

NEWSLETTER

Angelo M. Iacoboni Library, 4990 Clark Ave., Lakewood, CA 90712

Presidential News

We'll give President Lincoln a little credit!

*"Of the people,
by the people, for the
people..."*


I requested from very busy scholarship recipients and members of our Board of Directors, reflections of their FoLL experiences. They'll give you a peek inside some of the things that make FoLL and its volunteers a reflection of Lakewood's finest.

Your proud and grateful president,
Margene Stevens


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Marisa Perez, Member at Large, FoLL

After my shift at the north Ticket booth for Taste of Lakewood ended, I hurried to get a scoop of Captain Vic's ice cream for my family. We enjoyed the yummy sweetness and hurried to the back of our pickup truck to get ready for the grand finale - another great Fireworks show!  As the cool wind blew and the sky was lit up with lights, I paused to reflect why I love living in Lakewood. Thank you for allowing me to be part of such a great group of community servants who do so much for our community and the FoLL sponsored programs at Nye and Iacoboni libraries.

Tess Croft, Treasurer, FoLL

So many heartfelt experiences in so many years of volunteering with FoLL. I'm amazed and felt fortunate to see young volunteers grow year after year as they come back to help. I'm grateful for the bond of friendships that developed among volunteers. I'm specially touched by the joyful response of the community to FoLL events. 

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Join our community!
Celebrate & Volunteer!

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George Nye, Jr. Library
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Kade Castleberry, Scholarship Recipient

When my mom first dropped me off to volunteer back in my sophomore year of high school, I didn't think I would like it at all. Sitting around in a library just did not sound appealing to me. 4 years later and after numerous hours of volunteering, I have absolutely fallen in love with the organization. The whole FoLL team is like a family to me, and is always so caring and eager to hear about my life now that I'm in college! I am truly blessed to have been given the opportunity to work alongside them in such a fun environment.

This is MY FoLL...

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Wandasue Ennis, Director at Large

Why I volunteer:

My first encounter with the library was in the 4th grade. With books I found the way to be happy even with all the book reports. Over the years I have maintained a ravenous appetite to read. Becoming part of the bookstore and joining FoLL has enhanced my reading journey so much more. Being among people who love books and discuss authors makes it so much more enjoyable.



What I enjoy the most is being in the back reserve cleaning and pricing books for the bookstore and the book sale. It is such a great feeling to look at all of the books that are donated. It is a very rewarding feeling to be part of this group. Thank you, FoLL, for allowing me the opportunity to work among you. If you love to read or know someone that does, encourage them to join with people that have the same passion.

I have always considered the library My Sanctuary. No matter how I feel or what I need I can always find it in the library.

Winnie Heiss, Director at Large

I had the honor of being Vice President of the Friends of the Lakewood Libraries from 2009 to 2015 and my job, was to preside over the board meeting in case the President was absent. In this case, our wonderful President, Margene Stevens, did not give me that opportunity as she never missed a meeting!

But my other responsibility was to chair the Annual Member Meeting each November and I loved that job! We were fortunate to have a Lakewood City Park facility available, the members of the board of directors provided delicious refreshments and we had super entertainment, followed by the election and installation of the incoming board of directors. It is the only time FoLL members get together to get acquainted with and to enjoy each others company.

The entertainment for the annual meeting has been Mae'ole Hoku, Lakewood Dance Class of Polynesian dancers, (2015), Alice in Wonderland with Musical entertainment from Theater Americana, (2014), Broadway Tunes by the Lobato Sisters, (2013), Historical Impressionist Peter Small became Thomas Edison, (2012), USO Show by Theatre Americana, (2011), Henry VIII by Shawn Donohugh, (2010), The Magic of Reading by magician Joel Ward, (2009). I hope you enjoyed the Membership Meetings as much as we have and that you will continue to join us each year!



Valery Roy, Bookstore Manager

I started volunteering in the Bookstore because I liked to go and look at what was new. I worked 2 hours a week in the Bookstore and I really enjoyed going through and sorting kids' books. Then I found myself saying yes I will manage the Bookstore! I have met some really awesome people. Even though it is a big job I have all these angels that do so much work. One of my favorite things is when I come into the store and notice how many things get done as if by magic. Books get cleaned, magazines get put out and cookbooks get cleaned and priced. It is so much fun to put up a themed cart and watch the books disappear.



Love
Broadway
Music?!



