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The Mission

To enhance the San Diego Public Library System so that it may fulfill its literary, educational, technological, community, and cultural purposes.

The Vision

To provide a thriving and sustainable library system accessible to all.

Friends of the San Diego Public Library

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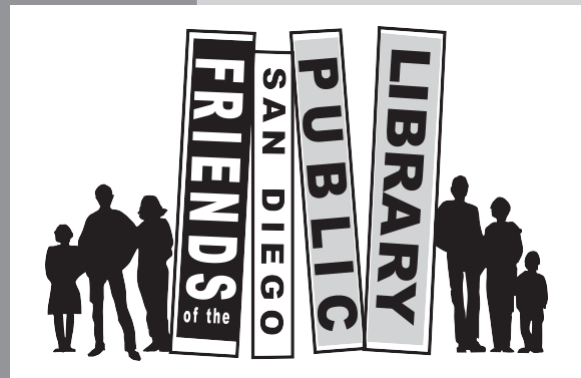
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Annual Meeting

June 8, 2024

**The Friends of the San Diego Public Library
Celebrates Our 45th Year.**

We salute our past leaders for their extraordinary contributions to the Friends organization.

FSDPL Past Presidents

<i>Murray W. Duberstein*</i>	<i>1978-1980</i>
<i>Irene Weber</i>	<i>1980-1981</i>
<i>Dorothy Kerrigan*</i>	<i>1981-1983</i>
<i>Alex Summers</i>	<i>1983-1985</i>
<i>Betty Sherman*</i>	<i>1985-1986</i>
<i>Margaret Demaray*</i>	<i>1986-1987</i>
<i>Virginia Richardson</i>	<i>1987-1989</i>
<i>Solomon Rosenbaum*</i>	<i>1989-1991</i>
<i>Evelyn Moore*</i>	<i>1991-1993</i>
<i>Parker Foster</i>	<i>1993-1995</i>
<i>Thomas Jamieson</i>	<i>1995-1997</i>
<i>Alberta Waggoner</i>	<i>1997-1999</i>
<i>Jack Winer*</i>	<i>1999-2001</i>
<i>Katie Sullivan</i>	<i>2001-2003</i>
<i>Cecily McEuen*</i>	<i>2003-2005</i>
<i>Vickie Church</i>	<i>2005-2010</i>
<i>John McAllister*</i>	<i>2010-2011</i>
<i>Ann McDonald</i>	<i>2012-2013</i>
<i>Joan F. Curry</i>	<i>2013-2016</i>
<i>Joan Reese</i>	<i>2016-2022</i>
<i>Ann McDonald</i>	<i>2022-2023</i>
<i>FSDPL Executive Director Emeritus (volunteer)</i>	
<i>Frances Pierce</i>	<i>1978-2019</i>

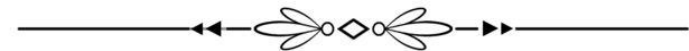
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OUR VOLUNTEERS!

We could not do it without our fabulous volunteers!

Our volunteers and their passion for libraries are the lifeblood of our organization. Our volunteers contribute their skills, expertise, and tens of thousands of hours of their time each year to promote our vision and mission in support of our library system.

Today we are pleased to recognize volunteers who throughout the past year have contributed in so many ways: sorting, pricing and selling books, picking up and delivering truckloads of donated books, hoisting heavy boxes, making bank deposits, balancing checkbooks, designing and maintaining websites, sending (and reading) emails, attending all sorts of meeting, writing thank you letters editing newsletters and board meetings to City Council meetings, writing thank you letters, editing newsletters, booking concerts, serving refreshments, hosting story hours, designing logos, making posters, writing press releases, repairing library materials and equipment, planning and hosting special events, staffing tables at community events, participating in parades, purchasing supplies, refreshments and water, serving as ambassadors for the Friends and our Libraries in the community, reading essays, keeping minutes, writing reports, collecting and reporting volunteer hours, applying for grants, making financial donations to support branch libraries, soliciting donations, contributing ideas . . . and the list goes on.



