



Newsletter

Fall 2018

The Friends Bookstore has Expanded

We've added three more shelves to our books-for-sale store located inside the library. It's located in the corner on the ground floor to the left of the computers. Our customers now have a bigger than ever selection of books to choose from. Our for-sale books are always current and are always in great condition. You can't beat the price: \$2.00 for hard covers and \$1.00 for paperbacks. Our books for kids, young adults and teens are just as reasonably priced: \$1.00 for hard covers and 50¢ for paperbacks.

Also, we're now selling 'gently read' magazines. They're 50¢ each.

Every penny goes to support the many varied SLO library offerings for all ages, such as Summer Reading Programs for kids and for adults; and programs such as the Fused Glass Workshop (6/9), the Valerie Johnson Blues Band (6/16), Roaming Reptiles (7/18), Rafael and Katia Bilingual Magic Show (7/25) and Music Trivia Night (8/8).

We also help pay for subscriptions to the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, Time Magazine, Entertainment Weekly and Atlantic Monthly, to name just a few.

NOTE: Please remember to put your payment for purchased books and magazines in the slot of the wooden box mounted on the wall near the magazines. It has a "pay here" sign on it. If you don't have exact change, please consider rounding up to make a donation.

Come check us out -- and thank you!

Cheri Jump and Sue Keller

Grant from the Harold J. Miozzi Charitable Trust

We are pleased to announce that the SLO Friends of the Library have received a \$13,200 grant from the [Harold J. Miozzi Charitable Trust](#) to fund “Discover the Natural World at your Library,” a series of programs beginning in January 2019 at the SLO Library. Over the past decade the Harold J. Miozzi Charitable Trust has granted over \$100,000 to the SLO Friends of the Library, funding several series of Science and Arts programs, as well as providing primary sponsorship for the [mural](#) in the Library entrance. We appreciate the long-term commitment of the Harold J. Miozzi Charitable Trust to the San Luis Obispo Library and community.

Margaret Haneberg, President

Library News

It's been an eventful summer here at the SLO Library, and we're taking a moment to reflect on all of our successful programs, as well as the many customers we've served these past few months. Our Summer Reading program was enormously popular as always. Nearly one thousand children and adults signed up and completed their challenges! Kudos go to our new Children's Librarian **Rebecca Parson**, who began her tenure during our busiest time of year, and managed all of our events and services with a steady hand and welcoming smile. We also can't forget to extend our thanks to all our industrious staff for their hard work this summer. Their positive attitude and energy make the library a welcoming space for everyone!

As the seasons change, our focus shifts back to work, school, or perhaps preparing for the holidays suddenly on the horizon. Here at the Library, our theme for this autumn is “Make It Happen @ Your Library.” We will be celebrating the “Maker” movement with a series of innovative, do-it-yourself (DIY) programs. What exactly are “Makers,” you might ask? Join us on September 25th at 5:30 in the Community Room for an “**Intro to the Maker Movement**,” and learn about this growing culture of inventors and artisans. Throughout the month of September, we will present a series of classes in partnership with **SLO MakerSpace** to give you the tools and ideas to be creative and “make it happen!” For those who enjoy crafts, you can register for a **Succulent Design Workshop** on September 15th, or our always popular **Fused Glass** art class on October 24th at 2:00. Both of these workshops are made possible by the Friends of the Library. Visit our website to register today, or to learn more details about all of these events.

In other news, Glen Matteson of the San Luis Obispo Railroad Museum will share historical reflections on passenger trains in his presentation “**The Streamliner Era**” on September 8th at 1:00. Ever been curious about what goes into recording an audiobook? Audiobook narrator Jim Seybert will stop by on September 22nd at 10:30 to give us some behind-the-scenes stories and samples of his work! On September 29th, we will host our very first comic convention, **SLO Comix Fair** – an event featuring games, comic books, snacks, and

activities for all ages. There will be costumed characters making appearances, so be ready to snap some pictures! On October 27th at 2:00, we'll be hosting the exciting program "**Astronomy for Everyone**," an event for all ages demonstrating how to explore the universe using a solar filter!

Autumn is the perfect time for reading...and writing! For the aspiring authors in our midst, we are hosting two writer's workshops this fall. "**Roll Up Your Sleeves**" with Sherry Shahan on November 3rd will focus on the art of refining and editing your work. Then, on December 1st, join us for a workshop with author Eldonna Edwards as she shares, "**Five Essential Elements of a Successful Writer**."

These are just a few highlights of our fall events. A complete listing of our upcoming programs is available online at www.slolibrary.org.

Thank you again to you, the Friends of the SLO Library, for supporting the library and providing the resources for many of these programs. We are so grateful for your daily efforts to make us the best Library we can be!

Monique Matta, Reference Librarian

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