Don't miss

FoLL's Annual Meeting November 6th!

Great Food,
Library
Enthusiasts!

FALL ASKS BOOKS



9:00 a.m.
to 2:00 p.m.



Saturday
October 1, 2016

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Hardback Books \$1.00 and up! Paperback Bargains!

- Textbooks
- Encyclopedias
- Computer
- Children's
- Cassettes
- Videos
- Laser Discs
- Art
- Music
- Teacher's Table
- Unusual Books
- *All Priced As Marked!*

A LARGE SELECTION OF

Fiction Mystery Romance Non Fiction etc.

Memberships available at the door for Thursday and Friday shopping!

Pre-Sale Event! for FoLL Members!

Thursday, Sept. 29th. 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 30th. 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Membership dues are 100% tax deductible

All disabled customers will be admitted to this pre-sale event.

Please bring your own bags.

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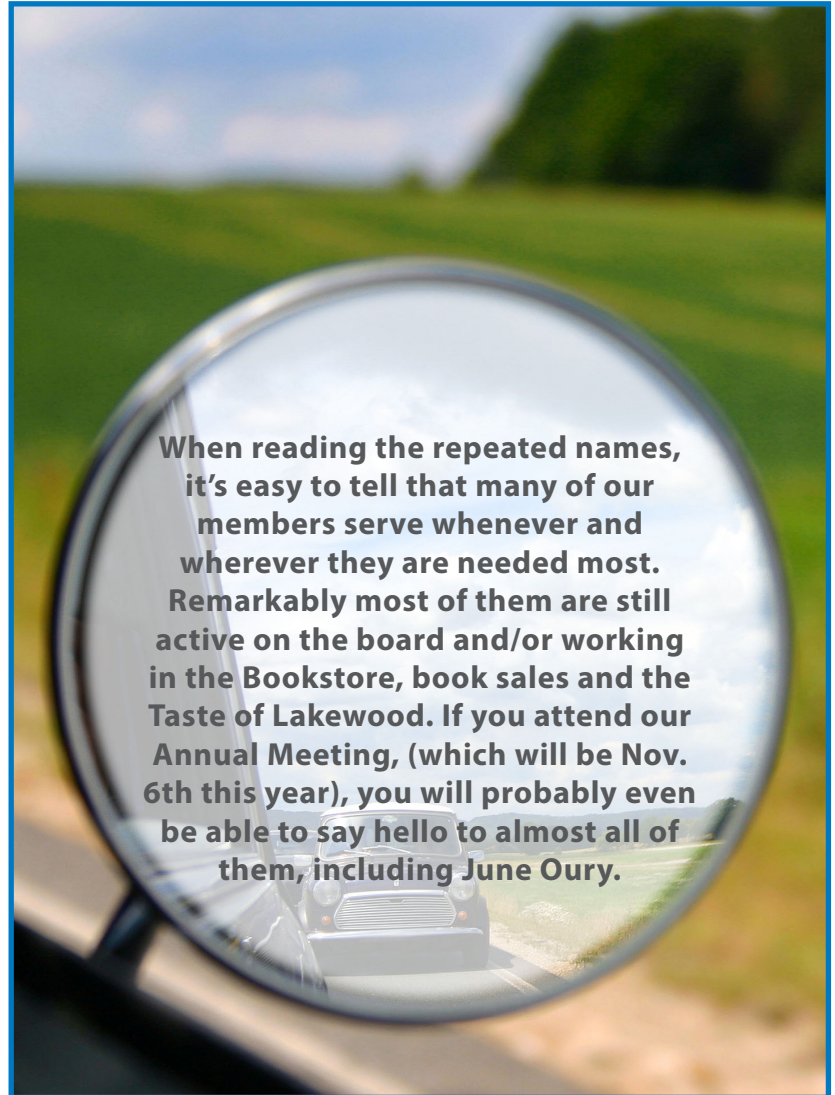
A Brief Look in the Rear View Mirror

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If you don't already know Tess Croft, your life could be better, because she is exceptionally caring and capable and loves learning to do new things. She very frequently surprises us with yet another accomplishment that benefits us and our organization. Most recently, she compiled a history of FoLL Officers.

