

## Issue #84



### MARY'S CORNER

Hello Lakeside Community!

#### Update: We did it!!

- I am thrilled to announce that we opened the doors of our beautiful new library on a very rainy March 1<sup>st</sup>! It was so incredible to see all the reactions of this community, as customers walked in for the first time. This is what is called a "Soft Open" which means that we are open for limited services during normal hours, and it gives us time to test everything and ensure everything in the building works as it should.
- Our Grand Opening will be at 10:00 am on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Supervisor Anderson's office is working with the library to make this an event to remember. We will have activities for adults, teens, and children, giveaways, and tours of our magnificent new library. We can't wait to see you there!
- I'd like to take a moment to thank all of our Friends of the Library board members and all of the Donors that made this new library a reality. We are so grateful, and we can't wait to serve this community. ♥

#### What's happening now:

- Programming Break**
  - Library programs will resume the week of March 27<sup>th</sup>.



## March 2023

#### Did you know?

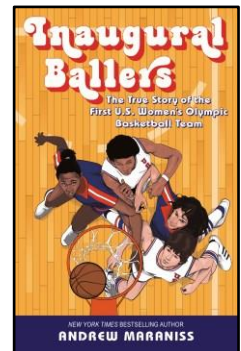
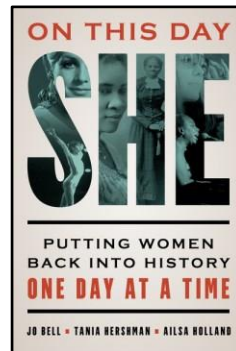
- The new library is over 16,000 square feet.
- We have a 2,000 square foot community room that can be divided into two spaces
- The art and theming of the new library focuses on the natural beauty of Lakeside, and you can even find ducks and birds inside our Children's area.

#### Closures:

The library will be closed on Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, for the Cesar Chavez Holiday

#### March is Women's History Month

Check out these books in our catalogue:



Stay safe, healthy and connected,

Mary Elder

Lakeside  
FRIENDS  
OF THE LIBRARY



**BOARD MEETINGS**

The March meeting will be held on March 8, 2023, at 3:30 pm at the new library.

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](mailto:lakesidecafriends@gmail.com)

**Board Members:**

Chairperson:	Terry Burke-Eiserling
Co-Chairperson:	Joan Tilley
Secretary/Grants:	Michael Evans-Layng
Treasurer/Bookstore Mgr	Caprice Hubbard Sander
Assistant to Treasurer:	Leslie Ward
Membership/Hospitality:	Vacant
Newsletter:	Sharon Smith
Webmaster:	Debbie Miller
Educational/Comm. Liaison:	Nina Drammissi
Facebook/Social Media:	Arline Critchlow
Community Relations Spec.:	Martha Morrison

**MEMBERSHIP**

We are grateful for all of our Lakeside Friends. We hope that you will continue to support this group. Many of our members took advantage of attending our Sneak Peek event on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Everyone was delighted to see this wonderful addition to the Lakeside Community.

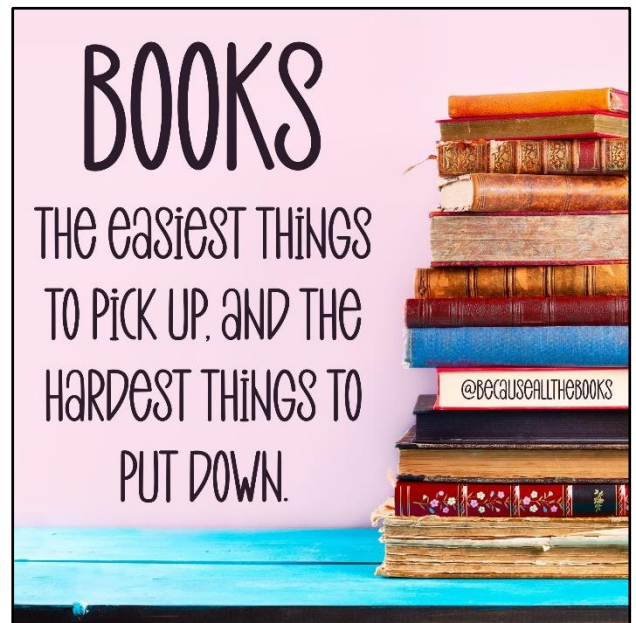
There are many benefits to becoming a member of the Lakeside Friends of the Library. Members receive the latest updates on the new library, are entitled to free opportunity drawing tickets at designated events, get specials at book sales, may attend Board meetings and are invited to the yearly general membership meetings.

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

You can renew your membership in person at the library, on our website [lakesidecafriends.org](http://lakesidecafriends.org), or mail your check with your name, address, phone number, email and type of membership to Lakeside Friends of the Library, 12428 Woodside Avenue, Lakeside, CA 92040.