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Candidate Information for Board Nominees

OFFICER: Secretary

DIRECTORS: Nolan Breymaier

Nolan is a recent addition to FSDPL as a board member and is looking forward to sharing a passion for reading with the community. He has fond memories of library trips with his family for as long as he can remember, and he wants to make sure others have the same opportunity. He's worked in the aerospace and defense, consulting, and mortgage banking industries as a financial professional for over 10 years. He enjoys being outside as much as possible including hiking, playing softball, and anything involving water.

Gordon Gidlund

Gordon is a tax attorney, originally from Wisconsin, who is active in several other nonprofits groups, such as the Shakespeare Society, the Civil War Round Table, and the Outreach Endowments Committee of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church. He lives with his wife Linda in Mission Valley.

Gene Long

Gene is a graduate from Brandon High School in Florida and attended the University of South Florida. Professionally he worked for the First National Bank of Tampa beginning in 1972 after finishing college. Heading west he first lived in San Francisco and relocated to San Diego in 1999. He retired from Fidelity National Information Services in 2016.

Jan Peterson

Jan is a retired publishing professional who worked in the field of peer-reviewed scientific journals. She was part of the team at Academic Press (now Elsevier) that brought the first journals onto the internet, with responsibility for content licensing. Jan was also involved with various publishing standards organizations, serving as Chair of National Information Standards Organization (NISO). She is now Secretary of the Friends of the Kensington-Normal Heights Library and a dedicated Garden Steward at Balboa Park.

Sam Yoeuth

Sam is a Library Foundation Trustee and a Marketing & Communications Committee member. She also serves as the President of the Serra Mesa-Kearney Mesa Friends of the Library. She has recently been nominated to represent District 7 as a Library Commissioner. She has worked in the Aerospace industry for over 15 years and has had a lifelong passion as an avid reader. Her hobbies include sending New Yorker comic Clippings to friends, buying books for strangers at restaurants, and watching her husband cook.

45th Annual Meeting

**Friends of the San Diego Public Library
Annual Awards and Election of Officers**

Saturday, June 8, 2024

**San Diego Central Library
@ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common
Shiley Suite**

**9:30am: Refreshments and Registration
10am – 12pm: Annual Meeting**



FSDPL Honors

**Affiliated Chapters • Associated Chapters
Chapter Volunteers Corporate • FSDPL Volunteers**

President's Report 2023 – 2024

Another year has come and gone – how time flies! It's been a banner year for the Friends – our 45th year of action in service to the San Diego Public Library system.

There have been many milestones – the Central library (10 years), Scripps Ranch (30), San Carlos (50), and University Heights (110) branches all had anniversary celebrations. The new Library Master Plan was adopted by the City Council and construction projects at Pacific Highlands Ranch, Oak Park, San Carlos, and Ocean Beach made forward progress.

Book sales continued their climb back to pre-pandemic levels, and many chapters added new members. It's wonderful to see our ranks growing. Book bans made national headlines, and even in San Diego we faced an action at the Rancho Peñasquitos branch by individuals who would limit others' access to titles. Our local community response, however, was overwhelming – tens of thousands of dollars were raised to replace the books held hostage in a massive vote of community confidence for the Right to Read.

FSDPL granted E. T. Perry awards to three chapters, awarded five McAllister Scholarships to staff applicants, and sent \$25,000 to the Library Matching Funds to help library staff attend the upcoming American Library Association conference in San Diego. In addition, the Library Foundation SD completed repayment of the loan we made to help establish the Library Shop when Central was built. It's wonderful to see our support making a lasting impact!

Our Advocacy efforts were essential when the Mayor proposed drastic cuts to the Library department in his draft for next year's City budget. Thanks to all who came out and spoke out; it seems as though the cuts have at least been restored. That said, the current State of City finances means that we won't be able to count on the City to fund the much-needed maintenance and expansions set out in the Master Plan. New sources of funding will need to be identified. We will be working in the next year to increase our state and federal outreach, collaborating with our partner organizations in the County and across the state to ensure that legislators know that libraries are essential infrastructures and need to be properly funded.

