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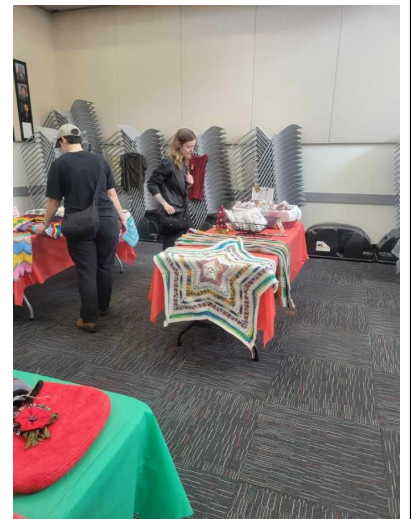
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The Friends Close Out the Year with a Craft and Book Event



On December 7, 2024, the Friends of the Oceanside Public Library brought the holiday spirit to life with their all-day Craft and Book Sale Event, a fundraiser for Library programs. Starting at 9 a.m., members enjoyed early access to this festive occasion, which concluded at 4 p.m., leaving attendees with smiles and holiday cheer.

The event was a treasure trove of handcrafted goods. Visitors delighted in browsing knitted and crocheted hats, cozy blankets, scarves, beautifully crafted ornaments, and works of art. Holiday decorations of all kinds added a touch of sparkle, making it easy to find the perfect gift or festive accent for the season. Beyond crafts, book lovers explored an array of literary finds, adding a touch of timeless joy to their shopping.



Adding excitement to the day, the silent auction featured over 30 items generously donated by local businesses. From unique experiences to charming gift baskets, bidders had plenty to choose from while supporting a good cause.



Thanks to the community's enthusiasm and generosity, the event was a huge success, raising almost \$4,000 for Oceanside Public Library programs. These funds will help the Library continue offering valuable resources and services to the community.

The Friends of the Oceanside Public Library thank everyone who attended, donated, or volunteered to make the day special. Your support brings people together and strengthens our Library's mission. Here's to more joyful events in the year ahead!



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Oceanside, CA 92056

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**CHAPTER BY CHAPTER: FIND YOUR NEXT FAVORITE AT OUR
LITTLE BOOK NOOKS!**



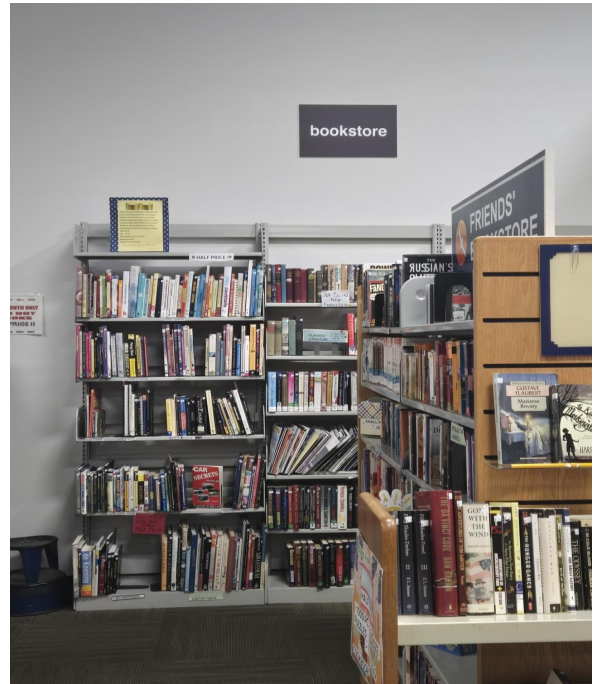
**Friends' Bookstores
Locations:**

Civic Center Library
330 N. Coast Hwy.
Oceanside, CA 92054
Mon-Thur, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
Fri-Sat, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

Mission Branch Library
3861-B Mission Avenue
Oceanside, CA 92056
Mon-Thur, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
Fri-Sat, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sunday, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

Jane & Evie's Used Books
323 N. Coast Hwy.
Oceanside, CA 92054
Mon-Wed, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
Thur-Sat, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

Discover hidden treasures at the Oceanside Library Mission Branch Bookstore—where every book finds its wave



The Friends' Amazon Store:
www.amazon.com/shops/check_out_books
or [click here](#).

Thursday Oceanside Farmers Market
Pier View Way and N. Coast Hwy.
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



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START THE NEW YEAR WITH THESE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!



Calling All Bookworms, Event Organizers, and Community Builders!

Are you passionate about books, community events, and giving back? The Friends of the Oceanside Public Library invite you to join our volunteer team and make a difference in your community!

We have exciting opportunities for volunteers:

- **Bookstore Clerks:** Help organize and manage our bookstore, assisting patrons in finding hidden literary gems.
- **Event Organizers:** Plan and execute fundraising events that bring the community together.
- **Farmer's Market Book Sales:** Share your love of books at the Oceanside Farmer's Market, connecting with book lovers of all ages.
- **Community Outreach Leaders:** Spread the word about our mission and engage others in supporting the Library.

Why Volunteer with Us?

- **Meet New People:** Connect with fellow book enthusiasts and community members who share your interests.
- **Exclusive Perks:** Be the first to discover donated books perfect for your personal collection.
- **Creative Involvement:** Organize fun and meaningful fundraising events that directly benefit the Oceanside Public Library.
- **Community Impact:** Work closely with the Library to support programs that enrich the lives of Oceanside residents.

