#### March 2016

# Friends of the Foster City Library



#### President's Message

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. As always they were busy for our family and probably yours as well. It is now a new vear and we have made some changes in the Book Shop. Thanks to some of our volunteers and librarians, it has been thoroughly cleaned and reorganized. It was a lot of work but it looks great. We hope you enjoy the new look. If you haven't visited it in a while, please do so.

a new Board member. If anyone is interested in becoming a Board member, please let me know. We would welcome any new members.

We are also looking for someone who is interested in fundraising. If you are interested or know someone who is, please contact us. If you have an idea for fundraising, we would love to hear from you. An easy way to donate to the library is with a SHARES card at Lucky. When you shop at Lucky, you simply swipe your or donated to the Friends. The Board has changed its SHARES card and the Friends meeting date and we have receive a percentage of your I can be reached at purchases. We have cards

available if you would like one. If you would like to

have a message on a plaque, a brick or tile, that is another way to donate. We just installed messages for several donors

We are looking forward to Spring when the library will again host Thursday night concerts. They were a great success last year so the library is having them again this year. Thank you to all of you who attended and to those who became members

Jeanette@psvmcpa.com.

Jeanette Vasheresse

### Friends' Shop News

In January the Book Shop volunteers met at the library to discuss the revamp of the Friends' Shop. We were also interested in hearing from the volunteers their ideas for improving the book shop. The volunteers had some good ideas which are now being used. The Friends' Shop was redesigned to make it more user friendly. We took down the top shelves as they were too high for most people to read the titles or reach the shelves without a stool. In order to reduce our supply of books on hand and make it easier to redo the book shop, we had a \$5/bag sale in January. You will see that there are no books in front of other books so you can now read the titles. There is also new signage thanks to the librarians. We are going to put colored dots on the spines of the books so you can tell how long they have been on the shelf. Books with red dots were first shelved In February. Books first shelved in March will have green dots. This will make it easier for you and the volunteers to determine how long the books have been on the shelf. We hope you enjoy shopping in the Friends' Shop.

## Friends of the Library Board Members and Officers

Jeanette Vasheresse, President & Treasurer
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### Ways to Contribute

Book Spine (\$150-\$200) Brightly colored ceramic tiles in

the children's library resemble the spine of a book, with inscriptions of names of children, family members and pets.

> Contact Jim Watson, 650-574-5952

Library Brick (\$150-200)

Along the pathways and pillars approaching the library entrance.

Library Tile (\$350-\$500)

White stone tiles protected under the arcade along the front of the library.

Contact Jim Watson, 650-574-5952 Permanent Plaque (\$1000+)
Spaces are available on the permanent wall plaque just inside the library.

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# Bricks, Tiles, Book Spines and Plaques

The Brick, The Brick, Tile, Book Spine and Plaque Donor Recognition Program provides income for the continuing support of important programs at our local Library.

What does your gift to the Friends of the Library do? It provides the gift of a book to each child who completes the Summer Reading Program, a paid tutor for the Homework Center, puppet shows, animal encounters, children's concerts and arts and crafts. Adults enjoy cooking programs, the Jazz Festival, holiday celebrations, Pub Trivia, and Thursday evening concerts with wine and cheese.

The program is a great way to remember a loved one, possibly for Father's/Mother's Day, a graduation, or the birth of a child/grandchild. Prices start at just \$150 - very reasonable for a gift that will last for decades.

Friends of the Foster City Library is a 501(c)(3) organization. Contributions are TAX DEDUCTIBLE as permitted by Federal and State Law. For more information, you are welcome to call me during business hours at 650-574-5952.

# **Library Staff**

Anna Koch Library Branch Manager

Amy Selmi Youth Services Librarian

Conrad Yamamoto
Public Services Librarian

Wan Fwu Community Outreach Librarian

> Laura Liang Senior Librarian

Joanne Asbury Senior Library Assistant

Jennifer Luayon Circulation Supervisor

Evie Diaz Linda Napior Denise Sorensen Jamie Wong Library Assistants

# Membership

Many thanks to these new/renewing members and donors as of February 19, 2016.

Flavia Borellini Laura Burkard Joan Carlson Bob & Flo Chancellor Gretta Csatho Richard & Margaret Divine Foster City Preschool & Day Care Elizabeth Haywood Daniel & Barbara Lee Eileen Listgarten Charlie Maguire Julie Mancuso Janet McAuley Carol Petersen

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### **Upcoming Library Events**

#### JAZZ IN THE LIBRARY

Charged Particles - Thursday, April 7 at 6:30 pm Swing Fever - Thursday, April 14 at 6:30 pm Paul Vornhagen Trio - Thursday, April 21 at 6:30 pm Bowditch Jazz Band - Thursday, May 12 at 6:30 pm

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

Hungrytown Music Concert - Thursday, March 16 at 6:30 pm
Holi Festival Music Concert - Friday, March 25 at 7:00 pm
Asian Art Museum at 50 Docent Lecture - Saturday, March 26 at 3:00 pm
Oscar de la Renta Docent Lecture - Saturday, April 9 at 3:00 pm
Multilingual Fair - Saturday, April 30 (all day)
Summer Celebration & Open House - Saturday, June 11 from 10 am-1 pm

#### **ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMS**

Meditation - Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am; 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm Mystery Book Club - First Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm Adult Reading Group - 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm ESL Conversation Group - every Thursday at 1:30 pm

#### PROGRAMS FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES

Ventriloquist Tony Borders and Crazy Critters - Tuesday, March 1 at 6:30 pm Rhythm & Language with Jump for Joy Music - Thursday, March 31 at 2:00 pm Earth Day with Eco-tainment, Featuring Rock Steady Juggling - Wednesday, April 20 at 7:00 pm

#### Staff Profile



Laura Liang is Foster City Library's newest staff member, joining the team as our Senior Librarian. She joins the staff in March 2016. Laura received her MSLIS in 2014 from the Pratt Institute and holds a BA in Social Welfare with a minor in Education from the University of California, Berkeley. Prior to coming to Foster City, Laura has worked in the New York Public Library as a Senior Librarian with a focus on youth series. She has served in a diverse community, providing reference services and resource recommendations. She has been a lead in the development of programs to promote reading, lifelong learning and digital literacy.

Laura is bilingual in English and Cantonese. Outside of the library, she enjoys running, going to movies, and long walks to the fridge. We're excited to have Laura on board and know

she's a terrific fit for the Foster City Library community. Welcome to the Foster City Library, Laura!



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