



# friends of the REDWOOD LIBRARIES

# NEWSLETTER

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The Board meets the 3rd Thursday each month.  
Call 269-1995 for more information.

July 2016

Eureka Humboldt

## ANNUAL MEETING/FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY A ROUSING SUCCESS!

From the President, Marilyn Tucker

The Annual Meeting was held on June 18, and it was a truly memorable occasion. Eileen Hayhurst, who is stepping down after serving four years as First Vice President, did a fantastic job of heading up the preparations. Members of the board and other Friends helped with set-up, created beautiful boards displaying historical pictures and articles, prepared wonderful door prizes, and brought delicious food to accompany the Anniversary cakes. We greeted members who have been Friends for thirty years and even longer.

We were honored to welcome the Rev. Andrew Montgomery, who was a founding member of the Friends of the Redwood Libraries fifty years ago! Andy shared interesting and entertaining stories and memories about the founding of the Friends.



*Read more about the Annual Meeting in this newsletter.*



*The Montgomerys: Gloria, Andy, and Judy: Andy was a founder of FRL in 1966*

Be sure to come to the book sale on Friday, August 5, for FRL members only; and August 6, open to everyone. This is our annual Buck-a-Bag sale, where you can purchase as many books as you wish for just one dollar a bag. What a deal!!!

### BUCK A BAG SALE AUGUST 5 AND 6!

**CALLING ALL CHILDREN!** It's time for the 2017 CALENDAR. Please fill out an entry form, draw a picture of your favorite book or character and bring it to the Serendipity Book Store upstairs in the Eureka Main Library or mail it to FRL, P.O. Box 188, Eureka, CA 95502 Attn: CALENDAR.

Please submit your artwork by August 9, 2016. Find an entry form in this newsletter.

**Welcome to our New Friends**  
*Yvonne Kassatkin*

Lena Ashley, Arcata  
David Arthur, Eureka  
Maureen Berkey, Eureka  
Lynn Berver, Klamath  
Stephen, Brinton, Arcata  
Sue Burdick, Redway  
Cech Family, Eureka  
Sylvia DeRooy, Eureka  
John & Andreia Dresch, Eureka  
Janice Fetzer, Arcata  
Maxine Fleming, Eureka  
Jeffrey Goodman, Arcata

Brian Huber, Eureka  
Denise Martin, Eureka  
Rhoda Mackenzie, Arcata  
Bobbie McKay, Eureka  
Shane Mizer, Eureka  
Tammy Morgan, Eureka  
Kaeli Pena, Trinidad  
Sandy Popko, Eureka  
Alex Quezada, Eureka  
Judith Rex, Eureka  
Susan Ruddock, McKinleyville

Sonya Schultze-Huff, Eureka  
Greg Shepard, Eureka  
Teresa Singleton, Eureka  
Bonnie Smoller, Eureka  
Kathleen Wothe, Eureka



**WALT FRAZER RECEIVES 2016  
COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD!**



The Community Service Award for 2016 was presented to Walt Frazer at the Friends' Annual Meeting on June 18. Walt, who moved to Sonoma County last fall, was welcomed "home". We miss him! Stephanie

Hillman, Treasurer, presented Walt with a plaque, an Anniversary T-shirt, and \$2,000, which will be donated in his name to the Library. He asked that \$1,000 be used to purchase books about local history and \$1,000 be used to purchase children's books.

**FRL HISTORY ON DISPLAY**

Several display boards that tell much of the history of the Friends of the Redwood Libraries have been created.

The project was led by Yvonne Kassatkin, and the displays were enjoyed by those who attended the Annual Meeting.



**PAMELA SERVICE, AN AMAZING  
GUEST SPEAKER**

Speaker for the Annual Meeting was Pam Service, prolific author, adventurer, and archaeologist. She told how a book she read as a child led her to study Egyptology as an adult. She spoke to a packed house about her love of reading, and shared some of her 32 "speculative fiction" books that have been published so far.



