

Fall 2014

Newsletter

Friends of the Nipomo Library

FROM YOUR FRIENDS OF THE NIPOMO LIBRARY PRESIDENT

“There is nothing permanent in life, except change.” said philosopher, Heraclitus. This is true in our lives and certainly at the Library. Although sometimes change can be stressful, all of us eventually adapt to what is new. Some have even gone so far to state that “Variety is the spice of life.” It keeps us on our toes and adds interest to our lives.

Change is occurring at our Library. Depending on one’s viewpoint, it can be stressful or even an improvement. While we have all enjoyed our interim branch manager, Margaret Kensinger-Klopfer, we will be saddened to see her leave and return to her position at the County Library. Yet, we look forward to meeting our new librarian, who will surely bring new ideas and vitality to our great Nipomo Library. Although we do not yet know who this person will be, we know that change is inevitable and sometimes necessary, and in the long run, our Library will gain new benefits and vitality.

Our Friends of the Nipomo Library is also changing. An election is taking place that will surely bring new ideas and enthusiasm to our group. Some new members may be added, others are retiring, but in the long run, as with all changes, the benefits outweigh the stress of change. I urge you all to vote when you receive your ballots.

This is my last letter as your president of the group. While the three years have gone by quickly, I think that it is time for new ideas and enthusiasm. I have thoroughly enjoyed my role as leader and I am proud of our many accomplishments. One only needs to look around the Library to see our thriving branch; from new books, thanks to your generous membership, to children’s programs; from new computers, to our school-library outreach program; from our busy volunteers, to our silent auction windows; from our book sales, to our community Friends’ Fair! Our branch Library is better because of our group and your membership.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your president and I know I will see you all around the Library. Aren’t we lucky in our community to have a jewel that is your Nipomo Library!

Happy Reading,

Susan
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Fall Book Sale



The Fall Book Sale is scheduled for **Saturday, October 18th**. Members Only will be admitted from 9AM-10AM, with others welcome from 10AM-3PM. We have a large selection on novels (hardcover and paperback) non-fiction, biographies, cookbooks, DVDs, CDs, audio books and even a few older albums, puzzles, children and teen books. There are also many wonderful specials, which are great for gift-giving. We hope to see you there and as always, thank you for your support of the Nipomo Library.

Slate of Officers for the 2014 Board of Directors Chairpersons

President	Karen Mitchell
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	Donna Nisbet
	Marcia McCarthy
	Wanda Porter
Web Master	John Mitchell
Book Coordinator	Janet Betz

Library Hours

Tuesday	10am-6pm
Wednesday	10am-6pm
Thursday	10am-6pm
Friday	10am-5pm
Saturday	10am-5pm
	Closed
	Sunday and Monday



FONL at Family Picnic Night at Dorothea Lange Elementary School

Our organization, as well as the Library, was represented on September 18th, at Dorothea Lange's Family Picnic Night. President, Susan Gillespie, represented the group and bragged about our many accomplishments. "I talked to over 90 families and all said nice things about the Library. Two parents thanked me for their child's essay awards from last year. One mother told me that it was the highlight of her daughter's life....nice to hear. I got lots of smiles. Free bookmarks and stickers were given to all children,. A successful evening!"



Friends Membership

Individual \$10.00

Family \$25.00

Business \$40.00

Special Category

Contributor \$50.00

Sponsor \$100.00

Patron \$250.00

Benefactor \$500.00

Donations are always needed and accepted for the Friends' Silent Auction Windows and also for the Book Sales. To donate for either of these affairs you may bring small donations to the Library to the front desk during regular business hours. For large donations to the Silent Auction please call Susan at 929-5123 and for Books, DVDs, CDs and such, please call Janet at 929-3888. To receive a receipt you must call either Susan or Janet. Library staff does not give receipts for items left at the library. **PLEASE NO BOOKS UNTIL AFTER OUR SALE ON OCTOBER 18, 2014.**

Check Us Out

Friends of the Nipomo Library is on Facebook!

News From the Nipomo Library

The Nipomo Library just wrapped up an amazing summer, with the wonderful support of all the Nipomo Friends of the Library. To start with, the Nipomo Library had 503 children, ages 0-18 partake in the Summer Reading Program, with over 275 youth completing the program. This year's Summer Reading Program included an outreach partnership with Nipomo Elementary, enrolling 120 summer school students at the elementary school in the Summer Reading Program for 2014. Since they couldn't come to the Library, we took the Library Reading Program to them! Children's literacy was alive and well at the Nipomo Library this year! Even more impressive is the fact that 673 people attended the six programs sponsored by the Nipomo Friends of the Library. It was a full house at almost every show, from live bats to the Library Fairy shows.