I am grateful for each and every one of the Friends; your dedication, support, and commitment to the San Diego Public Library system is inspiring. Together we can do anything! Thank you.

Pat Wilson, President, Friends of San Diego Public Library

40 New Life Members for 2023-2024

<i>Martha Abraham</i>	<i>Roy Long</i>
<i>Downie R. Beckett</i>	<i>Zee Ann MacDonald-</i>
<i>Amy & Anthony</i>	<i>Mason</i>
<i>Bernal</i>	<i>Patrice Maller</i>
<i>Dr. Monique Bernard</i>	<i>Samm McDonald</i>
<i>Sarah Clayton</i>	<i>Francine Nickell</i>
<i>Val Crane</i>	<i>Francina Pinillos</i>
<i>Daniel Dalton</i>	<i>W. Rodamor</i>
<i>Judy Edelbute</i>	<i>Patricia Santana</i>
<i>Tana Elzankaly</i>	<i>Steward Shaw</i>
<i>Vivienne Esrig</i>	<i>Susan Gail Shatsky</i>
<i>Charlotte Fortier</i>	<i>Eloise Thomas</i>
<i>Kara Janowsky</i>	<i>Alex Titus</i>
<i>Jill Kent</i>	<i>Allyson Tutor</i>
<i>Lisa King</i>	<i>JH Utschig</i>
<i>Daniel Grofer</i>	<i>Holly Valberding</i>
<i>Martin Grove</i>	<i>Eileen Ward</i>
<i>Vonnie Grover</i>	<i>Betty Waznis</i>
<i>Ellen Kroll</i>	<i>Allison Wood</i>
<i>Kathleen Kuttler</i>	<i>Kevin Wood</i>
<i>Chuck Leib</i>	<i>Eden Yarge</i>

2023-2024 FSDPL Board of Directors

Officers

President	Pat Wilson
First Vice President	Richard Busch
Second Vice President	Gene Long
Secretary	Christa Gush
Treasurer	Jean Coddington

Elected Directors

Nolan Breymaier, Sarah Clayton, Gordon Gidlund
Andrew Rose, Carolyn Satter, Sam Yoeuth

About the Friends of the San Diego Public Library

The Friends of the San Diego Public Library (FSDPL) is a non-profit public benefit corporation formed in 1978 to assist the City of San Diego's public library system. Each year our organization provides a rallying point to bring attention to the budget process supporting the library system and the diverse public needs being served. FSDPL has a long history of effective library advocacy in addition to its role in providing substantial financial support for the San Diego Public Library.

We currently have 34 affiliate chapters which operate under FSDPL's nonprofit status plus two associate (separately incorporated) chapters; we're looking forward to inaugurating a 35th affiliate when the new Pacific Highlands Ranch branch open later this fall.

Volunteer Hours for the 2023-2024 year are still being totaled; in the first half of this year, more than 300 volunteers had donated almost 15,000 hours of time. The 36 Friends' chapters, together with our cadre of dedicated volunteers working at our corporate book sale and office, comprise several hundred volunteers who work tens of thousands of hours each year on behalf of the organization and our library system.

Please welcome new Life Members! Invite a friend to join us by giving them a membership application envelope. Members of FSDPL's affiliate chapters are automatically enrolled as members of FSDPL and are thus eligible to vote at the Annual Meeting. Our Friends are avid library supporters, and some are members of multiple chapters.

Fundraising activities include new memberships (new, renewed, and life) planned events, and—of course, used book sales. Our chapters may staff bookstores at their branch libraries, have extensive self-serve shelves or carts of books for sale, hold periodic special book sales, and/or sell books online. FSDPL holds a legendary monthly weekend-long book sale at our University Heights location in addition to robust online sales. Information about all Friends' book sales are posted on our website. Money raised is donated to the library system through the Matching Fund, effectively doubling the impact, and as direct gifts to support the library.

