



Regular Meeting Agenda

Library, Culture, and Arts Commission

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Suman Ganapathy - Chair

Paul Lake - Commissioner

Katie Khera - Commissioner

Emily Borchers - Commissioner

Patrice Lyn - Vice Chair

Tuesday, December 7, 2021 4:30 pm

Virtual Meeting

VIRTUAL MEETING GUIDELINES AND PUBLIC COMMENT

In accordance with Executive Order N-25-20 and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gatherings, remote public participation is allowed. Physical meetings will not be in the City Council Chamber until further notice.

Library, Culture, and Arts Commission meetings will be live streamed on Channel 17, on the City's website and on the City's Facebook page. Those members of the community that would like to participate in the meetings remotely may do so by joining the virtual meeting at: <https://bit.ly/LCACMeeting> or by calling in to: (669) 900-9128, then enter the webinar id: 830 4187 3791#.

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- Join the virtual City Council meeting via the link above, when public comment is opened, raise your virtual hand, and be called upon to speak for up to 3 minutes
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- Send public comments in writing to chris.ghione@morganhill.ca.gov

* Please note that comments made on Facebook are not considered public comment.

CALL TO ORDER

WORKSHOP

Art a la Cart Planning Workshop

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA

Per Government Code 54954.2

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public are entitled to address the Commission concerning any item within the Commission's subject matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to no more than three minutes. Except for certain specific exceptions, the Commission is prohibited from discussing or taking action on any item not appearing on the posted agenda. (See additional noticing at the end of this agenda)

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

REPORTS

1. **COUNTY LIBRARY REPORT - JENNIFER WEEKS, COUNTY LIBRARIAN**
2. **MORGAN HILL LIBRARY REPORT - HEATHER GEDDES, COMMUNITY LIBRARIAN**
3. **FRIENDS OF THE MORGAN HILL LIBRARY REPORT - VICKY READER, FRIENDS PRESIDENT**
4. **MORGAN HILL HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT - KATHY SULLIVAN, BOARD MEMBER**
5. **CITY OF MORGAN HILL REPORT (VERBAL) - CHRIS GHIONE, PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR**

BUSINESS

6. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF NEW UTILITY BOX ART**

Recommendation:

Recommend approval and acceptance of new art at one utility box location by the City Council.

7. **ART FUND UPDATE**

Recommendation:

Receive update on Art Fund.

8. **WORK PLAN UPDATES**

Recommendation:

Commissioners to provide updates on Work Plan items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS:

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE

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Please submit written correspondence to the Minutes Clerk, who will distribute correspondence to the Commission.

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The time within which judicial review must be sought of the action by the Commission, which acted upon any matter appearing on this agenda is governed by the provisions of Section 1094.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.

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December 2021
Library Stakeholder Report
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian

Enjoy the Holidays with SCCLD

It's the holiday season and a time for family, friends, gatherings and possibly a vacation too! The Library can help you prepare and enjoy the holidays with booklists, programs, online resources and more.

If you're hosting a gathering, let us help you [plan the perfect menu](#) and [decorate](#) to make the event festive. We can even show you how to make your own [wreath or holiday cards](#). To keep the [kids](#) busy during Winter break, register for [events](#) for the whole family including the [North Pole Review](#) puppet show. Don't forget to pick up some [favorite reads](#) and movies too. And did you know SCCLD has [console games](#) for Xbox, PS4 and more? We also have [Consumer Reports](#) to shop for the perfect holiday gifts this season.



If your travel plans include areas where another language is spoken, [Rosetta Stone](#) will help you learn a few key phrases, or completely immerse yourself in another language. Our librarians have also created helpful [travel booklists](#) you won't want to miss!

Happy Holidays from SCCLD!

Weston Woods Available Dec 1!

Weston Woods was founded in 1953 by Morton Schindel who became fascinated with picture books while reading to his children.



In 1996, Weston Woods became part of the Scholastic Inc. – the world's largest publisher of children's books.

Enjoy hundreds of children's stories online including classics like *Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats and *Amazing Grace* by Mary Hoffman. There are also modern titles like *We Are Water Protectors* by Carole Lindstrom and illustrated by Michaela Goade. You can easily find your next great read with filters including grade, age, theme, and lexile level.

Many of these resources have study guides to help educators create lesson plans and curriculum around these books. New readers will be able to utilize the Read Along feature that highlights the words being spoken in the video. Closed captions are also available to help assist in learning and to develop language recognition. Finally, translations are available on some materials in both Spanish and Mandarin. [Weston Woods](#) will be found on our website in our Kids Online Library under Learning and Homework Help, eBooks & Audiobooks and Find a Good Book and within the [Student Portal](#).

