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

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Art ala Carte was a success – we made lots of beaded bracelets and gave away books to all our participants. The GoGo Biblio van was a big hit and the weather cooperated, providing us a beautiful day. There was also lots of music on hand, and even a plant sale by the Flower Lovers Club.

This is always a fun event. I'd like to thank Diane Martin, Anabel Ellison and Arnavaz Wadia, for helping out at our table, Tricia Smoot for picking out the books, and Valerie Chambliss, for once again organizing the whole thing. Our librarian, Heather Geddes, provided all the supplies and stayed the whole day to help. We had a great time!

Just in time for summer, our big book sale will be held on June 1st. We have books for the beach, books for the mountains, books for the backyard, books for the kids, books to improve your mind, music to soothe your soul, and DVDs, perfect when it is too hot to go outside. Come and check out the bargains!

See you at the library...
Teresa Stephenson

Interesting Facts About Librarians

Source: CNN

Libraries in the US have long been community fixtures, providing gathering spaces along with public access to books and information. And at the center of these hubs are your local librarians, juggling reference requests while helping patrons find reliable resources. Here are some facts about librarians that might surprise you.

They serve more customers than your local movie theater

According to the [Institute of Museum and Library Services](#), around 1.3 billion people visit public libraries every year, more than the 1.24 billion movie theater admissions in 2017. These readers will probably tell you the book is better than the movie, too.

There are more of them than you might think

According to the [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#), there are about 126,800 librarians in the US. New York has the most, with 12,360 librarians.

They help spies

Want to work for the Central Intelligence Agency? A library degree (and the ability to pass an intensive background check) [might be your ticket in](#). At the CIA, you can [earn up to six figures working in their library](#).

They help preserve your favorite music

The Library of Congress has been [preserving recordings in the National Recording Registry](#) since 2002. Latest additions included hip-hop group Run-DMC's 1986 album "Raising Hell," Fleetwood Mac's 1977 album "Rumours" and the soundtrack to "The Sound of Music."

Their job prospects are on the rise

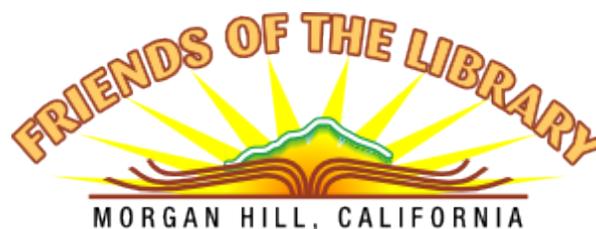
Employment of librarians is [expected to grow 9% by 2026](#). Some 12,000 jobs are projected to open as communities look to librarians for a variety of information services.

They have left their mark on history

Former FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, author Lewis Carroll, former first lady Laura Bush and China's Mao Zedong all worked as librarians or in libraries.

They are trusted resources

According to a [Pew Research Center poll](#), 78% of American adults feel that public libraries help them find reliable sources.





Summer Book Sale

Saturday

June 1, 2019

10 am to 3 pm

All books \$1 or less

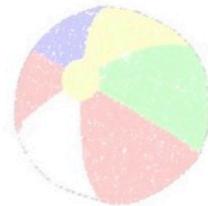
**2 pm bag sale: \$5 with library bag,
\$4 bring your own**

**Fiction, non-fiction, hardcover, paper
Children's books, 10¢ each**

Members Only Preview

Saturday, June 1, 9 - 10 am

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



Save the date: October 5, 2019, next book sale

Be a Friend to Your Library - *How You Can Help*

There are many ways to help the Morgan Hill Library, and we think there's something for everyone. The Library has a wish-list that FMHL strives to fill every year. Our purpose is to support and strengthen the Library's resources and services to the public and we need your help to make it happen.

1. Donate Books and Media

Drop off your used, or new books and media, at the FMHL Bookstore located inside the library. Our biggest source of funding comes from used book /media sales, so donating is a fantastic way to help the Friends and support your library. Refer to our, [Donation Guide](#), for specifics on donations.

2. Make purchases at our big book sales and specialty sales. Also, purchase books & media from the Bookstore, or shop our storefront at, [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com). At AmazonSmile, when you select Friends of the Morgan Hill Library as your charitable organization, we receive 0.5% of the price on all purchases made at AmazonSmile.



Get started with [AmazonSmile](#).

3. Become a Member of FMHL

Memberships are tax-deductible and can be done online via PayPal or by downloading a membership form at [Membership](#). (*PayPal accepts several types of credit cards; you don't need to set up a PayPal account.*) Forms are also inside our FMHL Bookstore. Membership includes early admittance to big book sales & monthly discount at the FMHL Bookstore.

