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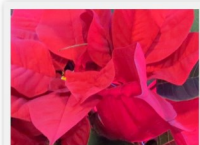
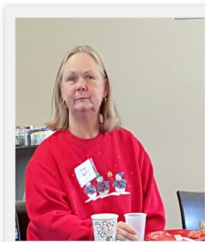
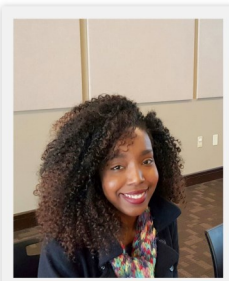
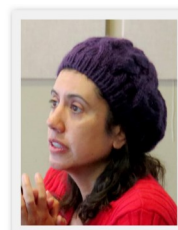
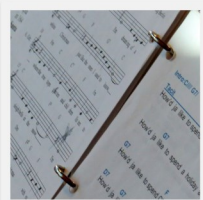
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**Call the library at
619-475-4642 if you want
more information on the
following classes:**

- *Mondays at 9:30pm
T'ai Chi
- *Tuesdays at 4:00pm
After School Kids Club
- *Thursdays at 10:30am
Storytime Dance Party
- *Thursdays at 2:45pmam
Bonita Stitchers
- *Thursdays at 3:30pm
Beginners Chess Club
- *Fridays at 3:00pm
After School Adventures
- *Saturdays at 10:00am
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- *Sundays at 10:30am
Computer Class: This pro-
gram requires registration.
See library staff to sign up.



Friends of the Bonita/Sunnyside Library
Holiday Party, December 8th 2015





Editor's Note

A big thank you to Liz Usborne for the captivating pictures on the front page!

We had an abundance of great food and the gift of beautiful music played for us by "The Merry Ukes" at our December meeting.

Supervisor Cox attended with Kia Pollard from his office. Our Supervisor is definitely a member in good standing!

If you didn't make it in 2015, mark your calendar and plan on joining us December 13, 2016!

Whatever it Takes Book by Bob Moawad

Education consists mainly in what we have unlearned.

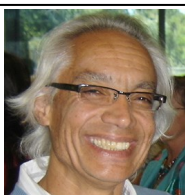
- Mark Twain

No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.

-Eleanor Roosevelt

What appears to be the end of the road may simply be a bend in the road.

-Dr. Robert Schuller



Did You Know?

**José Aponte,
Director**

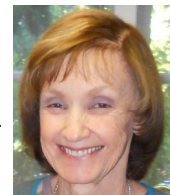
People are still reading the printed word. We had over 66,000 books checked out in one month!

A lot of great things are happening in the county! The Poway Library was recently remodeled and looks fantastic! Alpine's new library should be finished May 31st. And the ground breaking ceremony for the Imperial Beach Library went off without a hitch! We keep moving forward!

President's Message

Hello Everyone:

It has been my privilege to be involved with the South County Economic Development Council representing our non-profit Friends of the Bonita-Sunnyside Library. Their goal is to inspire South County's work force, economy, and overall community. Through them I recently attended a very informative meeting on Disaster Preparation. There was a lot of information that we all can use in many kinds of disasters. Several really good websites you can check out are: www.readysandiego.org (this even has videos). The other one is www.sdcountyemergency.com. We all should be prepared!



I also had the privilege to attend the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Imperial Beach Branch Library. They're getting a new 14,000 square foot library which is expected to open in late 2016. The speakers included Supervisor Greg Cox, Director José Aponte, Imperial Beach Mayor Serge Dedina, and Nancy Stone, President of the Imperial Beach Friends of the Library. They also had some great music by Kevin Rones. Yeah! New Library!

BTW...this year is Director José Aponte's eleventh year with San Diego County! He has accomplished so much! We are very lucky to have such a great and caring Director!

Also, after our March meeting, Tom Pocklington will lead us in the changing of the American Flag right outside the library! It's so very special! Join us! As Always, Irene

Meet our Dedicated Volunteer Sue Gillot



Sue says that she was born in Canada many many years ago. She came to California in 1962 and married her French born husband in 1971. They have 2 beautiful daughters & 5 grandchildren, ages 8-16.

Sue worked for 30 years in the Chula Vista School District as an assistant and library clerk. She enjoys her retirement. It allows her to spend many days with her grandchildren and reading a good book. Life is good!

You can find Sue at the bookstore on Friday mornings. Thanks Sue!

