

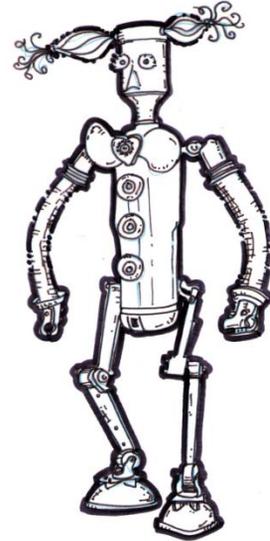


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Bookends

Robot Day at the Library

Celebrate the 2nd anniversary of the opening of the new library at Robot Day on July 18, 2009. At 2 pm Paul Loughridge, creator of the robot sculptures located in the Children's Area, will announce the winner of the contest to name the robots. (Deadline to enter is July 11.) This will be followed by a build-a-robot craft for kids, ages 6-13. Meet the artist at 3 p.m. and learn how he creates his sculptures. Answers to the "identify the robot parts" activity will also be revealed. Contest details and robot craft sign-up are available at the library.



Upcoming Fall Events

September 26-27

Taste of Morgan Hill

September 24

Speakers Forum:
Author Gary Soto

October 15

Speakers Forum:
Santa Clara County Poet
Laureate Nils Peterson

October 16-17

Fall Big Book Sale

October 24

35th Anniversary of the
Friends of the Library

November 12

Speakers Forum:
Guitarist Steve Lin

New Art for the Library

Also on July 18, view the latest art to be placed in the library. Two painted metal sculptures by Arizona artist Selina Rodriguez will be installed on the walls in the International Area of the library. The Friends Beyond Books Campaign provided the funds for these works.

Art a la Carte

Valerie Chambliss

Thanks to the Friends who went the extra mile and helped at the Art a la Carte children's day on May 2. We offered bookmarks (with a Morgan Hill Library logo) to color and decorate with stickers. These went over very well with the several hundred kids who attended this free event that was sponsored by the Library, Culture and Arts Commission and the City of Morgan Hill. Karen McDonald prepped the craft, Kathleen Underwood coordinated the volunteers and, with Trisha Gordon, Shivani Mathur and Monica Lepik, staffed the booth. Thanks for lots of smiles and encouragement to the budding artists! Art a la Carte is an annual event, and the Friends plan on participating next year, as it is a nice public interface to promote library use.

President's Message

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With this issue of Bookends, please welcome new editor **Megan MacDonald**. She replaces Emily Shem-Tov, who has been newsletter editor since January 2007. Emily is now president of the newly formed Morgan Hill Library Foundation and needs to devote more time to that endeavor. Our thanks to Emily for the great newsletters that she has produced for the past two years, and we're grateful that Megan has stepped forward to take her place.

Thanks also to **Shawn Hewitt**, who has agreed to help with book sale publicity. It is wonderful to have some new members involved with the organization.

We are always looking for volunteers to assist with specific projects. **Andrew Poth**, our faithful web manager, would like to update the look of our **Friends website** (www.friendsmhlibrary.org) but needs help with the design. If you have some graphic or artistic skills and would like to word with Andrew on this project, please contact me.

Fall Speakers Forums

Vicky Reader, readerv@earthlink.net

SAVE THE DATE –

**Author Gary Soto
September 24, 2009!**



With close to 50 published works, Gary Soto was most recently recognized when his 2009 publication of *Partly Cloudy: Poems of Love and Longing* was selected as a Junior Library Guild Selection. Mr. Soto will join us for storytelling, readings, and book signing. Many of his titles are required student reading, so we are especially inviting teens to participate in this special opportunity to meet a writer whose appeal spans the gamut from youth to adults, in English and in Spanish.

Santa Clara County poet laureate Nils Peterson will visit the library on October 15. On November 12, join Steve Lin, a professional classical guitarist, who will perform and share how to experience and relate to music.



35th Anniversary of the Friends of the Morgan Hill Library October 24, 2009

We will celebrate the 35th anniversary of the founding of the Friends on Saturday afternoon, October 24, 2009, and are looking for volunteers to help organize and plan the event.