**FAREWELL TO MARGE CUSTIS**

*Calista Sullivan*

Marge Custis passed away on June 7, 2016. At the time of her death, Marge was Vice President of the Humboldt Library Foundation. Whether selling tickets at the North Coast Repertory Theater's benefit performance of "Reefer Madness" or organizing countless early December Holiday Galas at the Ingomar Club, Marge worked tirelessly on fundraising for the Foundation. One of the functions of the Holiday Gala is to present the annual Helen Everett Award which is given to an individual or an organization who has contributed to improving library services in Humboldt County. Marge received this well deserved award in 2007. We will miss her enthusiasm for and commitment to making Humboldt County a better place.  
Rest in peace, Marge

## FRIENDS OF THE REDWOOD LIBRARIES OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers were elected at the Annual Meeting (Terms expire 2018):

1st Vice President	Barry Ross
2nd Vice President	Stephanie Hillman
Treasurer	Karen Palmer
Directors	Hilary Stephens, Yvonne Kassatkin, Marjorie Malcolm

Continuing officers (Terms expire 2017):

President	Marilyn Tucker
Recording Secretary	Debbie Reis
Corresponding Secretary	Calista Sullivan
Directors	Kay Belschner, Susie Freese, Connie Johnson, Jan Turner

Kenzie Mullen is Author Festival Representative, Kay Belschner will continue to edit *Constant Contact*, Martha Longshore is Webmaster, and Marilyn Tucker will continue to be Newsletter Editor

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## FRL, 1966-2016

### **Years of Advocacy and Service** *by Stephanie Hillman*

When plans were announced in 1971 for the first Humboldt County Children's Author Festival, the Friends stepped up immediately to offer both moral and financial support. This action resulted in our becoming one of the official sponsors of a biennial event that has become an institution on the North Coast. Many members of the Friends regularly serve as driver-hosts for visiting authors and participate in various other activities and we provide annual support of \$1,500 as well as serving as the umbrella organization for tax reporting purposes.

In July 1978 the reality of Proposition 13 became apparent with news that the related budget cuts and changes to the method of funding library services would result in the elimination of Monday service at all branches and a significant reduction in hours of service and the laying off of a third of the staff. The Library's budget had, in fact, been cut by 80 percent. The Friends immediately went into action and, with the support of the Humboldt County Board of Education, asked the Board of Supervisors for bail-out money. Their request was eventually forwarded to state legislators for action.

Over the years the Friends had become well know for the book sales through which they raised money for the Library system but their aims went far beyond that. As early as 1972 they began advocating for the building of a new library and, when a decision was finally made and a prospective site chosen in 1985, they were ready to start serious fundraising. Book sales were earmarked specifically to raise money for the building fund and funds were also raised from many other sources. Over the years, the Friends contributed over \$30,000 to the fund, including \$10,000 specifically for furniture and equipment. Some members of the Friends were also active on the Library Construction Advisory committee, which was responsible for bringing the new library into being at its present site through years of naysayers, budget problems, and lawsuits. When the brand new library finally opened on November 4, 1995, hundreds of people shared in the sense of accomplishment.

But there were problems around the corner and, once again, the Friends of the Redwood Libraries would step up in a big way. Watch for more in our next issue.

## Friends of the Redwood Libraries Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one: New  Renewal  Go Green: Receive Newsletter by Email

Individual.....\$5     Family.....\$8     Business.....\$35     Contributing.....\$15  
 Sustaining.....\$25     Life.....\$250     Patron.....\$1,000    Please make checks payable to FRL

Please check your interests in volunteer work:

Book Sales     Book Store     Book Sorting and Shelving     Publicity     Reporting

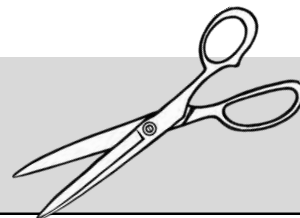
Online Support     Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Drop off this form at the  
 Serendipity Book Store  
 Humboldt County Library, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
 Eureka, CA



Or mail this form to:  
 Friends of the Redwood Libraries  
 P. O. Box 188  
 Eureka, CA 95502-0188

Please check the box if you would like to receive your newsletter via e-mail instead of regular mail. By receiving the newsletter electronically you will save money that can be used for the Library.



### GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY, 2015-16

Stephanie Hillman

*During the fiscal year that ended on June 30 the Friends provided a total of \$29,856 to the Library for a variety of purposes, as follows:*

◆ For books and other library materials	\$25,870
◆ For online support for the Library's cataloging operations	642
◆ For movie licensing for the Based on the Book series	517
◆ For bindery expenses	1,500
◆ For hospitality at professional meetings	259
◆ For catering at the Library's 20th anniversary celebration	438
◆ For the Summer Reading Program	<u>630</u>
	\$29,856

In addition to funding provided directly to the Library, the Friends also made our annual gift of \$1,500 to the Humboldt County Children's Author Festival. Both the Library and the Friends are sponsors of this biennial event.

All gifts made by the Friends are funded from sales in our Serendipity Book Store, on the internet and at quarterly book sales, as well as from the sale of the Children's Art Calendar and of Liberry Preserves. Funds also come from donations, including memorial donations, Community Service Awards, and membership dues beyond the basic level. We are grateful to all of our Friends and supporters whose generosity makes it possible for us to continue to provide gifts such as these.



# **FRIENDS OF THE REDWOOD LIBRARIES CALENDAR ART CHALLENGE**



**TO ALL CHILDREN, BETWEEN THE AGES OF 5 AND 12:  
JOIN THE FRIENDS OF THE REDWOOD LIBRARIES'  
CALENDAR ART CHALLENGE,  
FOR THE 2017 CHILDREN'S ART CALENDAR**

**ASK A PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO FILL OUT THE APPLICATION AND  
TAKE IT TO THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY MAIN LIBRARY, 1313 THIRD  
STREET, EUREKA; OR SEND IT TO FRIENDS OF THE REDWOOD  
LIBRARIES, P.O. BOX 188, EUREKA, CA 95502 ATTN: CALENDAR  
EVERYONE WHO ENTERS WILL RECEIVE A GIFT CERTIFICATE TO THE  
SERENDIPITY BOOK STORE IN THE EUREKA MAIN LIBRARY**

**Please turn in your artwork by August 9, 2016**



707-269-1995  
P.O. Box 188, Eureka CA 95502  
email: friends@eurekafrl.org

**APPLICATION AND PARENTAL  
AUTHORIZATION OF ART SUBMISSION  
FOR THE 2017 FRIENDS CALENDAR**

Artist's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

My Art Work is: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone 1#: \_\_\_\_\_ Email 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone 2#: \_\_\_\_\_ Email 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Contact Info: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Friends of the Redwood Libraries are creating a 2017 Calendar featuring the artwork of children between the ages of 5 and 12. The theme for the artwork is "My Favorite Book Or Character". Share an awesome book or character. Creativity is encouraged. Let your imagination soar. Fill your page to the brim with color and action and whimsy. Have fun!

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1. Maximum of three (3) entries allowed, and all pieces from each child will be photographed and will appear on the Friends website.
  2. Artwork selected for the 2017 Friends Calendar will receive a \$10.00 gift certificate for use in the library's Serendipity Book Store, and a complimentary calendar. Artwork selected for 'Honorable Mention' will receive a Serendipity Book Store \$10 gift certificate. 'Calendar' and 'Honorable Mention' work will be displayed in the Hagopian Gallery in the Humboldt Library. All other participants will receive a \$5.00 Serendipity Book Store gift certificate.
  3. Artists whose work is selected for the 2017 Friends Calendar will be encouraged to participate in a media event sometime in November at the Eureka Library at 1313 Third Street, Eureka, CA.
  4. The art for submission is to be done on size 8 1/2 x 11 or 9 x 12 unlined paper.
  5. All entries will be held in Serendipity Book Store for up to 1 year for return to artists.
  6. Deadline for entries is Tuesday, August 9, 2016.
  7. Drop off entries at the Eureka Library, or mail to above address: 'ATTN:2017 Calendar'.
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The Friends of the Redwood Libraries thank you for your continued support of our library system.