Take a Virtual Tour of the Library



Our eight libraries and bookmobile service are as unique as the communities they serve. SCCLD has created library highlight video tours on each Hours and Location page of our website. These videos are a great way to introduce each location and what makes it special to our patrons and residents.

We hope you'll take a moment to [view the videos](#). Even our most loyal and frequent visitors will likely discover something new about their local library!

Create, Dream, Discover: The Possibilities are Endless with a Free SCCLD Library Card

Have you, a family member, friend or neighbor been holding out from getting a free library card with the Santa Clara County Library District? In 2022, the Library District will offer brand new, unique library cards that will encourage all residents to make the library their own.

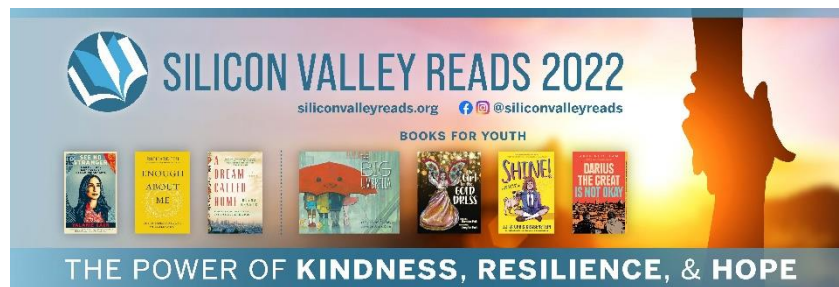
The new library cards come in three designs, CREATE, DREAM or DISCOVER. Each card has a special coating on the lightbulb, cloud or magnifying glass that will allow you to write or draw on the card to personalize it. SCCLD is the only library district that offers these innovative cards that are as original as our patrons. More details will be available in January 2022.



Save the Date

SCCLD has several important events coming in 2022 that you won't want to miss. Be sure to mark your calendar early and stay tuned for more information.

Silicon Valley Reads Virtual Kickoff Event
Saturday, January 27, 2022 @ 6:30pm
Open to the public



Library District Joint Powers Authority Board Meeting
Thursday, January 28 @ 12:00pm
Open to the public

Santa Clara County Library District 19th Annual Friends, Foundations, Endowment, and Commissioners Virtual Forum
Saturday, February 5 @ 9:30am
By invitation only

SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT DECEMBER 2021 EVENTS

Events listed in blue are in-person events

****All libraries will be closed and services unavailable on Friday and Saturday, December 24 & 25 for the Christmas holiday and Friday and Saturday, December 31 and January 1 for the New Year****

Free In-Person Homework Help at Los Altos, Milpitas, and Gilroy Libraries

Mondays-Thursdays through December 17, 3:30 -- 5 p.m.

Free homework help for students in grades 7-12 living in Santa Clara County. Get help in math, history, science and English. Register to guarantee your spot. Walk-ins are welcome as space allows.

Snack Break at Morgan Hill Library

Mondays-Thursdays, 3 – 4 p.m. (except holidays and school breaks)

Kids 18 and under are invited to stop by the library for a snack, as supplies last.

Snack Break at Gilroy Library

Mondays-Fridays, 3 -5 p.m. (except holidays and school breaks)

Visit the children's area near the Nest room to grab a snack, as supplies last.

Online ESL Conversation Club

Wednesdays, December 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 6 – 7:15 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

Thursdays, December 9 & 16, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

Practice your English listening and speaking skills in a virtual platform. Meet new friends and learn English together.

Virtual Trivia Night for Adults

Wednesday, December 1, 6 – 7 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

Our Movies & Music Team is hosting a trivia night all about holiday movies and music. You will be using Mentimeter to submit your answers, so you'll need access to an internet browser during the program.

Knitting and Crochet Meetup at Gilroy Library

Thursdays, December 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 1 – 4 p.m.

Stop by for a drop-in knitting and crochet circle where you can bring your projects, ask questions, receive help share ideas and meet new people. The meetup will be upstairs in Quiet Study B.

Holiday Haiku Kit

Available Friday, December 3 (Register for kit)

Receive instructions and craft materials to create a holiday haiku that you can use as a decoration. Great activity for families with a child in grade 3 and up. One kit per family.