When first incorporated in 1972, only the president, Jack Rambo, and secretary, Grace Blakebrough, were listed. Apparently keeping the new organization functioning was difficult, and a second incorporation occurred in 1983 with president Anthony D. Mater and, Treasurer Joyce Tober. Our records are very sketchy for the next 20 years, but Tess was able to learn that William Kennedy and June Oury were presidents and that Arby M Haley, Harry J. Minnis, Jamie Leonard and T.H Oury joined them as officers during that time.

Since 2003 there has been a full complement of officers with: four presidents, (Michaelene Wagner, Tess Croft, Barbara Buke and Margene Stevens); seven vice presidents, (Rosella De Reimer, Agnes Pitlic, Ricky Campbell, Winnie Heiss, Tess Croft, Fatima Gutierrez and Autumn Lederfine); eight secretaries, (Elizabeth Pinder, Tess Croft, Jack Allen, Liz Strange, Cyndee Allen, Fatima Guitierrez, Derek Fowler and Christina Littrell); and six treasurers, (Joyce Tober, Barbara Brown, Mary Lou Broyles, Ricky Campbell, Jack Allen and Tess Croft.



If you have additional information about FoLL history that you would be willing to share, please contact Tess or me.

George Nye Jr. Library News

Once again, a big thank you is in order to the Friends for their fantastic support of the Summer Reading Program at the Nye Library! We had babies, school children, teens and adults all reading for incentives and great programs including art experiences, puppets, tropical birds, magic and music. Your support means that we are able to bring this wonderful program to the community every summer and we are more than grateful. You are a partner in our continuing commitment to bring educational enrichment to our community and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts!



We're gearing up for the fall and back to school with a **Building Block Party** with Richard Woloski on Fri. Sept. 23rd at 4. **Family Place Parent/Child workshops** also start again in Sept. and the **Bookmark Contest** in Oct. Halloween brings **Tony Daniel's magical Spooktacular** and we will again have **Reading with Dogs** in Nov. Art experiences will continue with **Crochet Club, teen art activities** and **holiday crafts**. As you can see we will be really busy but not too busy to greet our Friends! Please come by and see us!

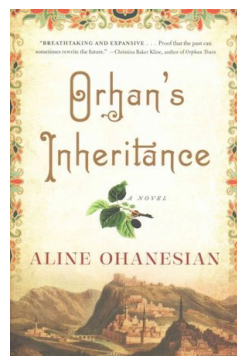
Carol Burke
Manager, George Nye Library

Iacoboni Volunteers - Book Recommendations

Orhan's Inheritance by Aline Ohanesian

I learned so much about the Armenian Genocide and the story was very well written. I couldn't put it down.

Sandy Simon



X by Sue Grafton

Very good! I enjoy how Kinsey is cautiously tiptoeing into the computer age. In this book, it is 1989 – a good read, with her usual solving the mystery with the help of her file index cards and (questionable) intuition.

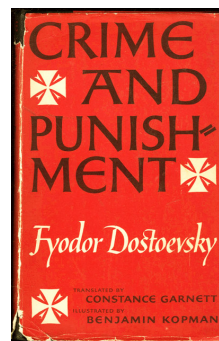
Anne Wilson



Make Me by Lee Child

Another Jack Reacher thriller was a captivating read. With the internet available to all, many unimaginable things are happening until the very end.

Sharon Heim



Crime and Punishment by Fyodor Dostoevsky

It is a fascinating story of redemption and salvation through suffering. Through an at-times comical, at other times heart-wrenching novel, Dostoevsky explores human nature's susceptibility to sin and regret and the consequences that can result from pride.

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**Friends of the
Lakewood Libraries**

**Save the date –
Annual Meeting, Nov. 6**

**All Board Meetings will be held at
6 p.m. in the Community Room at
Iacoboni Library.**

*Please continue to support our
Taste of Lakewood vendors
who made our event possible,
satisfying and especially
delicious!*

- Albertson's
- Black Angus Steakhouse
- Captain Jack's Coffee & Ice
Cream
- *Carmella's Kitchen
- Cassidy's Corner Café
- Costco
- Gourmet Churros
- *Heritage Family Restaurant
- *Hometown Buffet

- *Piazza Family McDonald's
- Mr. B's Kettle Corn
- Outback Steakhouse
- Pick Up Stix
- Round Table Pizza
- South Bay Italian Ices.
- StoneFire Grill
- Sugar from the Heart
- The Loft
- Wingstop
- Yogurtland
- *Indicates new vendors this year!

*Let them know how grateful we are for
their contributions every time you eat
there!*

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