If you were in the Nipomo Library this summer, you would have also noticed a few exciting new programs for youth. The Nipomo Library partnered with the San Luis Obispo Food Bank to provide free summer lunches to children ages 0-18. Over the course of the summer, over 300 children received a free lunch through this amazing program, with special thanks to the Trilogy Service Club, whose membership volunteered to hand out the lunches to children each day. This partnership brought in new families for library cards and to check out books and story times.

The Nipomo Friends of the Library partnered with the Nipomo Recreation Department to offer free tween-teen art classes at the Nipomo Library. Over 85 youth ages 10-18 took part in the 6 weekly art classes and there was a lot of enthusiasm to continue the program. Thanks to the wonderful partnership between the Friends of the Nipomo Library and the Nipomo Recreation, the Nipomo Library will continue to offer free tween-teen art classes on November 25th from 2-3:30 during Fall Break and on January 6th from 2-3:30, during Winter Break. Call the Library to find out more information or to register your tween-teen.

If you are wondering why the kids are having all the fun in the Nipomo Library this year, stay tuned. The Friends will be sponsoring the Adult Winter Reading Program, beginning at the very end of December. This reading program rewards adults for reading, with lovely little literary prizes (and a big sense of satisfaction, of course). The Nipomo Friends are also looking into partnering with Nipomo Recreation to provide an arts and crafts class for adults, so stay tuned!

Margaret Kensington-Klopfer, Nipomo Library Interim Branch Manager

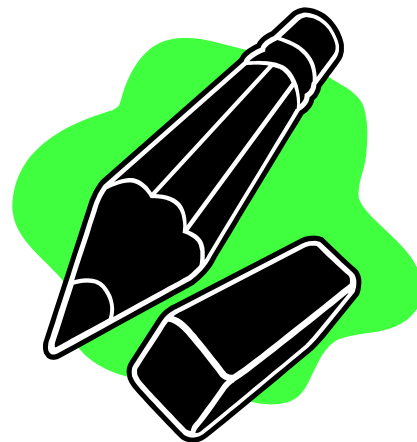
Nipomo Octoberfest--October 11-12

Friends will have a booth on Saturday, October 11th, giving away free children's books and selling chances for a Barn Wood Picture Frame valued at \$200-300 and also a handmade Holiday Quilt wall hanging. Tickets are \$1.00 a piece or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets will also be available at the October 18th Book Sale. All proceeds go directly to the Library for new materials and activities.

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Library-School Partnership Program 2014-2015

The Friends, in conjunction with the local schools and homeschoolers, are holding the fourth annual Library-School Essay Contest. Each participating child will receive recognition from our group and each classroom teacher, who fully participates as a class, will be allowed to choose a book of his/her choice for their classroom library. The final date for submitting all entries to the Library is Friday, December 5th. Homeschoolers may enter individually and also return their entries, with all the required information, by December 5th.



Any student of elementary age, 13 or younger from Nipomo, may enter. During the month of January some of the entries will be displayed and all participants will receive their prizes, with very special prizes for the winners. The winners will be invited to an evening meeting on January 15, 2015, where they will be asked to read their essays and receive their prizes. The first place winner will receive a check for \$50, a trophy and certificate, while all the second place winners will receive \$25 checks and certificates.

For Grades K-3, the topic is: **A character in a book I want to be like is _____.**

For Grades 4-6, the topic is: **Why My Library is the Jewel of our Community.**

To enter, all essays must meet the following criteria:

1. Be the work of the individual student.
2. Bear the subject of the essay contest (**Why My Library is the Jewel in our Community or A character in a book I want to be like is _____.**)

For Grades 4-6, the following is also required.

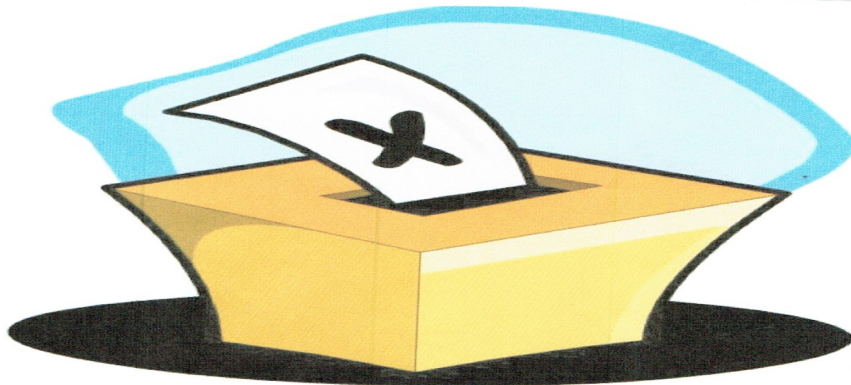
1. Include an introductory paragraph, at least one body paragraph and a conclusion.
2. Be limited to 300 words.
3. Be submitted electronically or hand written, on 8 1/2" X11" paper, done at home or school.
4. Be written in English. Please include your name, school and grade and teacher's name.

