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President's Message

Everyone needs friends! They help us enjoy good times, overcome challenges and provide support when we need it most. Fortunately, the Pacific Grove Public Library has over 500 individual, family and business Friends, and you are *indispensable* (defined as "essential, necessary, all-important, vital, crucial and key") to our library's success.

As a member of the Friends you receive the satisfaction of knowing the dues you pay go directly to supporting library books and materials, programs for children, teens and adults, and other library services for readers and learners. You also receive:

- free or reduced admission to Friends Library events
- discount on Friends book sale purchases
- quarterly Friends newsletter
- invitation to Friends annual meeting
- satisfaction of supporting the PG Library
- connecting with other Library supporters
- membership decal

Your tax-deductible membership is up for renewal each January. Our dues remain the same for 2019 - \$30 per individual, \$45 per family, \$50 per business, \$100 for the Benefactor level, \$250 for the Patron level and \$2,000 for a Life Membership. We hope you will give us a head start by filling out and sending in the membership form in this newsletter with your dues. Or you can always renew online with a credit card at www.pglibraryfriends.org. Thank you!

With the holidays just around the corner, there are so many opportunities for gift-giving while helping the PG Library. You may find a gently loved treasure at the Friends First Saturday book sale on December 1. Or how about a handmade gift certificate for a future delicious "Dine Out" lunch or dinner benefitting the PG Library Friends (the last Wednesday of each month; 2019 locations and dates to be announced soon.)

Perhaps you know a book lover who would appreciate a Friends membership, or donation to the Friends of the Pacific Grove Public Library in his, hers or their name? A contribution to the PG Friends Monterey County Gives! Big Idea (more information in a following article) in honor or memory of someone special will help bring the joy of reading outdoors in 2019. And the Library Renewal Project Capital Campaign is still in need of support as the year comes to a close.

Our Annual meeting will be held at the PG Library in January date to be announced shortly. There will be a recap of the Friends 2018 activities (wow, we were busy!) and budget report, election of the Friends Board, an update on the Library Renewal Project, and a celebration of all we have accomplished together for our community. We hope to see you there!

Best wishes, and thank YOU for "friending" the PG Library.

~Kim Bui-Burton

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Business Member Spotlight

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If you have a book, memoir or life story just burning to be written, a manuscript in need of editing or marketing, or need author's assistant services, you are in luck. Park Place Publications, right here in downtown Pacific Grove, is a full-service book publisher, established in 1982 and one of the first Independent ("Indie") Publishers. Authors from throughout our region, and from around the world, rave about the expertise, full range of services, and support provided by publisher Patricia Hamilton and Associate Joyce Krieg.



Just this October Park Place Publications, with the Central Coast Writers Club, and stalwart volunteers, helped bring Pacific Grove's first "Indie Author Day" on Saturday, October 13, with workshops, speakers and "real live authors" (as one excited teen exclaimed) throughout our town. Patricia's name may also be familiar from her tireless work collecting personal, humorous and poignant stories about *Life in Pacific Grove*, in Books 1 and 2 (especially appreciated as proceeds go to the PG Library.) Thank you Patricia and Park Place Publications!



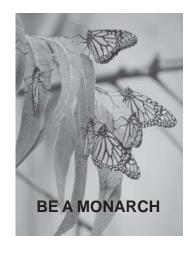
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From the Foundation

The PG Library Foundation joins the Friends in thanking the many individuals, families, foundations, businesses, and organizations who have generously supported the Library Renewal Project fundraising effort.

As some of you will remember, there was a 2001-2002 Capital Campaign for a proposed library expansion. That project had to be abandoned, but



many donors opted to leave their gifts for a future project. Those funds were invested and grew to provide the "seed money" for the present project. Some of those generous donors have also given to this year's campaign and will be recognized for their support to both campaigns.

When the Renewal Project is completed, there will be a donor recognition wall honoring the PG Public Library's "Monarchs"—those who have contributed a total of \$500 or more to one or both campaigns. Those who donate \$2,000 or more will also become Life Members of the Friends of the Library.

If you have already donated but would like to increase your gift to a higher level, please donate online at <u>pglibraryfriends.org</u> or send a check (payable to: PGPL Foundation) to P.O. Box 2025, PG CA 93950. If your cumulative gift is \$500 or more, you will become one of the Library's "Monarchs."

We thank all our donors for their commitment to renewing and maintaining Pacific Grove's historic Carnegie library, the last Carnegie building in Monterey County still serving as a library. You can take pride in helping our community leave a lasting legacy for generations to come.

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Renewal Project Update

Work on the Construction Drawings has started and will continue through early next year. Once these are completed, the City will solicit construction bids. Following the award of contract, most likely in late spring of 2019, Library services will be relocated and construction will begin. A 9-12 month closure is projected, with reopening in mid-2020.

Library staff continue to work on a plan for relocation, which will be brought to the Library Advisory Board at a special public meeting on Monday, December 10, at 7 pm at the Pacific Grove City Council Chambers, 300 Forest Avenue, and then to the City Council for approval in January 2019.

At this point a multi-faceted approach is being considered, with one or more temporary sites and programming provided at several locations in Pacific Grove. Staff are also working with the Monterey Public Library to ensure smooth coordination and continuation of library services during the construction closure.