Family Fun Fridays at Morgan Hill Library

Fridays, December 3, 10, & 17, 10:30 – 11 a.m. (weather permitting)

Join us on the lawn for family fun with your little ones. We will have stories, music, movement and more!

Wreath Making Workshop at Saratoga Library

Friday, December 3, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. (Seats are limited; Register at Adult Reference Desk by Dec. 2 at 4 p.m.)

Bring a wire clothes hanger and some pinecones, bows and ribbons for your wreath. We will provide the greenery.

Online Book Club

Friday, December 3, 4 – 5 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

We will read and discuss [Kim Jiyoung, Born 1982](#) by Cho Nam-Joo.

Diversión Familiar Fiesta at Morgan Hill Library

Saturdays, December 4, 11, & 18, 10:30 – 11 a.m. (weather permitting)

¡Únase a nosotros en el césped para divertirse en familia con sus pequeños! ¡Cuentos, música, movimiento y más!

Children's Craft Activity at Gilroy Library

Saturday, December 4, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Join us in the courtyard for a craft activity: Do You Want to Build a Snowman? Let your imagination run wild and make a paper snowman buddy.

Home for the Holidays with Chef Laura Stec

Saturday, December 4, 2 – 3 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

Chef Stec will show us some side dishes that will liven up the festivities with flavor yet balance our blood sugar. She will also have tips of party and menu planning, table displays and timesaving advice.



Winter Holiday Magic Storytime at Milpitas Library

Saturday, December 4, 3 – 3:45 p.m.

Join us on the steps of the historical Grammar School for a story, songs and dance to celebrate the holiday season.

Virtual Film Discussion

Saturday, December 4, 6 – 7 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

We will be discussing the film, Taste of Pho. Watch the film using our free video streaming service, [Kanopy](#), then join us for discussion.

Safe Space Meeting for LGBTQ+ Youth at Morgan Hill Library

Tuesdays, December 7 & 21, 4 – 6 p.m.

Join us for in-person support group meetings that provide a safe space for LGBTQ+ youth (ages 13-25) to play games, participate in group activities and discussions and build community. No registration necessary.

Virtual Paint Party

Tuesday, December 7, 6 – 7 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

Join us as we paint our own version of Vincent van Gogh's Starry Night. You'll need canvas or watercolor paper, acrylic brushes, water, paper towels, and acrylics or pastels or watercolors.

Holiday Card Making at Gilroy Library (Ages 12+)

Wednesday, December 8, 7 – 8 p.m. (Register online)

Saturday, December 11, 2 – 3 p.m. (Register online)

All supplies will be provided. To ensure that everyone has an opportunity to make cards, please only register for one program.

Pelicans, Herons and Egrets Presentation at Los Altos Library

Wednesday, December 8, 7 – 8 p.m.

Wildlife photographer Joan Sparks will highlight pictures of stellar long-legged waders in their natural habitat. This in-person program has limited seating. Masks are required.

Make Homemade Playdough

Friday, December 10, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

Practice fine motor skills and use the playdough to practice literacy skills. You'll receive all materials needed to make the dough. Parents and preschool aged children are encouraged to attend.



Wreath Making Workshop at Los Altos Library

Friday, December 10, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. (Seats are limited. Register at Adult Reference Desk by Dec. 9 at 5 p.m.)

Bring a wire clothes hanger and some pinecones, bows and ribbons for your wreath. We will provide the greenery.

Open Poetry Readings with the Garlicky Group of Poets at Gilroy Library

Saturday, December 11, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Stop by and read whatever poetry you might like and join in related discussions. No registration necessary.

Virtual Film Discussion

Saturday, December 11, 6 – 7 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

We will be discussing the film, *Generation Zapped: The Dangers of Daily Exposure to Wireless Technologies*. Watch the film using our free video streaming service, [Kanopy](#), then join us for discussion.

Safe Space Meeting for LGBTQ+ Youth at Gilroy Library

Tuesday, December 14, 4 – 6 p.m.

Join us for in-person support group meetings that provide a safe space for LGBTQ+ youth (ages 13-25) to play games, participate in group activities and discussions and build community. No registration necessary.

Wood Burn Holiday Ornaments at Gilroy Library (Ages 18+)

Wednesday, December 15, 7 – 8 p.m. (Register online)

All supplies will be provided. This activity is for people 18+.

Outdoor Puppet Show at Milpitas Library

Saturday, December 18, 3 – 4 p.m.

The Fratello Marionettes present *The North Pole Review*. The music-based puppet show starts ice skater Crystal Chandelier, the Russian Trepack Dancers and outdoor penguins. This is will place on the steps of the historic Milpitas Grammar School.