Any questions can be directed to Susan Gillespie, President of the Friends of the Nipomo Library at 805 343-2282 or tee4ii@charter.net.



We Need Your Vote!

Your 2015, Friends of the Nipomo Library Board of Directors, election ballots will be arriving soon in the mail. Don't forget to either drop off your completed ballot at the Library or mail it in.

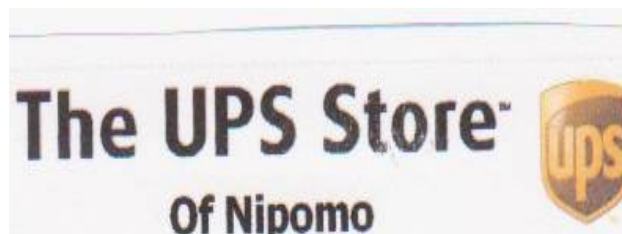


Treasures Sale

Look for a Treasures Sale when you attend the Fall Book Sale on October 18th. Members Only from 9AM-10AM and others from 10AM-3PM. All items are donated by Nipomo Library patrons and all funds go directly to the Library. We will offer holiday items, art work, and one of a kind special finds.

Please come by and see what we have for sale!

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News from South County Libraries

July 1st of this year marked the exciting start of new Library hours, free holds and DVDs checking out for three weeks. These changes have increased many of our Library metrics. Comparing circulation of July 2013, to July 2014, there was a 6% increase in physical items checked out throughout San Luis Obispo Library system. In addition, there was an impressive 29% increase in the number of digital items checked out in July 2014, as compared to July 2013. The number of people visiting the Libraries has also risen with the introduction of more convenient open hours, as evidenced by higher door counts. Holds or items requested from other Library branches in the Black Gold System have also seen dramatic increases. Participation in both Youth and Adult Summer Reading Programs was also very robust this year. This fall, we plan to build on these early successes and we thank the Nipomo Friends of the Library, along with all of the other FOL groups, for all of their support in this process.

The San Luis Obispo County Library website www.slolibrary.org also has some new additions, as of this summer. Visit our website and click on the icon with the heading "Streaming Video" to discover **Indieflix**. According to the **Indieflix** website:

*This streaming movie service provides unlimited access to award-winning shorts, feature films and documentaries. With thousands of films to choose from across more than 50 countries, **Indieflix** offers a viewing experience you can't get anywhere else.*

Also on our website, try clicking on the icon labeled "Download eContent" to discover **Enki**, an alternative digital book provider that supplements the digital offerings from our Overdrive site. **Enki** content focuses on smaller and independent publishers that are not represented by large national digital content vendors such as Overdrive. Both of these additions of digital products are definitely worth exploring.



Silent Auction Window

A Silent Auction Window just opened on September 30, and it is just waiting for your bid. Many great items are available and all you need to do is come in the Library, see what is on the shelves and make a bid in the Bid Book. Once you bid, you may watch the bidding on the Friends' website, www.fonl.net, to see if you are still the top bidder. If not, just return to the Library and bid again. Bidding goes on all month and the closing will be Friday, October 31. You may even come to the closing and bid at the last minute, as long as it is before 4:00 PM, then pay for your item and take it home. All the items have been donated by Friends' mem-





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Find out about
upcoming events at
www.fonl.net

Thank you for your
continued support of
the Friends of the
Nipomo Library

Calendar of Events

The upcoming Library closures will be as follows: Tuesday, October 14, for Columbus Day, Tuesday, November 11, for Veteran's Day, Thursday/Friday, November 27-28, for Thanksgiving, Thursday, December 25 for Christmas, and Thursday, January 1, for New Year's Day.

The FONL Board meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month and the public is always welcome. The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 12, at 1:30 PM.

The Farmer's Market in Nipomo is held at The Trilogy Housing Development near the Bistro. It is held every Sunday from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

The Nipomo Women's Club meets at noon on the third Monday of each month, at the Faith Life Community Church at 726 W. Tefft St. For information call 929-3888.

The Nipomo Native Garden has a workday the first Saturday of each month at 9 AM. Call 929-6649 for information.

The Dana Adobe at the Rancho Nipomo Heritage Park, is an active part of Nipomo's history. For activities and information call 929-2599 or check their web site at www.danaadobe.org for upcoming events.