Meet Novella Carpenter, Urban Farmer, Writer and Adjunct Professor at the University of San Francisco. She'll be visiting the library on **Saturday, June 3rd, 3 – 4 pm.** Carpenter delighted attendees when she last came to the library with her national bestseller "Farm City: The Education of An Urban Farmer". With 2 more books published, she now teaches urban agriculture and writing at USF while continuing to run the GhostTown Farm in Oakland. BookSmart will have books for signing at the end of the talk.
A Library’s Best Friends

The people of our community support their library. There are many forms of support including your tax dollars and contributions to the Friends. Our proceeds from membership dues, the FMHL Bookstore, our Amazon Bookstore and the Saturday Book Sales all supplement the library’s annual budget.

The majority of FMHL members are people who live in Morgan Hill but we have members from all over the South Bay including Gilroy, San Martin, San Jose and other cities. We are grateful for the many people who have supported our library over the years, returning members, those who make donations, as well as our new members.

We welcome everyone to join our non-profit all-volunteer organization. The annual membership runs from January 1, to December 31, and the cost is a reasonable $10 for individual memberships, with additional membership options for families, businesses, a 5-year span, as well as lifetime memberships. Benefits of your membership include a monthly discount card, and early admittance to the Friends’ book sales. Help keep our library a valuable resource for the community. Check out our website at: http://www.friendsmhlibrary.org, or stop in at the Bookstore to learn more.
Come one, come all, to the 10th Anniversary of the Morgan Hill Library, located at 660 West Main Avenue, in Morgan Hill, on July 22nd. This event is sponsored by, MH Library and FMHL, (Friends of Morgan Hill Library). The time of the event is 1:00 - 4:00 pm.

There will be lots to see and do for adults and children at the upcoming celebration. The festivities will include: Gemar the Magician, children’s games, library tours, as well as refreshments and music. Renderings of the new library expansion will also be on display, and dignitaries will be on hand to welcome guests.

To ensure the success of this celebration, we are looking for volunteers. Many hands make the work lighter, (and more fun)!

For more information, or to sign up to volunteer, contact Dianne Brady at 408-612-8512 (home), or 650-228-4998 (cell), or email Dianne at: tomanddianne@yahoo.co
New Teen Librarian
Jeannine Gonzalez, born and raised in Gilroy, is the newest member of the Morgan Hill Library team, taking on the role of Teen Librarian. Jeannine previously worked as a Children’s Librarian in Milpitas.
Jeannine spent A LOT of time at the Gilroy Library during her youth, which had a major influence on her career choice. Her last year of graduate school Jeannine worked as a Library Page at the Morgan Hill branch, and fell in love with public library services.
She is thrilled to be back at the Morgan Hill Library and is dedicated to providing the best for our community. Jeannine is fluent in Spanish, and her family hails from Jalisco, Mexico. In her spare time she loves visiting new places, riding her bike, and of course, reading a good book!

Lunch in the Library
With the arrival of summer vacation, many of the supports provided for our youth throughout the school year are missing. Without the academics, free lunch and opportunities to play outside, many of our youth lose important skills. There’s even a name for it, Summer Slide, and unfortunately, it has a cumulative effect, with these learning losses building up each summer.
SCCLD wants to support children and their families in an enriched, safe, and positive environment, so in addition to our excellent summer reading program, Reading by Design, which promotes reading and literacy for all ages, Gilroy and Morgan Hill Libraries, and our Bookmobile service, in collaboration with the San Martin Lion’s Club, will be offering, Lunch and Learn Programs, throughout the summer. The program is geared for ages 0 -18, and all children are eligible to receive a free meal—even teen volunteer helpers.
The Morgan Hill program will run June 12-August 16, Monday-Saturday 12-1pm.
As the Volunteer Coordinator of the Friends of the Morgan Hill Library, it is so exciting to see all the wonderful people who have a long-term commitment to helping the Friends keep our book sales going.

Whether you are manning a shift at the store, interfacing with the community at large, spreading the word about FMHL, or devoting countless hours sorting donations, ensuring that the store’s bookshelves and Bargain Book Wall are always full and presented in a pleasing way, your continued dedication is priceless.

Unfortunately, not all donations come to us in the best condition, and those books/media items are stored on site, then put up for sale at one of our three Big Book Sales throughout the year. (or more, if inventory reaches its maximum capacity.)

When books just won’t meet our needs, they are sent to Better World Books, which are collected daily by the County, and then sold, the proceeds going directly to the Santa Clara County Library.

Each of these tasks requires a great deal of man/woman hours, and our Friends are there to do what needs to be done.

All proceeds, whether in the store, from Big Book Sales, or on-line, benefits our own community library, which is why we are continually searching for new members, new volunteers, who can contribute to our ongoing efforts.

We’ve been fortunate, recently, to receive just that, new faces who have stepped up and joined our library “family”.

Thank you to those new volunteers! We are so happy to have these great additions. Of course, we can’t forget the “experienced” members, who continually return, week after week, month after month, and year after year! You are all invaluable to what we do. Thanks to each and every one of you, we couldn’t do it without you.
Longtime Friend of the Library Eugene “Bud” O’Hare died at home on May 4, 2017, at the age of 86. Bud was a past Treasurer and supporter of the Friends, and will be greatly missed.

He is survived by Carol, his wife of 33 years; children Kathleen Hallam (Jim), John (Sharon), Molly Edgar (Don), Brendan, Eileen Skinner (Johnnie), Martin (Cindy Van Sickle), and Tim (Amy Tennant); stepson Chandako Bhikkhu (AKA James Reynolds); nine grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren; sister Betty Louise Cormier; and nieces and nephews. Bud was predeceased by wife Emily in 1970, and sister Mary Margaret Jay.

Bud will be remembered for his kindness, his integrity, and the generosity with which he gave his time.

Gifts in his memory may be made to Elwyn California, Wings of History Museum, or the Morgan Hill Historical Society.

A memorial service will be held on June 12, 2017, 1:00pm at St Catherine’s Church, Morgan Hill, with a reception following, at the Morgan Hill House at Villa Mira Monte.

The lions that lounge outside the beautiful New York Public Library's main building at Fifth Ave. and 42nd Street are named Patience and Fortitude.
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Friends of the Library Calendar

Sat, June 3  Author Novella Carpenter
  3 to 4 pm

Sat, June 10 Summer Book Sale
   10 am to 3 pm

Sat, July 22 MH Library 10th Anniversary
   10 am to 4 pm

Sat, Oct. 7 Fall Book Sale
   10 am to 3 pm

Actual Questions Asked of Librarians:

• Do you have books here?
• Do you have any books with photographs of dinosaurs in them?
• Can you tell me why so many famous Civil War battles were fought on National Park sites?
• Where in the library can I find a power socket for my hairdryer?

Don’t forget! Don’t forget! Don’t forget!

FRIENDS OF THE MORGAN HILL LIBRARY

It’s almost here, Friends of the Morgan Hill Library, Summer Book Sale. Mark your calendars!! Saturday, June 10, 2017, from 10 am to 3 pm

All books are $1, or less
2 pm bag sale: $5 with library book bag, $4 if you bring your own
Fiction, non-fiction, hardcover, paperback
A large variety of children’s’ books, 10 cents each
Members Only Preview
Saturday, June 10, 9 – 10 am
(before sale opens to the public, memberships available at the door)

Also: save the date for the Fall Book Sale, Saturday, October 7, 2017