

Issue #53



MARY'S CORNER

Hello Lakeside Community!

First of all, I want to say THANK YOU! Thank you for your patience with us as we navigate this unprecedented time alongside all of you. Thank you for your smiles and being so happy to see us when you come to the door to pick up your items. Thank you for remembering to wear a facial covering so that our staff is safe. Thank you for being understanding about your returns being quarantined for a period of time before we check them in. Thank you for continuing to value your library. We value each and every one of you.

DID YOU KNOW?

Since we opened for door-side service on June 11th:

- We've checked out over 750 items
- We've had over 250 people come to pick up those items

Since we began taking returns on July 13th:

- We've checked in almost 1,000 items
- We've received 38 boxes of items in our Friday deliveries
- We've packed 40 boxes for our delivery driver to take to other branches, which is close to 1,000 items!

Here are some dates to remember:

- Free COVID testing at the Lakeside Library/Community Center parking lot:
 - **Thursday** July 30th
 - **Wednesday** August 12
 - **Thursday** August 27th

August 2020

Q & A with a librarian!

Are you taking returns?

- Yes! We accept returns Monday-Friday between 10 am and 4 pm in our **outside** book-drops. We must quarantine all library materials for 4 days, so one of our book-drops is labeled **Monday, Wednesday, Friday**, and our other one **Tuesday, Thursday**.

When are my library books due and will I have late fees?

- All County Library materials have a current due date of December 31st. Link+ and Circuit items have a due date of July 31st, and *some* of them can be renewed. No fines were assessed while we were closed.

How can I apply for a library card?

- You can apply for a library card online! Go to www.sdcl.org and on the Home Page, click on **Get an eCard for digital access**. You will be taken to a page that gives you directions. *These digital cards are only for checking out digital items*. Check back with the branch to see when we can issue library cards for physical items.

I've forgotten my pin number, how can I reset it?

1. Visit www.sdcl.org
2. Click on **My Library Account**.
3. Click on the **Forget Your PIN?** button.
4. Type in your 14-digit barcode number from your library card.
5. An email message will be sent to the email address associated with your account. Follow the instructions in the email to reset your PIN.

Stay safe, healthy and connected,

Mary Elder



ERIC JONES
ASSISTANT BRANCH MANAGER

My name is Eric Jones and I've been the Assistant Branch Manager at the Lakeside branch for about five years and have been with the County of San Diego for about 17 years. I've lived in East County my whole life.

The first branch I worked for was the old Spring Valley branch. I worked there for about a year at which time, the County built a whole new building. I feel fortunate to experience what it's like to transition into a brand new facility and see all the fantastic new possibilities as well as the challenges.



When I was working at a previous job and directionless, I had struck up a conversation with a regular customer who turned out to be an Administrator from the San Diego County Library who saw some potential in me. She told me about what the library does and encouraged me to apply. It turned out to be the best career decision for me to make.



While working with the County, I've been assigned to four different branches in East County and South Bay. I've had the opportunity to organize multiple countywide chess tournaments, talent shows for Bonita, and reach out to our sister library team with San Diego Public

library for some friendly competition.

On my off time, I enjoy creating art and listening to music.

"One glance at a book and you hear the voice of another person, perhaps someone dead for 1,000 years. To read is to voyage through time."

- Carl Sagan

YOUR GIFT MATTERS!!

Last month we touched on our Lakeside Friends Budget and where your membership and monetary donations go to help support our Lakeside Library. This month we're going to tell you about the need when we open back up:

\$2,000 Robotics programming directed towards youth and teens

\$1,500 is used for the Summer Reading Program – ongoing even with Covid-19 as there are workbooks for all ages.

\$200 is used to purchase ear buds and flash drives for patrons to check-out and keep

\$100 Teen Overnight Lock-In Program – cancelled for this year...but next year – I'm still hopeful.

FUNDRAISING

We could use your help! As a non-profit we have not been able to raise money this year due to Covid-19. Every Donation to the Lakeside Friends of the Library (www.lakesidecafriends.org) stays with our Lakeside library. You love our library, I believe you appreciate what our library does for our community in normal times.

We just are not seeing an income; we are not seeing our memberships increase which is income for our library.

No money is used to pay for stamps, envelopes, printing or basic operations...all community volunteers, and all out of our own pockets.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of giving a donation. We can and will provide you with a tax deductible acknowledgement.

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"You may have tangible wealth untold. Caskets of jewels and coffers of gold. Richer than I you can never be – I had a mother who read to me." -

- Strickland Gillilan



BOARD MEETINGS



August meeting has been canceled due to Covid-19.