We'd like to form a committee that would decide what kind of party we should have, to search through minutes of the past years to come up a list of former presidents, board members and community librarians, and to uncover interesting facts (such as how much money was made at the first book sale).

We want to create a display that covers the history of the Friends, and so we're looking for old photos, flyers, "artifacts", etc., especially from the 1970s and 1980s. Please let Carol O'Hare know if you have anything Friends-related that we might use.

Peggy Tomasso, Acting Community Librarian



A lot of good things are happening at the library. *Jeff Grubb*, longtime Adult Librarian, was promoted to Adult Program Librarian. His new position is responsible for adult and teen collections and services at the library. Jeff has been working hard to build a collection of materials and to develop programs that will excite and inspire the community. Congratulations, Jeff!

Summer is here and it is time to join the Summer Reading Program at the library! Everyone, from babies through adults, can read for fun, entertainment, and get a prize. Sign up anytime through August 1 in the library or sign up online at the Santa Clara County Library's website. Also check out the schedule of library programs for kids through adults that are happening throughout the summer. Great thanks to the Friends for all prizes and programs for the Summer Reading Program.



Laurie King, author of the new book, *The Language of Bees*, will be coming to the library on **July 9 at 7:00 p.m.** The winner of the Edgar, the Nero, the Macavity and the John Creasey Awards, she is the author of highly-praised stand-alone suspense novels and a contemporary mystery series featuring San Francisco Police detective, Kate Martinelli, and the author of nine mysteries in the Mary Russell/Sherlock Holmes series, including the New York Times bestseller *The Game*. Pick up a copy at the information desk in the library. Extra copies of the book were paid for by the Friends.

The California Native Plant Society will present a program on Thursday, July 16 at 7:00 pm, "Henry Coe State Park: Plant recovery following the 2007 Lick fire". Dr. Winslow Briggs, of Stanford University and a longtime Coe Park volunteer, will describe the situation of native plants after the big fire.

Saturday and Sunday, September 26 and 27, 2009
The Taste' of Morgan Hill's 20th Anniversary!

Calling all volunteers to partner with Library staff for one or more hours between 10am and 6pm at the Friends of the Morgan Hill Library booth. For first dibs on scheduling a comfortable seat under the cool shade of our booth, please contact Vicky Reader at readerv@earthlink.net or 408.779.2750. All Friends and guests are welcome!



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Library Hours:

Sunday and Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 1pm - 9pm

Wednesday and Thursday 10am – 9pm

Thursday: 10am - 9pm

Friday & Saturday: 10am - 6pm

Friends of the Library

Bookstore Hours

Tuesday: 1pm - 7pm

Wednesday: 10am – 8:30pm

Thursday: 10am - 7pm

Friday: 10am - 4pm

Saturday: 10am - 4:30pm

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The purpose of the Friends of the Library is to support the programs and services of our library. The Friends raise thousands of dollars each year for the library, mainly through used book sales.

Notes from the Book Sales Coordinator

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Book sales revenue continues to roll in at a brisk pace. Through the first 24 weeks of 2009 (ending June 18), Friends Bookstore sales totaled \$13,200. 474 books were sold online for \$7,602. The April Big Book Sale earned \$2,575 in the one day event. That's over \$23,300 income so far in 2009! Way to go everyone!

Thanks to all the volunteers work in the bookstore, sort books, set up and work at the sales, create flyers, and help with online sales. We cannot do this business without everyone's efforts.

Fall Big Book Sale Friday and Saturday, October 16 and 17.

NOTE: We are bringing back our popular Friday night **Members ONLY Preview**.

Friends Bargain Books Check out the Library's copier room off the lobby for the new **Friends Bargain Books** section. Shelves are stocked with paperback titles that may be purchased for only 25¢ each. Stop by anytime the library is open. Our thanks to Ron Wake for helping with the installation.



Join book sale volunteers for lunch at Erik's Deli the 2nd Monday of each month at 11:30 am.

Also, the book sale committee meets the last Saturday of each month. Everyone is welcome!!