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News, Events & Etceteras

Table Top Night © Scotts Valley Branch

Play popular board games with your Friends.
1st & 3rd Wed of each month 6:30-8:30 pm.

Monthly Book Sale @ Aptos Branch

Purchase great-quality gently-used books 3rd Sat. of each month (No April Sale) 11 am-3 pm

Shakespeare to Go @ Boulder Creek Branch

A condensed performance of Two Gentlemen of Verona Sat., May 13 @ 1pm Donations Appreciated!

Felton Library Festival @ site of future building

Food, art & music next to the Felton Post Office Sat., May 20 Noon-4 pm

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Where is your Friendship going?

A few answers to your questions about Campaign S and the role of the Friends.

Through Measure S, funding was secured for library construction and renovations, so do the libraries need Friends anymore?

Definitely YES, says Susan Nemitz, Library Director. "The Library is looking to its Friends to raise funds for necessary branch enhancements as they're identified in the process.

And your Friendship each year ensures wonderful programs for each of the branches. We want to see programs thrive even during building transitions!"

"Your donation this year will fund the programs you enjoy at your branch, and purchase books or materials for the entire library system."



Which branches will see new buildings and in what order?

Capitola and Felton will see new buildings first. The City of Santa Cruz is conducting a feasibility study to choose between a major renovation or a new building for its downtown branch. Aptos will receive a major renovation and other branches will receive significant upgrades.

The Friends Chapters of the Capitola and Felton branches are closely involved in the construction discussions. A Downtown S.C. Branch Advisory Committee is being formed and Friends for this branch are needed. Please email friends@fscpl.org if you'd like to join in the planning of your new downtown branch.

How can I stay informed of the progress?

Measuring Measure S on the Library's website is documenting and archiving each of the ten projects. Visit www.santacruzpl.org/measure_s/ or go to the Library homepage, select Local Information, and click on "Measure S" under Government.

The Friends newsletter will also continue to update you quarterly about the value of your friendship!



Your donation today to the BC Chapter will fund family events such as the annual pumpkin carving.

Join the Boulder Creek Chapter for Fun Community Events!

The BC Chapter supports a full year of family events and community programs. If you're interested in a volunteer opportunity, they'd welcome your involvement in planning these and other events:

- *Shakespeare To Go*: This student thespian group from UCSC engages audiences with entertaining performances by putting a modern day spin on the classics.
- Last Day of School Party: Celebrate the beginning of summer vacation with free root beer floats, crafting, stomp rockets and sign-ups for summer reading.
- The San Lorenzo Valley Community Band performs every June in the outdoor amphitheater for a glorious evening concert of old favorites, marches, folk music, show tunes and more!
- The Saturday before Halloween, you'll find the library jam-packed with families carving and painting pumpkins at the free pumpkin carving event.

If you'd like to join the Boulder Creek Chapter, please email friends@fscpl.org.



The new Center is a one-stop shop connecting veterans and their families with benefit information.

Generous Donations Fund the new Veterans Information Center in the Downtown S.C. Library.

Dozens joined the Grand Opening of the new Veterans Information Center in February to celebrate the Center's funders and its Volunteer Benefit Coaches. Attendees were introduced to the multiple services provided at the Center, and enjoyed a lunch provided by Kaiser Permanente.

Veterans will now be able to connect with local, state and federal resources at their Downtown Santa Cruz branch thanks to the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, the CA Dept. of Veterans Affairs, Kaiser Permanente, AND FRIENDS LIKE YOU.

Veterans Information Center hours:

Mon: 1-3 pm Tues: 10– noon

Wed: 10- noon.

Librarians are also available for individual appointments.

You can access websites, pamphlets, DVD's and books tailored to military vets.



With your continued support of the Friends, you'll keep this Center open for veterans and bring other valuable community programs to your neighborhood!

Our Mission The Friends of the Santa Cruz Public Libraries, Inc., is a non-profit organization whose members support the Santa Cruz city-county library system through fundraising, volunteer services and advocacy.

A BIG THANK YOU to these Friends for their recent donations!

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Paul Frommherz — A Decade of Friendship

Paul decided to volunteer with the Friends in honor of his father who was a librarian. He wanted to have something to do with books that didn't require heavy lifting or pushing book carts, so ten years ago, he began volunteering in the sorting room and bookstore.

Some of Paul's favorite library memories involve sorting through the books and media materials you have donated through the years. Ask him for one of those stories next time you visit!

If you don't find Paul at home in the Santa Cruz Mountains, he's most likely working one of his two weekly shifts in the Friends Bookstore at your Downtown S.C. Branch.

Find your own literary memories in the sorting room. Sign up to volunteer at Friends@fscpl.org!

If you stopped by the Downtown S.C. Branch last December, you were most likely greeted by your Friend's own Santa Paul.

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