For more information please visit the Pacific Grove Public Library website at www.pacificgrovelibrary.org/about-library/library-renewal-project

Renewal Project Fundraising

If you have been planning to contribute to this community effort but haven't yet done so, now is the time. 100% of your tax-deductible contribution will go the Renewal Project. Please help us raise the last \$23,700 of our \$2.5 million goal!

There are many ways to help:

- —check to PGPL Foundation, P. O. Box 2025, PG CA 93950 credit-card donation through www.pglibraryfriends.org
- —a pledge to donate monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually (pledge cards available at the PG Public Library) —avoid capital-gains taxes on appreciated stock by donating shares to the PGPL Foundation (this can also be done through the Donate link at www.libraryfriends.org)
- —avoid taxes on IRA distributions by donating all or part *directly* to PGPL Foundation (the tax savings is not applicable if you first receive the distribution and then donate)

We are happy to help with whichever donation method best suits your financial situation You can contact us at: foundation4pgpl@gmail.com

Please donate now and help to leave a lasting legacy for the community.

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National Friends of Libraries Week Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Pacific Grove Public Library is a non-profit organization dedicated to their mission of supporting and advocating for our Library; and

WHEREAS, the Friends raise money for library needs, sponsor programs for all ages, encourage community support for the library, and support life-long learning by offering inexpensive materials at their book sales the first Saturday of every month; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Library have been instrumental in raising over \$2.4 Million dollars for the Library Renewal Project, helping the Library to continue to provide a welcoming place and a balanced collection while preserving the past and planning for the future; and

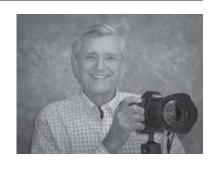
WHEREAS, the Friends' gift of their time and commitment to the library sets an example for all of the vital role volunteers play in our community; and

WHEREAS, the work of the Friends highlights on an on-going basis the fact that libraries are a cornerstone of the community providing opportunities for all to engage in the joy of learning and to connect with the thoughts and ideas of others from ages past to the present;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Pacific Grove hereby proclaims October 21-27, 2018 as National Friends of the Library Week in the City of Pacific Grove and urges everyone to join in thanking the Friends of the Pacific Grove Public Library for all they do for our library and our community.

Meet the Author

On November 15 awardwinning photographer/ director Will Furman guided 47 audience members through a "painterly" tour of historic Bodie, a roughedged ghost town in California's Eastern



Sierras. His "Fotoreflections" photographic technique, show-cased in the book *Bodie: Good Times and Bad*, layers a reflection over an image to create photos that juxtapose the present and the past in unique and stunning ways.

Will shared historic facts about mile and a half high Bodie where life was hard, and often short. Black and white historic photos showed its lawless roots in the mid 1870s, where one shovel full of gold was worth more than a year's wages, and brought to life notorious characters such as the "Bad Man from Bodie" who settled arguments on Bodie's Main Street known as "Bad Shot Gulch." By 1942 this town of thousands had only a hundred and some inhabitants; it was abandoned and sold to the State of California in 1962.

Walking the streets of Bodie, a State Historic Site kept in a state of arrested decay, evokes the feeling that "they just left yesterday." Will's contemporary photos (in the book and on display in the California State Library and Courts Building in Sacramento) bring this feeling to life though colorful landscape of arid mountains and vivid skies overlaying haunting views of abandoned houses, shops and buildings. After his presentation questions from the audience focused on Will's technique and photographic intent, followed by a book signing that brought the evening to a close.

Become a Member Today! Invite Your Friends to Join, too!			
Yes, I want to join the Friends of the Pacific Grove Public Library! Yes, Please RENEW my membership today!			
Name(s)			
Mailing Address		Phone(s)	
City	ST Zip _	Email	
Individual (\$30) B	usiness (\$50)	Benefactor (\$100)	Life Member (\$2000 or more)
Family (\$45) C	Corporate (\$500)	Patron (\$250)	

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Mark Your Calendars:

Book Sales at the Library: First Saturday of the month, 10 am - 4 pm

Saturday, December 1 First Saturday Book Sale – Library Arcade

No Book Sale in January

Saturday, February 2
Saturday, March 2
Saturday, April 6
First Saturday Book Sale – Library Arcade
First Saturday Book Sale – Library Arcade
First Saturday Book Sale – Library Arcade

Shopping Amazon with the Friends

If you shop Amazon.com, please consider using Amazon Smile. Just search for the Friends of Pacific Grove Public Library, Inc. through your Amazon account, and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to us! Every penny adds up, and helps us do more for the PG Library. Thank you!

Your Estate

Did you know that you can name the Pacific Grove Public Library Foundation in your estate plan? For more information contact foundation4pgpl@gmail.com.

Volunteer for The Friends!

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

MONTEREY COUNTY GIVES! Joining Together for Big Ideas

Meet The Author

Many thanks to the Meet the Author Committee, the Cookie Committee, Friends Greeters and library staff for an outstanding 2018 Meet the Author season. We look forward to learning more about our area's wonderful literary arts when the Series resumes in spring of 2019.

Bookmark

This bookmark was beautifully designed by PG Library staff member Polly Burns to express the Library staff's appreciation for the Friends.



Thank You
Friends
of the
Pacific Grove
Library!

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