San Diego Legends: Living Well

At the Bonita Museum & Cultural Center March 2 - April 9, 2016

San Diego County Library and Aging & Independence Services present San Diego Legends: Living Well, an annual recognition comprised of painted portraits by local artist Mona Mills, photographs, and impact statements about local elders who lead by example. Celebrate the opening of the Legends art exhibit with refreshments, live music and the artist. Reception: Friday, March 4th at 5:30 p.m. at the Bonita Museum and Cultural Center, 4355 Bonita Rd. **Everyone is welcome!**

I saw their presentation last year and it was fantastic! **Don't miss out, join in!** Your editor

"Friends" Bookstore

Bookstore Hours:

Monday 1:00 pm to 4 pm
Tuesday 10:00 am to 4 pm
Wednesday 10:00 am to 4 pm
Thursday 10:00 am to 4 pm
Friday 10:00 am to 4 pm
Saturday 1pm to 4 pm
Sunday CLOSED

Prices:

Hardcover: \$2.00
Paperbacks: 25¢ or 5 for \$1.
Others Priced as Marked
Children's Books: 10¢ to 50¢
CD's: 50¢
DVD's: \$1.00

Don't Forget!!!

We can always use book donations. Ask for a receipt for your taxes as we're a 501c3 non-profit organization. We are usually in need children's books!

It's for a good cause!



STORYTIME DANCE PARTY

This is one of the cutest dance parties that you would ever want to see! These adorable little toddlers jump, twist, clap, bend, and have so much fun together!

Sara Coney and Lee Smith were leading the dance party when I arrived. I just stood there in amazement as I watched these cute little children follow the leaders and do their dance routines.

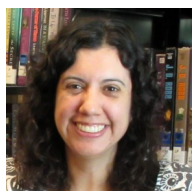
A big thank you to Lee for getting a camera and taking this charming picture for me.

We are so fortunate to have so many programs available at our library for children of all ages!

This is part of an interesting article taken from ilovelibraries.com It's regarding a well known author and his philanthropy.

Carr Elementary (SC) has received \$4,000 in grants from best-selling author James Patterson and Scholastic Reading Club to buy books for students. Patterson, who writes the Alex Cross and the Women's Murder Club series, donated \$1.75 million to school libraries nationwide. Grants of up to \$10,000 were allocated to each of 467 selected schools. "These grants are my humble acknowledgement of some of the terrific work taking place in libraries," Patterson said in a news release. "Here's to communities supporting school libraries. Here's to a country that makes reading a priority. Here's to flourishing libraries!"

Accolades to an author who cares!



The branch will be a busy place in March, with something for everyone! Release your stress at a new Laughter Yoga program on Thursday, March 3, 1:30 pm. Then take control of your life at the Reclaim Your Power workshop led by transformational coach and poet Kathy Holdaway on Saturday, March 5, 1:00 pm.

Legends Project: We are partnering with the Bonita Museum and Cultural Center this month for a special presentation. Artist Mona Mills has painted vibrant portraits of local community leaders to be displayed at the museum from March 2 to April 9. Come meet two of the paintings' subjects and gain new perspectives on Bonita as part of a series of Q & A sessions held Saturday, March 19 and 26, at 10:00 am at the library. Sal Barajas, one of the original muralists to paint the world famous San Diego Chicano Park murals, will be interviewed March 19. Aurora Cudal, a Filipina-American community activist and columnist for the Filipino Press, will be interviewed Saturday, March 26th.

We have three book clubs meeting in March. If you love to cook, try out the Cookbook Club, meeting Saturday, March 12, at 1:00 pm. Check out a cookbook from SDCL's large cookbook collection, try out some recipes, and bring it to the meeting. If you like, bring a sample of something you cooked to share. March is focusing on Breads and Desserts, so it is sure to be a delicious meeting!

The library's long running Bonita Book Club is meeting on Thursday, March 24, 1:30 pm, and will discuss *Chaperone*, by Laura Moriarty. The novel focuses on the friendship between an adolescent, pre-movie-star Louise Brooks, and the 36-year-old woman who chaperones her to New York City for a summer, in 1922, and how it changes both their lives. We have also started a new book club, *After the Rush Hour*, aimed at working adults. It is meeting on Tuesday, March 15, 6:30 -8:00 pm, and discussing *Tears in the Darkness, the story of the Bataan Death March*. Both books are available at the library.

The biggest event of March will be the popular children's Mad Hatter Tea Party on Tuesday, March 22, at 1 p.m. Children of all ages are invited to dress up in their favorite costume and attend a special Mad Hatter Tea Party! This drop-in style program will feature games, costumed characters, snacks, a Mad Hatter craft, photo booths and ends with a costume parade through the library!

Marisa Lowe, Branch Manager

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Main Library: 619-475-4642

“Friends” Bookstore location is in the same building as the library. As you face the building, we’re the door to the far right. **Don’t miss out, drop in!**



***Join the “Friends”
Today!***

Book donations gratefully accepted. We are a 501c3 tax deductible organization.

“Friends” Officers and Chairpersons

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Time is a great healer, but
a poor beautician.

Lucille. S. Harper

As a child, my family’s menu
consisted of two choices: Take it,
or leave it.

Buddy Hackett

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Books are the quietest and most constant of friends;
they are the most assessable and wisest of counselors,
and the most patient of teachers.

Charles W. Elliot

The man who doesn’t read good books has no
advantage over the man who can’t read them.

Mark Twain