Parent/Guardian Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed Name)

**NOTE:** The Newsletter is printed quarterly. We look forward to hearing about your Friends' and branches' upcoming activities and events. Send your articles to Marilyn Tucker, Newsletter Editor, at [rmtuck@suddenlink.net](mailto:rmtuck@suddenlink.net).



## **News from Fortuna**

*Carol Kinser, President*

The Friends of the Fortuna Library is pleased to support Catrina Coyle, our new librarian, in her effort to bring many new exciting programs to the library. There was a summer book sale on the lawn during the Auto Expo and the first Family Literacy Night was held on July 13. The next one will be August 17. Catrina also scheduled Circus Nature which was a clown duo teaching juggling and circus tricks, and she is continuing the Books Made into Movies teen movie series to be held on July 27, showing "Paper Towns". Other programs are Spanish Storytime, and coming up on Wednesday, August 31, is a concert by Silk Road, a world class music duo. We are happy to report that the grant from the Perenin Foundation was approved so the library will be able to continue the year with good staffing levels, lots of new books and movies and more Programs! We are so pleased to have Catrina with us.

**Also, from Fortuna,** Catrina Coyle, the Branch Librarian, shared that the Summer Reading Club is going well, with its new activity programs, new prizes and less complex rules. Children of all ages are welcome, but they need to sign up before July 30. Anyone completing a reading log will get a free pizza coupon, a discount coupon for Hoppy's Frozen Yogurt, and a free book! Ask at the library desk about getting a reading log.

The next Spanish storytime "Hora de Cuentos" is planned for Thursday, July 28, at 11 a.m.

Free crafts, and all ages welcome.



*The photo is from the July 1 Capoeira (Brazilian martial arts) event.*

## **Trinidad Friends of the Library**

*Wadi Torres*

Summer has started and many members are on vacation. We look forward to seeing everyone in September. We are sad to announce the passing of one of our members, Darlene Marlow, who was

very well loved by all of our Friends of the Trinidad Library. She was very instrumental for many years in the fundraising for our new Library. There will be a memorial gathering at the Library, with the date to be announced.

Kenzie Mullen, longtime Trinidad Library manager, said: "I do believe we would

*not have had a library in Trinidad without her."*

In Darlene's own words: "*I have danced with the shimmering Northern Lights; I have heard the haunting cry of migrating Sandhill Cranes; I have smelled the Alpine wildflowers; I have swum in three oceans. I have fought for justice. I have loved and been loved. I am content.*"



## **Hoopa Happenings**



**Lois Hyman tells us** that the Friends of the Kim Yerton Memorial Library held its annual fundraiser, *Chalk it Up for Books*, on Saturday, June 4th, at the library. More than thirty sponsors and artists, along with the library staff, teamed up to make this year's event very successful. The

Friends will continue to use their funds to support the library collections and programs.

*Photo:* Carleanna Estrada with her chalk art for the Hoopa MiniMart.



**BUCK A BAG SALE**  
**August 5, 10 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**  
**(Members Only)**  
**August 6, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**  
**(All Welcome)**  
**Humboldt County Library**  
**1313 3rd St., Eureka**

***TWO IMPORTANT EVENTS TO REMEMBER!***

**BUCK A BAG SALE:**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 10 TO 5 MEMBERS ONLY, but memberships can be bought at the door.**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 10 TO 3:30 ALL WELCOME**

Great buys on books, records, videos—and a perfect time to buy children's books for summer reading. Come to the Eureka Main Library, 1313 Third Street, both in the meeting room and the garage.

**CALENDAR ART CHALLENGE**

Children, between the ages of 5 and 12: Please send or bring a drawing of your favorite book or character to be included in the 2017 Calendar Challenge. All entries win a gift certificate to the Serendipity Book Store! Find the application in this newsletter! Please submit your art work by August 9.

Our wonderful sponsors have already donated enough to pay for the printing of the calendars, so all money from purchase of calendars will go to support the Library!