4. Become a Volunteer with FMHL.

- Sort Books (Tues, Wed, Thurs or Fri mornings)
- Work as a cashier in the Friends Bookstore
- Assist at Big Book Sales
- Use your talents and help with Publicity
- Help on Website/Facebook
- Help organize Events or Programs

5. Make a Financial Donation

You can make a tax-deductible donation via PayPal - [donate online](#) - without leaving your home, or, donate at the Bookstore.

6. Tell a Friend

Tell others about our Bookstore and what our organization is doing to support the library. Use the good ol' fashioned way by talking with a friend, or share news on social media, like Twitter, Facebook and NextDoor.



Library News

Heather Geddes

Morgan Hill Library appreciates the work of each and every volunteer that selflessly gives his or her time and attention to support our community library. Please let us honor you all at the Morgan Hill Library's Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event taking place on, Monday, May 20th at 7pm. Join us in the library program room for an evening of desserts, activities, and fun with flowers. Please RSVP Heather at, hgeddes@sccl.org or call, 408-779-3196.

It's Showtime at Your Library Summer Reading Program 2019

The library is asking the community for their help in achieving the goal of reading 200,000 books over the summer! It's easy to participate, simply visit the library, or our website at:

www.sccl.org/summer2019, after June 1st to sign up. Read books, attend programs, and enter raffles to win prizes. All children who participate receive a free book, and all adult participants receive a free book bag.

Did you Know?

ENGLISH ESPAÑOL 中文 (CHINESE) **The New York Times**

Your SCCLD library card provides you with free access to the New York Times Online newspaper in English, Spanish, and Chinese. Your library card provides access to both the current NYT Times, and the historical archives. Simply visit our Online Library 24/7, select the New York Times, and you will be provided with a redeemable code, which provides you 72 hours of access to the current issue of the newspaper.



Train your mind for a healthier, happier life. Use your library card to try some meditation and reduce stress by using the Headspace App. To access Headspace, fill out a new user form on the library's website, and within 1-3 days Headspace will email an invitation that allows you to set up your free account. If you need assistance with either of these resources please contact Heather, at: hgeddes@sccl.org.

The sixty FMHL volunteers who do such an amazing job of helping in various capacities deserve a round of applause. This past month's small sale event is a perfect example of the amazing accomplishments so many of those volunteers performed, picking up boxes, (heavy boxes), filled with donations from BookSmart, from Joy's home, then delivering those same boxes to the library and helping in the set up and organization of the April 7th sale. That was quite an undertaking and all their hard work is greatly appreciated. On the day of the sale, additional volunteers worked not only the sale itself, they assisted in the cleanup too, so here's a big "Thanks" to each of them. Prior to the sale, another group of volunteers, including me, got together at Joy's to price the BookSmart books and organize them... more volunteer hours. This was just one sale event and with so many hands helping out - it went great!

Other volunteers donated their time to work this year's Art-a-la-Carte event, held on April 27th, at the Community Center. These volunteers helped 2-10 year olds make a craft using the theme, "We are one—love comes in every color." In addition to helping the kids, the event was a perfect venue to inform the children's parents about Friends of the MH Library. A shout out as well to our Children's section organizer, Tricia, who gathered books and made them available for participants to take home a free book. The Library staff was also on hand that day with the Go Go Biblio vehicle, lending books to eager participants.

On a weekly basis, if not more often, volunteer sorters organize all the book store donations and keep everything running smoothly. Their continuous weeding of the donations helps keep the sort-room organized and tidy. All volunteers who have a regular shift, or participate as subs, are greatly valued for the time and commitment they have to our organization.

And of course, we thank all of our volunteers who set-up for each sale and those who work the sale and clean up after. So many people, so many helping hands, giving of their time, and making the workload lighter. It's amazing how all this work goes so quickly and smoothly, (most of the time).

We can't forget to thank another tireless volunteer, our "on-line" seller, Roberta. She stores the books, boxes them, wraps them, labels and mails all the books sold to Amazon customers. Thank you so much, Roberta!

All of you make this organization work, allowing us to continue earning money, which goes directly to our very own library. Each of you does a great job! And I know the community appreciates the deals they find in the store, and at our sales. They benefit as well from items purchased with the proceeds of our sales.

Volunteers ...continued

Adding to our list of amazing helpers are these recent volunteers, so please give them a big, "Welcome", when you see them as each has become an important part of our organization, just as all our long time volunteers are.