Virtual Film Discussion

Saturday, December 18, 6 – 7 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

We will be discussing the film, *Wuthering Heights*. Watch the film using our free video streaming service, [Kanopy](#), then join us for discussion.

Now Read This! Online Book Club

Monday, December 27, 12 – 1:30 p.m. (Register for Zoom link)

We will be discussing the book [*Klara and the Sun*](#) by Kazuo Ishiguro. Registration opens on Wednesday, December 1.

Morgan Hill Library Update

December 2021

In the news.....

Senator John Laird toured our library in November. He presented the library with a Senate Resolution honoring the many years of service and advocacy Mayor Tate has provided to our library.



Family Fun Fridays & Diversión Familiar Fiesta

Outdoor in-person children's programs have returned to the library. Family fun with little ones! Stories, music, movement, and more! We had 404 patrons attend our 6 programs in November!



December Grab & Go Kits

We are offering patrons take home crafts this month, create your own felt ornaments for adults and For children. For children we will have a Toys without Motors kit and a Holiday Card Making kit.

Upcoming Programs

The New Year will see a return to many of the library's pre-pandemic programs.

After Dinner Book Club

Bridge Classes

SURJ Movies

Great Decisions

Ukulele Group

Knitter' Club

Lego Club

Storytimes



105 patrons engaged in an attitude of gratitude, writing messages of thankfulness on our giving tree.

8353 visitors

51,200 items borrowed

140 new card holders

125 Craft kits distributed

11 programs

464 attendees

270 after school snacks

Just in time for the holidays, enjoy free seasonal online crafting classics. Creative Bug provides patrons with unlimited access to over 1,000 online art and craft classes. Topics include art & design, sewing, quilting, paper, knitting, crochet, food & home, jewelry, holiday & party, and classes for kids.

Watch videos anytime, anywhere and at your own pace.



Children learn in different ways and not all families have equal access to technology. We help level the playing field, circulating tablets preloaded with educational games.

I'll Be Gone in the Dark: One Woman's Obsessive Search for the Golden State Killer

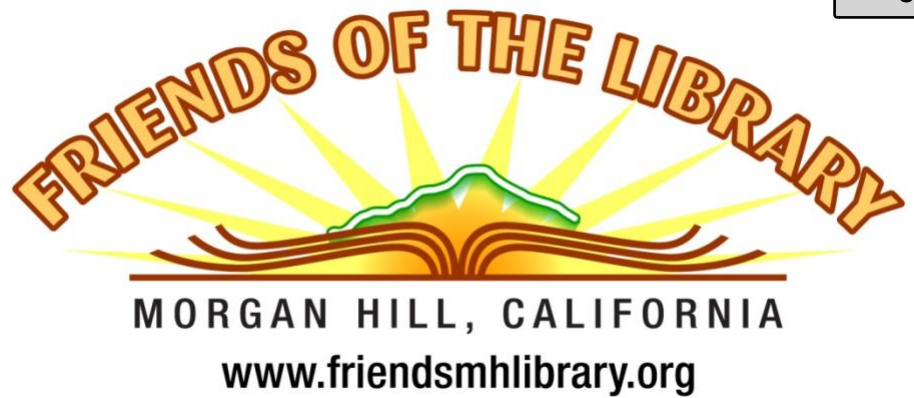
by Michelle McNamara

Before her untimely death, Michelle McNamara was tracing the history of the Golden State Killer aka the East Area Rapist/Original Night Stalker, who terrorized California in the 1970s and 1980s. Her narrative paints a picture of his crimes piece together from official reports while also giving the reader a glimpse into her conversations with investigators and to her own motives for research. Haunting and fascinating.

There There

by Tommy Orange

An engrossing multi-generational look into the lives of urban Native Americans set in Oakland, California. This novel follows the lives of 12 characters from Native communities, grappling with a complex and painful history. This book is the our book club selection for January.



The Bookworm Bulletin

Events of the Friends of the Morgan Hill Library

Winter 2021

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Slate of Officers
For 2022

Winter Book Sale
Saturday
February 5, 2022

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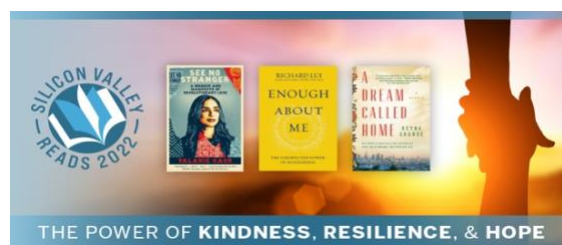
SILICON VALLEY READS 2022 (siliconvalleyreads.org)

FMHL recently received a thank you from the Silicon Valley Reads director for our ongoing support.

