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Measure S Update: 2018 brings a flurry of construction plans

Please contact your Friends to find out how you can be involved in the new library coming to your region.

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The Friends will hold a Moving Sale at this branch in May! The Libraries will increase hours at the Live Oak and Aptos Branches, so that Capitola residents can continue enjoying services during branch construction.

Felton Branch: Friends partner with the County to add a new park alongside the future branch.

Plans are in the permitting phase and construction may begin in 2018. Fortunately, the current branch will remain open while construction is underway at the new site.

Downtown Branch: Citizen Committee makes their recommendation to the city council.

After six months of research, deliberations, and public comments, the Downtown Library Advisory Committee sent its recommendation to the Santa Cruz City Council for the shared use plan on Cedar Street. The City Council will review the recommendations and determine next steps.

News for the remaining seven branches:

• The City of Santa Cruz will determine the renovation needs for the Garfield Park and Branciforte Branches.

• The County of Santa Cruz approved a work plan for La Selva Beach, Boulder Creek, Live Oak and Aptos Branches. They’ve hired architectural and engineering services to begin work on all four projects.

• The Scotts Valley City Council will determine the improvements needed at its branch library.

Stay informed…Get Involved

Follow the progress on each of these projects on the Measuring Measure S page: SantaCruzPL.org/Measure_S/
Bookmobile Visits Overcome Barriers to Accessing Services

Every year, Friends donate to this moving treasure.

Bonnie had one regret about her move to St. Stephens from Garfield Park Village. The bookmobile didn’t stop at her new home, and she didn’t know how she would continue enjoying library services.

“We gave Bonnie great news,” says Eric Chalfant, Bookmobile Library Assistant. “We let her know that we had just finalized plans to add a regular stop at St. Stephens beginning this February.”

The bookmobile delivers services to those who have barriers to accessing libraries, such as mobility issues or distance to the nearest branch. The library on wheels stops at senior housing centers, affordable housing sites, and at locations in Bonny Doon and Davenport.

The bookmobile also works with afterschool programs to make sure they stock needed research materials for students at their stops.

“We get to know our patrons and make sure our bookmobile library has the services they need — from favorite authors to the current subject studied at their school.” says Eric.

Your Friends in Aptos Undertake their Biggest Project to Date

“Our Community Reads” is proving to be one of their most successful endeavors as well! The goal of the program is to create a shared experience by having people read the same book at the same time. Already, dozens have chosen to participate by reading Trevor Noah’s *Born a Crime* and attending a multitude of events focusing on themes brought up by the book.

The autobiographical comedy tells of the comedian’s upbringing in South Africa during apartheid. Fourteen events will take place now through March 1st in the Aptos area. Each event is designed to explore the concepts and themes of the book in more detail.

You can choose from a wide spectrum, ranging from speakers to art shows to a poetry slam. All events are free and open to the public.

For information on the events, visit: friendsofaptoslibrary.org.

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Thank you to these generous Friends for their recent donations!

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The Friends need you once a month for two hours as an Event Book Sale Volunteer at the Downtown Branch. We want you to live your dream!

Enjoy chatting with your community about books, while you volunteer as a cashier or as a display organizer. Event Volunteers typically work in two-hour shifts with 2-3 other volunteers.

Please email Mary@fscpl.org to express your interest or for more information.

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