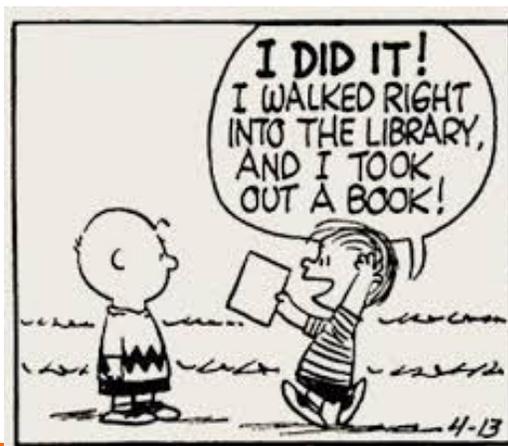
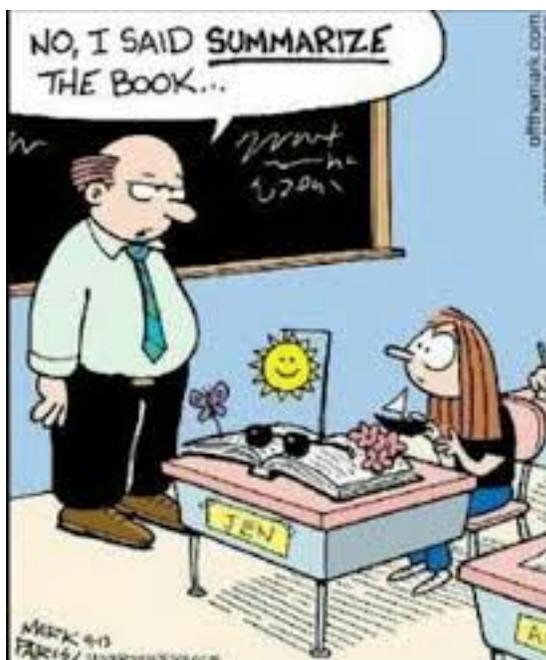
New helpers in the sorting room are: Nancy Hurxthal, Gabrielle Bates, Dave Michaud, and Tricia Smoot. Our new bookstore volunteers are Debbie Ulmann, and Diane Martin.

Volunteer Needs:

Our Bookstore reflects the eclectic tastes of our patrons, donors, and volunteers. Some volunteers focus on specific genres or materials; e.g., Carol O'Hare - old and rare, Bill Barnhart - music CDs, Jan Sanders - fiction, Tricia Smoot - children/teens, Fran Hopkins - business and art, and Mary Ringo – items on the wall under the clock. They stock the Bookstore at least weekly with new materials in their areas and choose materials which need to move on in the process to free up precious shelf space for incoming "fresh" items. Janet Franklin, Shani Reyburn, Pat Bailey, and Dave Michaud help keep the Bargain Book Wall organized. Our General Non-Fiction, Biography, Cooking, and DVD shelves get a lot of activity and could use a discriminating eye. If you can help in these areas or have other special talents, let Volunteer Coordinator Karen MacDonald know.

Red Cart Old & Rare Treasures

Among the Old and Rare books on the red cart, check out the collection of STEM books (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics), located on the bottom shelf. Give one of these treasures a new home!



Did You Know

In April, **Rod Skinner** obtained a \$260 donation for the Friends, equivalent to \$10 for each hour of his volunteer service last year in the Bookstore and at Book Sales. We encourage checking with Human Resources at your current or past employer as Rod did, because you may be able to help the nonprofits where you serve through a **Volunteer Grant**. Participating volunteer grant companies include household names such as CVS and Apple. Learn more at Double the Donation, <https://doublethedonation.com/>, for additional info regarding Matching Grants. If you do submit a Volunteer or Matching Grant request, please let us know to look for it, plus we want to acknowledge your gift.

The Friends of the Morgan Hill Library, (FMHL), continues its annual support of the popular, **Silicon Valley Reads**, (SVR), program which offers author events and related activities held at our library and throughout the area. Morgan Hill **Library, Culture and Arts Commissioner, Katie Khera**, served on this year's SVR Community Advisory Board.

The Friends provide copies for our library's, **After Dinner Book Group**, which meets from, 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., on the first Tuesday of the month. The upcoming selections are *100 Years of Solitude* by Gabriel Garcia Marquez in June, and *Daisy Miller*, by Henry James in July.

Community Librarian, **Heather Geddes**, and Friends President, **Teresa Stephenson**, regularly partner to apply for FMHL grants, their pending award from the **Morgan Hill Community Foundation**, will provide **furnishings** concurrent with the upcoming library expansion.

The Friends also support the **Santa Clara County Library District Foundation**, (SCCLDF), which is governed by the Library District Joint Powers Authority, (JPA). **Mayor Constantine** now serves on the JPA following the many years **Mayor Tate** served and presided. The success of the **Summer Lunch and Learn** program was enhanced by the FMHL's support through the foundation. The foundation obtained a recent grant directly from the **Morgan Hill Rotary Club**, to benefit the Morgan Hill **Reading Program** tutor/learner pairs. **Vicky Reader** serves on the foundation board as the **South Valley** representative.



Art Ala Carte

April 27, 2019

Fun! Fun! Fun!

Bracelets and books!



Friends of the Library Calendar

- Mon, May 20 **Volunteer Appreciation Party**
7 to 8:30 pm
MH Library Program Room
- Sat, June 1 **Summer Book Sale**
10 am to 3 pm
- Sat, Oct. 5 **Fall Book Sale**
10 am to 3 pm