In fact, we Friends have supported SVR since it started in 2003 as a community engagement program run by the Santa Clara County Library District, the Santa Clara County Office of Education, and the San Jose Public Library.

Last year, the theme of "Connecting" brought over 12,000 people together. The 2022 theme is "The Power of Kindness, Resilience & Hope." The featured books were selected to help encourage and motivate people to lean on one another for support moving forward during the continuing effects of COVID-19.

The adult titles are *See No Stranger* by Valarie Kaur, *Enough About Me* by Richard Lu, and *A Dream Called Home* by Reyna Grande. Companion books for children/teens have also been selected.



Three highly-reviewed fiction titles are recommended to appeal to fiction readers: *The Girl With the Louding Voice* by Abi Daré, *The Authenticity Project* by Clare Pooley, and *The Story of Arthur Truluv* by Elizabeth Berg.

The breadth and depth of selections will enable creative and fun talks and event to appeal to everyone. A combination of in-person and virtual activities enables inclusive participation. **The SVR virtual kickoff with the three adult authors is scheduled for Thursday, January 27th.** It will be moderated by Sal Pizarro of the Mercury News and hosted by the Commonwealth Club of Silicon Valley. Visit the SVR website in early January for an update and schedule of all that is happening during Silicon Valley Reads 2022.

Notes from the President

Vicky Reader, vevreader@gmail.com



Update - While we Friends are not back to full operations yet, we are thankful for the strides made during the year. We initially adapted to pandemic challenges by holding safe outdoor sales. We revised our materials donation guidelines to better reflect the interests of our patrons and started accepting donated books safely outside by appointment. Then we welcomed patrons to our “new and improved” Bookstore with dedicated volunteers both behind-the-scenes and customer-facing.

The Bookstore is now open 26 hours a week from Monday to Saturday. We also have returned to accepting books and other usable materials at the Bookstore or at the Circulation Desk when the store is closed. We hope you continue to visit, come to our periodic special sales, and browse offerings at <http://www.amazon.com/shops/MHLibraryFriends> our online storefront.

Board News - Special thanks to **Ric Smith** for his service as VP since 2014. We are grateful for the work former president **Teresa Stephenson** and Ric did working closely on the now completed multi-year project to remodel our library space. Teresa cited Ric’s expertise as being invaluable during design and construction meetings and when the new space needed to be configured. Ric also handled the storage of our inventory, as “shed master.” No longer serving as VP, but thankfully he continues volunteering in the Bookstore.



Ric Smith (left) Diane Martin (right) with Valerie Chambliss

We also send our appreciation to **Diane Martin**, former secretary, who had to resign when she moved out of CA. Diane was instrumental in setting up the post-construction space, as well as in planning and volunteering at the outdoor sales.

Another shout out goes to Membership Coordinator **Donna Cotich**, who handcrafted masks and other items she sold specifically to benefit the Friends. Her generosity amounts to about \$2500, which helps us greatly. Donna’s masks are on display in the Bookstore.

Looking Ahead - The Friends depend on many people to successfully achieve our mission. Thank YOU for your support and interest in what we do as Morgan Hill Library lovers! We look forward to serving the library and the community in the coming year. Your input and feedback is always welcome – info@friendsmhlibrary.org.

Membership Update

Donna Cotich, Membership, djcotich@yahoo.com

Our expanded bookstore is now open every day the library is, so please visit us. We are very proud of our new space.

While you are browsing for a new read, take the time to renew your Friends of the Library membership for 2022. It's quick and easy. If your phone, address and email haven't changed since last year, all we need on the form is your name; write "same" for the address; add "renewal" on the top; and pay your membership fee. You will receive a 2022 discount card that provides a 50% discount for one item each month throughout the year. Don't forget to use your December 2021 discount on any book or a new mask!