Ready to make a difference? Contact **Cheri Noel** at the Library's Civic Center Branch, or email her at cnoel@oceansideca.org. Join us today and help support literacy, learning, and community connections in Oceanside!



all things MEMBERSHIP...

Join Us for the Annual Friends of the Oceanside Public Library Membership Board Meeting!

We're thrilled to invite all Members of the Friends of the Oceanside Public Library to our Annual Membership Meeting! Mark your calendars for Tuesday, February 11, 2025, and join us on Zoom for an engaging and informative session.



Tuesday, February 11, 2025
1 p.m.—2 p.m.



This annual meeting is your chance to:

- Gain insight into how your generous donations are making a difference.
- Learn about the programs and initiatives you've helped fund for the Oceanside Public Library.
- Explore opportunities to volunteer your time and talents alongside your financial support.
- Be informed of any proposed changes to the organization's bylaws and discuss their impact.

Your membership and support are the heart of our mission. This meeting not only gives you a behind-the-scenes look at our operations, but also offers a platform to ask questions, share feedback, and contribute to shaping the future of our organization.

Zoom details and meeting materials will be available closer to the date, so stay tuned! Thank you for your dedication to supporting the Oceanside Public Library and strengthening our community.

We look forward to connecting with you in February!

For more information, please contact Cheri Noel at cnoel@oceansideca.org



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

Andrew Bogoshian

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Lynn Fujikawa

Kent Fujikawa

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Join the Friends in Thanking Our Generous Business and Community Donors!



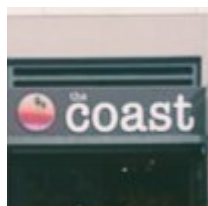
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I would like to make a donation In Honor of In Memory of _____

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To return by mail: Friends of the Oceanside Public Library, 330 N. Coast Hwy., Oceanside, CA 92054-2824

Comments: _____

Friends and Volunteer Information: (760) 435-5560

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Assorted Large Print Books
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The Photo Ark
Donated by Cathy and Larry Hatter

In Memory of Caroline Dooley

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The Sagrada Familia
Donated by Cathy and Larry Hatter

If you would like your loved one's photo featured with your donations please send them to anelson@oceansideca.org

The Friends want to recognize these donors for their cash gifts to Oceanside Public Library

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In Memory of Ann Hoffmann

Tim Keosababian

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Francis and Annette Gallagher

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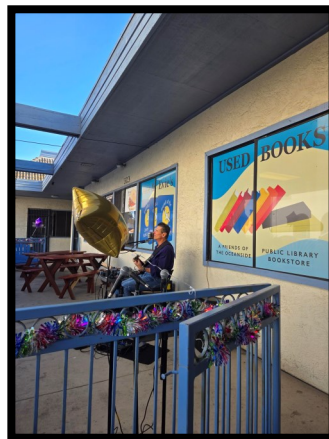
Friends on the Move and Editors Corner...

Jane and Evie's Used Books Open House: A Community Celebration

On October 24th, Jane and Evie's Used Books at 323 North Coast Hwy hosted a vibrant Open House event, bringing together book lovers and community members for an unforgettable evening. Organized by the Friends of the Oceanside Public Library, the event was a resounding success!

Guests enjoyed delicious food while grooving to live music performed by local favorites, Blue Waves, and talented musical artist Raynoldo Martine, creating a lively and welcoming atmosphere. The cozy book store setting provided the perfect backdrop for connecting over shared literary passions and discovering hidden treasures among the shelves.

This celebration not only highlighted the charm of Jane and Evie's but also underscored the importance of supporting local businesses and the Oceanside Public Library. Thank you to everyone who joined in making this event so special! Stay tuned for more community gatherings in the future.



Editors Corner

Hey See Gull Reader,

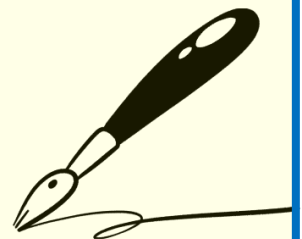
Just because the holidays are over doesn't mean there's nothing to celebrate! Share this newsletter with your favorite bookworm to brighten their day—or give them a special shoutout for a birthday, milestone, or just because!

Send all inquires to the email below!

Got an idea for an article or ways to improve our See Gull Newsletter?

Let me know at :

anelson@oceansideca.org



Friends on the Move...

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in the 2024 Turkey Trot and remembered to choose the Friends of the Oceanside Public Library as your non-profit recipient. Your support helps us continue our mission of enriching the community through Library programs and services.

We hope you had a wonderful time at the event and worked up an appetite for your Thanksgiving feast. Your contributions and enthusiasm make a meaningful difference, and we're so grateful to have you as part of our Library family.



thank you



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Friends of the Oceanside Public Library Celebrating 53 Years of Community Service

Founded in 1971 as a non-profit organization, the mission of the Friends of the Oceanside Public Library is to support and promote the services and resources of the Oceanside Public Library through community involvement, volunteer activities, and fundraising. The organization maintains a membership of persons interested in the Library, sponsors special programs and cultural events for both children and adults, and works to enhance the Library's collection and facilities.

The *See Gull* newsletter is published quarterly by the Friends of the Oceanside Public Library and is available at their bookstores in the Civic Center and Mission Branch Libraries; at Jane and Evie's Used Books store; at the READS Learning Center; at oplfriends.org; and via email and regular mail. If you have an article idea or suggestion for the *See Gull* newsletter, please email anelson@oceansideca.org