Thank you to the following members for joining us or renewing their membership:

- Theresa Ward - Individual
- Karen Stanford – Senior
- Pennie McMahon – Senior
- William Carter – Senior
- Larry Gobble – Senior
- Nancy Ryan – Senior
- Cheryl Bulat – Family
- Jill Conti – Family
- Nancy DeGrief – Senior
- Larry DeGrief – Senior
- Adrienne Lostaunau – Senior
- Ronel Sidney – Lifetime
- Bob Campbell – Senior
- Sandra Campbell – Senior
- Kiki Parsons – Family
- Barbara Dillion – Senior
- Colleen Dillion – Individual
- Pat Meachum – Senior



*Everything you need for better future and success has already been written. Guess what? All you have to do is go to the library.*

*Henri Frederic Amiel*



## **THE BEST LITTLE BOOK STORE IN LAKESIDE aka The Only Bookstore in Lakeside**

The only bookstore in Lakeside is debuting in March. The Lakeside Friends of the Library is opening a used bookstore inside the new Lakeside Library. We have various items for sale due to the community's generous donations. There are fiction books in all genres plus non-fiction books about subjects such as gardening, art, cooking, history, crafts/sewing/quilting, self-help, etc. We have a selection of newer hardbacks, autographed books, vintage books, sheet music, puzzles and more. We also have T-Shirts and tote bags with our logo for sale. Everything is sold at very reasonable prices.

If interested in volunteering, please stop by and pick up an application. It's a lovely space. This will be our main fundraising source. We hope you will support us through your purchases and donations.

For now, we are limiting donations to one small box or two grocery bags of books. Our donation days will be Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Call 619-219-6709 for more information during bookstore hours.

### **Our hours will be:**

Monday	11:00 am - 4:00 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>12:00 pm - 4:00 pm</b>
Wednesday	11:00 am - 4:00 pm
Thursday	11:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday	11:00 am - 4:00 pm
Saturday	11:00 am - 4:00 pm



## **BOOK REVIEW**

### **The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes** by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Sometimes there's just no substitute. I know Sir Arthur Conan Doyle grew weary of the world's original Consulting Detective, Mr. Sherlock Holmes, and killed him off in one of his stories—only to feel moved to resurrect him and write many more stories. I'm glad he did bring him back! Holmes can be charming or abrasive, patient or abrupt, he can be fiercely serious or laugh at himself, but he is always brilliant.

The Sherlock Holmes canon is one of the richest literary Mother Lodes I have ever mined, whether reading them by myself, aloud first to my wife, then my daughter, watching the outstanding British production with Jeremy Brett as Holmes, or, as now, listening to them read by Stephen Fry. The stories never cease to seize my imagination with their vivid descriptions, knotty conundrums, brilliant analyses, and the deep, remarkable friendship between Holmes and Dr. Watson.

Sir Arthur may indeed have wanted liberation from Holmes, but I, as one reader and listener, am glad he persevered in producing the body of work that encompasses the career of Sherlock Holmes. If you're a fan of mysteries, I can recommend none better. If you're a fan of great writing, the same. There are novels to read and short stories. You can read from beginning to end or dip in here and there. There's nothing I've encountered quite like the stories of Sherlock Holmes, and I commend them to you, heartily.

Michael Evans-Layng, Friends Secretary/Grants

## LIBRARY SNEAK PEEK

On February 28<sup>th</sup>, the Lakeside Friends of the Library hosted a Sneak Peek of our new library for its members and donors to the new library. It was attended by 78 very excited people, including Miguel Acosta, Library Director.

Everyone enjoyed wonderful food provided by Lakeside Café, including their famous cinnamon rolls, so yummy. After a short presentation on the history of the Friends group and the library itself, people were invited to tour the library where staff members were stationed at various points in the library to answer any questions.

Though it was a cold night it didn't keep our members, who have been waiting so long, away. The rain did stay away until the event was over (thank you).

Everyone received a goodie bag upon leaving. People seemed to have a wonderful time and expressed their delight with the new library.



## STRANGE LIBRARY FACTS

**J.K. Rowling's original *Harry Potter* pitch was rejected by 12 different publishers before Bloomsbury accepted it.**

But her struggles did not end here – she had to adopt the *nom de plume* J. K. Rowling, because, as her publisher argued, the title sounded like a boys' book to him, and he believed boys preferred books by male authors.

“Over a period of nearly a year, the book was turned down by more or less every major publishing house in the UK”, Rowling's first agent, Christopher Little, revealed.

**The Japanese language has a word to denote letting reading materials pile up in one's home and never read them – *tsundoku*.**

The term originated in the Meiji era as Japanese slang and is a combination of two words – *tsunde-oku* (to pile things up ready for later) and *dokusho* (reading books).

There's also an English word that can be used to describe loving the smell of old books – *bibliosmia*, and one to express fear of running out of reading material – *abibliophobia*.

**The titular raven in Edgar Allan Poe's Gothic classic was initially supposed to be... a parrot.**

Poe wondered how he could have his one-word refrain, “nevermore”, continuously repeated throughout the poem – and the first thing that came to his mind was a parrot.

The bird's flamboyance, however, did not fit well with the grim nature of the work, and in the end, Poe decided to replace it with a raven.