

Happy New Year from the Friends of the Nipomo Library! It is a new year with many opportunities to enjoy, utilize and appreciate our Nipomo Library. With the new year, the Silent Auction team has asked that anyone who has items that they would like to donate, to be used in the Silent Auction, to bring them to the library during regular business hours or call Susan at 929-5123, if you have questions or large number of items to donate. Also in the new year, the Friends' Book Sellers are again accepting book donations. You may drop off your smaller donation at the Library or if you have a large donation, please call Janet at 929-3888.

There are some interesting workshops coming soon to the Nipomo Library. The **ANIMAL RESCUE WORKSHOP** will be held on Thursday, January 19, at 3:30PM. Woods Humane Society will bring a rescued dog and will share what it means to help save a dog or cat through pet adoption. It is open to all ages and sure to be informative.

The Movie, **SACRED PLANET**, is being shown on Thursday, February 2, at 3:00PM for all to enjoy. It is a Disney film on the landscapes, animals and people of Vancouver, New Zealand's white sand beaches, the deserts of Namibia, canyons of Arizona and Utah and the Alaskan wilderness. It sounds amazing doesn't it.

On Thursday, February 16, at 3:30PM, there will be a **CREATE SILVER EARRINGS WORKSHOP**. It is for adults and requires registration, so you will want to sign up soon before the workshop is filled. You will create beautiful silver earrings, a perfect gift for a friend or something special just for you.

There will be additional workshops coming in March and April, so keep an eye out for them in the future. Also, in the near future, the Nipomo Library will be receiving an update in technology, to its self-check station.

Unfortunately, the Nipomo Library is no longer a site for those Veterans wishing to speak to a Veteran's representative but we have good news. **You are cordially invited to the Veteran's Resource Center Grand Opening with special guest, Jim Gregory, on January 21, at 2PM at the Arroyo Grande Library.** This event celebrates the opening of the Veterans Resource Center, which assists veterans of all ages with benefits and resources that are available to them. Call 473-7162 for more information or call 781-5766 to schedule an appointment with a Veterans Outreach Counselor. The Veterans Resource Center is made possible by a partnership between the SLO County Library and the SLO County Veterans Services Department.

The Library-School Essay contest winners have been selected and the Friends would like to invite everyone to the Library to meet the winners and to hear them read their Essays entitled **How our Nipomo Library adds to our Community**. Please join us on Thursday, February 9, at 6:30PM. The essays are always wonderful and the students are a delight to meet.

If you are a user of Amazon, please consider using Amazon Smile in the name of the Friends of the Nipomo Library. Thank you!