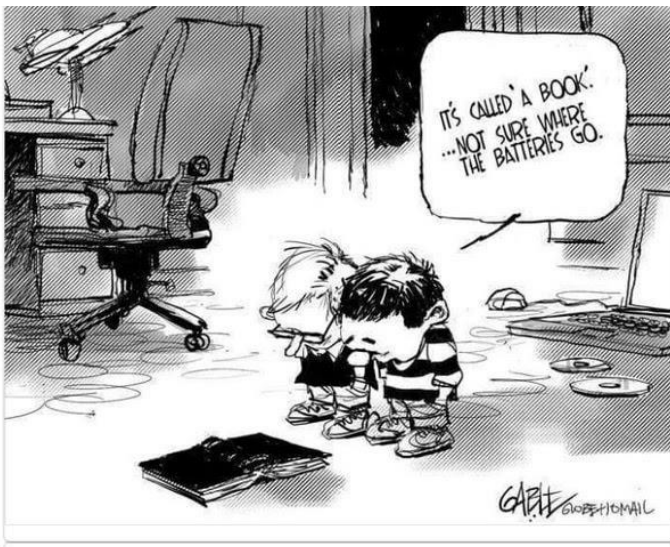
If joining for the first time, you will need to complete the entire membership form and will receive two 50% discount cards, one for the rest of this year and a 2022 card.

Although the cost of goods and services has increased, our membership fees remain the same: \$10 Individual, \$20 Family, \$50 Sponsor, and \$100 Patron, annually, or a five-year membership for \$50 Individual, \$100 Family. Lifetime memberships are \$500. A Business level \$250 annual membership includes a FMHL website acknowledgement.

You can also renew your membership online. Visit our website at http://www.friendsmhl.org/help_the_friends.html. Download a membership form, and pay with PayPal or a credit card. Then pick up your discount card in the bookstore.

All memberships and donations are tax deductible for the calendar year in which they are made. FMHL is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization with an all-volunteer staff.

Support your library by joining the Friends.



Book Sales in 2022

Saturday, February 5
Saturday, June 4
Saturday, October 8

We hope to be back to regular indoor sales in the Program Room.
Stay tuned for details.

Library News

Heather Geddes, Community Librarian hgeddes@sccl.org

Happy Holiday Season Friends!

"You can always count on the library to be there for the community. The Friends will be there for the Library" – anonymous quote

The past 18 months have come with many hurdles and much learning. As we move into this holiday season, I am feeling incredibly grateful for your support. Your mobilization this past year to remodel the store and sort area, host outdoor book sales, and find innovative ways to accept donations has provided us with ongoing support for library services amidst the pandemic. I am humbled by your dedication and enthusiasm for our library.



Thanks to the Friends, our library was able to once again provide books to children during our Summer Reading Program, host our Lunch at the Library program (8000+ meals served), and engage in outreach around the community. Our latest initiative has been the installation of a Little Library at Galvan Park, which encourages literacy and provides over 100 youth with access to books. The Friends provided the stipend for the artist who did the mural and covered the cost of the Little Library.



SILICON VALLEY READS

Joins us for Silicon Valley Reads 2022....our theme is the Power of Kindness, Resilience, & Hope. Our featured titles offer meaningful collection of stories to motivate and inspire our community. <https://sccl.org/svr/>

Library Expansion and Re-Naming Ceremony

I am thrilled to announce that after several years of dedicated work, we celebrated our library's new expanded children's space and the re-naming of the Morgan Hill Steve Tate Library on Oct 9. The event was a huge success with many community members and dignitaries acknowledging the work Mayor Tate, the Friends, and the City have done in support of our library. We also had a scavenger hunt for attendees to view the many artworks that were funded by the Friends Beyond Books Campaign. The Friends outdoor book sale that day added to the festivities.

I hope you are all able to enter into this holiday season with a good book to read and share with friends and family.



Heather Geddes and Carol O'Hare



Larry Carr, Former Mayor Steve Tate, Heather, Mayor Rich Constantine

2021 Gift of Reading

Share the love of books with local children and support 2021 Gift of Reading. BookSmart is again partnering with the Friends of the Library and AAUW to continue this tradition of providing books for underserved children in Morgan Hill and San Martin.

Members are encouraged to donate **new and like-new** books for ages pre-K to 14 years, books that you would want your own children (or grandchildren) to receive. BookSmart is offering a 20% discount on books purchased for the program. Cash donations are also welcome. A collection barrel is located at BookSmart, 421 Vineyard Town Center.

The deadline to donate is Friday, December 12.

If you would like to volunteer to sort books, please contact Carol O'Hare, cbohare@garlic.com.

Gift of Reading
Morgan Hill

BookSmart
Community Advantage
Literacy • Art • Community

Donate by
12/12/2021

2021
DONATE
TODAY!

Donate new or like-new children's books for ages 0-14.
You can donate used but like-new books at **BookSmart**
or buy new books at **BookSmart** and receive a **20% discount** for any books purchased for **Booksmart's** Gift of Reading "book barrel"!

