
EMAIL: info@causebrokers.com
VISIT: www.causebrokers.com