Winter 2016

The Bookworm Bulletin
Events of the Friends of the Morgan Hill Library

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Fall Book Sale
Saturday
February 6, 2016

Renew your
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Book Reviews

A Silicon Valley
Reads Event

Tuesday, March 8,
7:00 pm at the
Morgan Hill Library

Benjamin Parzybok, author of Sherwood Nation

A novel about the lives of people and neighborhoods in Portland, Oregon, after years of severe drought and water rationing.

Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library, AAUW Morgan Hill, and the MH Times.
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10 am to 3 pm

All books $1 or less

Fiction, non-fiction, many westerns

Children’s books, 10¢ each

2 pm bag sale:

$5 with reusable library book bag,
$4 bring your own (standard size)

Members Only Preview

9 – 10 am

(before sale opens to the public,
memberships available at the door)

Save the date: Saturday, June 25, 2016, next book sale
Thank you for renewing your membership in the Friends. We can't do this without you.

The City of MH Public Works department is putting together the request for proposal for the design phase of our planned library expansion. Once it is published and bids solicited, a committee will review the proposals and select the best one. I hope this will happen in the next few months so we can plan for the construction phase. We are probably looking at a phased construction, so I would like to see the children’s area and the new bookstore become a reality in 2017.

I hope you will join us on March 8th for the Silicon Valley Reads author event at the library.

Come to the book sale on February 6th!

What a Deal! Become a Friend to the Morgan Hill Library.

The Friends of the Library invite you to join us in another year of supporting your Library. Membership dues, proceeds from our bookstore, on-line sales and book sales all go directly to the Morgan Hill Library to supplement their annual budget. We offer Annual ($10 for an individual, $20 family), 5-year and Lifetime Memberships.

Membership perks include a discount card (50% off any one item in the Friends Bookstore, once a month, all year), and early admittance to our quarterly Big Book Sales. On our website, www.friendsmhlibrary.org/index.html, you can pay with PayPal or download an application form and mail it to us. Or you can stop by the Friends’ bookstore and join/renew there.

You can find 189,568 things to be happy about at the Morgan Hill Library
(number of items you can check out in the MH collection)
The Burgess Boys by Elizabeth Strout is a well-written story with remarkable insight into character. Unsettled and haunted by their father’s accidental death when they were young children, the brothers leave their small hometown in Maine, as soon as possible, for New York. Jim became a corporate lawyer, and Bob a Legal Aid attorney. Jim has belittled his big-hearted brother their whole lives. Bob, who idolizes Jim, accepts the ridicule as part of life. But their lives will soon change. Their sister, Susan, stayed in Maine and calls them back home when her teenage son gets himself into trouble with the local Muslims. The Burgess boys return to Maine where recalling the past awakens long-buried tensions, which results in altering the boys, and their sibling relationship. These two protagonists have struggles and triumphs that will resonate with readers. The story reminds us that there are ties that bind us to family and home.

Never Change by Elizabeth Berg is a novel that celebrates life to the fullest. Myra is content with her job as a visiting nurse, but everything changes when Chip, the golden boy she adored in high school, refuses treatment for an incurable disease, and is assigned as her new patient. Past memories and longing are now dealt with every day. This book is about the wisdom and closeness that crisis can bring. The story will make you question who you are, and who we want others to think we are.