Please Take Donations to BookSmart
421 Vineyard Town Center.

Sponsored by: BookSmart Community Advantage - Friends of the Morgan Hill Library, , Morgan Hill Life, and AAUW-Morgan Hill.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2022



President: Vicky Reader is a longtime volunteer with the Friends, having held the positions of president, secretary, newsletter editor and Speakers Forum coordinator in the past. She has now served as president during the difficult pandemic years of 2020 and 2021. She is also on the board of the Santa Clara County Library District Foundation.



Vice President: Joy Safakish has volunteered with the Friends for many years, serving as membership coordinator and trainer of bookstore volunteers. As VP she will coordinate programs once the library resumes such events. She also volunteers with AAUW as chair of the Tech Trek program and was named their 2021 Philanthropy Honoree.



Treasurer: Sherrie Wren has been on the Friends' board as treasurer for the past two years and is a regular bookstore cashier. She is also membership co-VP with AAUW Morgan Hill and is active with the MH Community Garden.



Secretary: Kristine Gagliardi started volunteering with the Friends at the outdoor book sales. After working in private industry, she founded The Radiosurgery Society and was its executive director. She continues to serve on its board.

This year due to continued Covid -19 restrictions, the Friends annual meeting, usually held in December to elect new officers, will take place electronically.

Cast your vote for the Slate of Officers by email or phone no later than December 15.

- By email: Put FMHL Vote in the subject.
In the email body, state **YES** or **NO** for the Slate of Officers
Send to nomination committee chair Carol O'Hare, cbohare@garlic.com
- By phone: Call Carol at 408-782-9029. Leave a message with your name and **YES** or **NO**



Wonderful Volunteers!

Volunteer Coordinator

Karen MacDonald karenmacdmhca@gmail.com

As the library is returning to more normal, pre-Covid hours, volunteers are coming back to work in the bookstore. There is at least one three-hour shift each day the library is open, and some days have multiple shifts filled. Our experienced volunteers are greatly appreciated, and we are grateful to have gained some new cashiers: Patty Crone, Mirna Skracic, Christie Thomas, and Fran Weiss. We have a great corps of regulars who have signed up for specific shifts: once or twice a month, or even once a week. We also have a wonderful group of subs who fill in as needed. Still, more volunteers would be welcome so the store can be open additional hours.

Our book sorters are busier, too, with increased donations, now that books can be brought directly to the store or front desk. You may never see these volunteers, as sorters work hidden back in the nether regions of the staff area. We are thankful that they faithfully come in each week to organize donations: separating out books for the store, big book sales, Better World Books, recycling, or garbage! They also look up non-fiction online, price books, fill sort room shelves, and stock the store and Bargain Books. We couldn't manage without them.

Other volunteers help out with book sales, doing the heavy lifting of setting up and cleaning up after the sale. All of these jobs are important and help support our library. If you would like to join the Friends volunteers, please contact Karen.

Treasurer's Report

Sherrie Wren twowrens10@gmail.com

The Friends of the Library total assets as of mid-November 2021 are \$115,000.

In this fiscal year, we have spent \$7,100 on the combined remodel of the Bookstore and the sorting area, less than budgeted.

Our total income to date is \$31,000 from the store, which was closed for about half the year, small outdoor book sales, and online sales. We have supported the Library with \$13,000 for their limited programming.

Since the beginning of November, the weekly income has approached the pre-Covid Bookstore income average of \$500-\$600 per week. We hope that this is a sign that we are starting to see things gradually return to more normal activity, both for the Friends and for the Library.

The Friends are grateful to the many volunteers who have masked up and stepped forward to make the book sales possible during these unusual times.

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Preserving and sharing the history of Morgan Hill, and its environs, to inspire a sense of community.

LCAC Report - December 2, 2021

Morgan Hill Historical Society - Submitted by Kathy Sullivan, Director and MarCom Chair

NOVEMBER BOARD PLANNING RETREAT

The Board met to begin review of its strategic plan, resource assessment and 2022 budget. Work is ongoing.

VILLA MIRA MONTE (VMM) & GROUNDS OPEN

Open Saturdays from 10:00am to 1:00pm. We continue to seek and train docents to expand days/times open to the community. If you haven't seen the exhibits set up throughout the Hiram Morgan Hill House, make sure to come and check them out. Make sure to see the Holiday train exhibit in the Museum - a must see for kids of all ages.