The Friends of the Lakeside Library normally meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at the library. All members are welcome! Contact us to ask questions or to volunteer your time. We can be reached at 619-631-5614. Leave a message and someone will return your call, or e-mail us at lakesidecafriends@gmail.com

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T-SHIRT SALES

"I'd Rather Be Reading" T-Shirts are now available for purchase in both men's and women's sizes for \$15. They are in the library and make a great gift for any book lover.



2020 Census

The 2020 Census takes just a few moments to complete. **It's Quick and easy. Go to website:** <https://2020census.gov>

Or Call:

English: 844-330-2020 Spanish: 844-468-2020

Your response matters. Health clinics. Fire departments. Schools. Even roads and highways....and Libraries. The census can shape many different aspects of your community.

Census results help determine how billions of dollars in federal funding flow into states and communities each year.

MEMBERSHIP

We are grateful for all of our Lakeside Friends. We hope that you will continue to support this group. Becoming a member will keep you informed about library activities including progress toward the new library. There are many benefits to becoming a member of the Lakeside Friends of the Library. Members receive this newsletter, receive the latest updates on the new library, are entitled to free opportunity drawing tickets at designated events, get specials at book sales, may attend Board meetings and are invited to the yearly general membership meetings.

Individual membership - \$15 / year
 Senior membership - \$10 / year
 Family membership - \$25 / year
 Organization/Corporate membership - \$75 / year
 Lifetime membership - \$150

Monetary donations of \$500 or more shall be granted Lifetime Membership and all its privileges.

NEW MEMBERS

You can renew your membership in person at the library (once we reopen), on our website lakesidecafriends.org, or mail your check with your name, address, phone number, email and type of membership to Lakeside Friends of the Library, 9839 Vine St., Lakeside, CA 92040.



Thank you for supporting the Lakeside Friends of the Library.



Please visit our website

www.lakesidecafriends.org and like us and follow us on Facebook. Thank you!



WHAT ARE YOU READING???

Tell us about it by going to our Facebook page or to our website: www.lakesidecafriends.org visit Contact Us and let us know what you are reading with a short review and we will try to publish some in our newsletter. While you're there also complete our Survey Questionnaire as we truly are going to still be getting a new Lakeside Library...with shovel in the ground December 2020.

Terry Burke-Eiserling (Friends Chair)

I adore a woman writer named Nora Ephron. Nothing heavy, always fun! Remember the movies "When Harry Met Sally" or "Sleepless in Seattle," both written and directed by Nora Ephron who passed away in June 2012.

I had just finished reading "Wallflower at the Orgy"...a book about people watching (in my opinion) not so much about an Orgy! Ha! I'm reading "The Last Interview" a compilation of various interviews that were done with her about her style of writing over several years.

It is very interesting to read how a woman writer of her level of humor is perceived by the print media and how she would adjust her thinking and writing style to accommodate each piece of work or choose not to write a particular piece because of the demands being asked of her. She would not compromise who she was...I like that a lot! She's just a kick to read as she is funny, a feminist of sorts, a friend, and her love/hate relationship with men, and food, all done with humor.

She also wrote "I Feel Bad about My Neck" and "I Remember Nothing."

Martha Morrison (Friends Member at Large)

During the past few months, I have enjoyed rereading my collection of Chicken Soup for the Soul books. If you looked on my nightstand now you might find "Chicken Soup for the Cat Lover's Soul" or even "Chicken Soup for the Golden Soul," heartwarming stories for people 60 and older. The stories can inspire and lift you up when times are hard with smiles and laughter too. There are so many topics the series cover, for all ages and interests, that I think everyone could find at least one to enjoy. I know that they have been a real blessing to me.

Michael Evans-Layng (Friends Secretary/Grants)

I'm a historian by training and I'm especially a fan of what's called intellectual history, which is just a hifalutin way of saying the history of what people think. Quite often this kind of history overlaps with social, economic, and political history. I have recently discovered a political historian, Professor Heather Cox Richardson of Boston College, who specializes in the history of the United States. I have a book of hers to recommend to you: "How the South Won the Civil War."

It's not a long book as histories go but it covers the full sweep of our history from a perspective I had never encountered before. Namely, that the American experiment is built upon a paradox. And that paradox is that subservience, even servitude, is a necessary aspect of the American concept of Liberty. This may strike you as counterintuitive (it did me), but she makes her case brilliantly.

I have rarely encountered such a clear thinker and writer, nor have I, despite her clarity, had to reread so many passages in order to appreciate the nuances of her thesis. This book is absolutely not a paean to the Confederacy, racism, or slavery. But it elucidates better than anything else I've read how we have ended up in the inflammatory situation we find ourselves in as a country today.

CONTRIBUTION JARS



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Lakeside Café ~ Allie's Gifts ~ Boll Weevil