Some chapters publish newsletters which are available online and mailed or emailed to let members know about library events and to publicize book sales and other Friends' activities. Visit our FSDPL website (friendsofsdpl.org) for links to chapter websites.

Program

Welcome

Pat Wilson, President

Treasurer's Report

Jean Coddington, Treasurer

Introduction of Candidates and Election

Gene Long, Chair, Nominating Committee

Candidates for FSDPL Board Positions (2-year term) & Secretary

Bylaws Approval

Featured Speakers

Ann McDonald, Past President, FSDPL

Joan Reese, Past President, FSDPL

Updates

Misty Jones, Director, San Diego Public Library

Renee Schorr, Library Foundation SD

Scott Ehrig-Burgess, Manager Library Shop

Recognition of Volunteers

Closing Remarks

Pat Wilson



The Friends of the San Diego Public Library 2023 – 2024 Volunteers

Corporate Headquarters
Jean Coddingham
Lisa Heinz

Book Sale
Maureen Markey
Rebecca Papendick
Marcia Solini
Barbara Stevens

Balboa
Marcus Croy
Judy Edelblute
Shannon Strack

Beckwourth
Francisco Hernandez
Danielle Sanchez
Vicky Sanchez
Alicia Serrato

Benjamin
Geri Carmack
Sheree McMurray
Sheila Padgett
Betsy Wallace

Carmel Mountain Ranch
Maureen Longdo

Carmel Valley
Colleen Delroy
Linda Daniels

Central Library
Tony Abroad
Andres Honold
Jim Mees
Craig Morgan

Clairemont
Ann Gary
Edna O'Grady
Anne Ricart
David Schumacher

Kensington Normal Heights
Beth Guepin
Carolyn Satter

La Jolla
Margi Bingham
Maria Clarkson
Nan Feldon
Joe Mann

Linda Vista
Darrell Burrow
Christa Gush
Luan Pham
George Wargo

Logan Heights
Patricia McFadden

Oak Park
Katie Busco
Vicki Church
Johannes Long
Andrew Welsh

Malcolm X Valencia Park
Angela Conliffe
Renard Hilliard
Felicia Morrow
Gloria Verdieu

Mission Valley
Arlene Stanfield

North Clairemont
Angela Campenella
Margaret Hennig
Dominique Lenoir
Anthony Ross

North Park
Katy Bailey
Theresa Chung

North University Community
Diane Romito
Patty Sherron

Ocean Beach
Dr. Giovanni Chimienti
Lorraine Goerke
Robyn Massey
Judith Miller

Otay Mesa
Charlotte Currey
Sedgwick
Jeanne Dickey
Leticia Gonzalez

Pacific Beach
Carol Beales
Marilyn Dryer
Minnie Minnito
Diana Susselman

Paradise Hills
Jean Coddingham
Judy Kravetz
Charlotte Stewart
Connie Vickers

Point Loma
Ginny Buerger
Pete Buerger
Gail Geddies
Ellen MacVein

Rancho Bernardo
Marsha Bercuson
Susan Boetter
Stephanie Knish
Cyndy Rotolo

Rancho Peñasquitos
Bill Coddingham
Beth Flannery
Kathleen Cashman-Kramer
Karen Siegel

San Carlos
Marcy Anderson
Lara Ferguson
Leesa Mouw
Kathy Ruiz

San Ysidro
Maria Curiel
Consuelo Delgaldillo
Benjamin Fuentes
Martha Jacobo

Scripps Ranch
Shivani Dhillon
Terry Flores
Susan Haas

Serra Mesa
Raylene Beebe
Susan Castigilone
Cindy Moore
Tera Vanno

Skyline Hills
Chetney Clark
Kim Laru
Amanda Izaguirre
Lumm
Francia Pinillos

Tierrasanta
Cynthia Davis

University Community
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Cheryl Ward
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University Heights
Laura Camarillo
Vivienne Esrig
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all of our...
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Fabulous
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Amazing
Dedicated
Brilliant
Rock Star
volunteers!