2022 MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

MHHS Membership invitations were mailed in November. Response is good.

EVENTS – Find details on our website as they become available.

- Dia De Los Muertos Altars- This year the popular event was expanded to 5 altars and well attended by our diverse community.
- 2021 “*Stories from the Past*” documentary will premiere in February 2022.

COMMUNICATIONS & SOCIAL MEDIA

- If you are not receiving our Weekly Constant Contact Newsletter from info@morganhillhistoricalsociety.com here is the link to join our mailing list: <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/l9xGbTA/MHHSMAILINGList2021>.
- Check out our BLOGS at <https://www.morganhillhistoricalsociety.org/blog>.

DOCUMENTARY FILMS – GRANT FUNDED

History Makers: If you haven't seen this excellent 60-minute film, check it out at <https://www.morganhillhistoricalsociety.org/history-makers>.

Stories from the Past: Films from 2017 – 2020 are archived on our website at <https://www.morganhillhistoricalsociety.org/stories-from-the-past>.

LIVING HISTORY SSCHOOL FIELD TRIPS & CLASSROOM TRUNK PROGRAMS

MHHS program coordinators are working with the Morgan Hill Unified School District to determine when these programs can be safely reinstated.

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BLACK HISTORY PROJECT

Project Chair, LCAC Commissioner Lyn, continues to work with Robin Shepherd and Kathy Sullivan to resource this project and establish goals. Reach Patrice at blackhistoryproject@morganhillhistoricalsociety.com.

NATIVE GARDEN PROJECT

Work has begun on establishing this educational garden on the front northwest quadrant of Villa Mira Monte. Rose bushes are being relocated on the site, a paved walk will be constructed, and the garden installed throughout the spring months. We very much appreciate the South Valley Fleurs financial grants and volunteers to assist with this project.

REVISITING PLANS TO DEVELOP THE BACK OF VMM SITE

We are resuming conversations with Chris Ghione to reassess the design for development of the back of the site.

MORGAN HILL POSTCARDS

Difficult to find, Morgan Hill postcards with 12 iconic Morgan Hill images, captured by local photographer Susan Brazelton, are available at Villa Mira Monte and at BookSmart. Consider them for holiday gifting.



LIBRARY, CULTURE, AND ARTS COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 7, 2021

PREPARED BY: Chris Ghione, Public Services Director

APPROVED BY: Chris Ghione, Public Services Director

RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF NEW UTILITY BOX ART

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Recommend approval and acceptance of new art at one utility box location by the City Council.

REPORT NARRATIVE:

Artist Crystal Riley has proposed painting an additional traffic signal utility box. Crystal is a local Morgan Hill Artist that is proposing artwork tied to the inspirational messages “it is together as mothers we water the seeds of future generations” and “help them grow”. Sponsorship by the Morgan Hill Mom Community has been received to support Crystal’s project.

Per Commission Policy, the Commission must make a recommendation to the City Council for the approval of the public art. The art proposal is included as Attachment 1 for review by the Commission. The artwork would be installed on the traffic signal utility box at the intersection of West Dunne and Murphy Avenues.

LINKS/ATTACHMENTS:

1. Application Packet 4 Commission



Morgan Hill 'Art & Inspiration' Utility Box Art Program - Phase 2 Artist Application

Thank you for your interest in the Morgan Hill Art & Inspiration Phase 2 project. Please submit this completed application, artwork description, sample pdf/jpeg of artist previously finished work and a color rendering of the proposed artwork on the attached design template. All artists must submit a signed release of liability.

Submit Completed Materials by Email to: ArtInspirationMH@gmail.com

Artist Information

Artist Name: Crystal Riley

Address: [REDACTED]

City: Morgan Hill State: CA Zip Code: 95037

Email (Required): [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

Website (If available): _____

Artist Biography (Up to 150 words)

I am a Morgan Hill local & lifer. All my life I've been an artist. I dabble in many mediums but my love is painting. I have 2 awesome sons (Kyro & Salem). I attended The Art Institute w/ a bachelors in animation and fine arts. With this project I hope to capture and represent the Morgan Hill Moms community. We as mothers together in this town are strong and unified! They so believed in me and this project, together as a whole raised the sponsorship money overnight!

Attachment: Application Packet 4 Commission (3223 : Recommend Approval of New Utility Box Art)

Artwork Description:

Inspirational message:

"it is together as mothers we water the seeds of future generations." & "Help them grow"

Description of artwork interpreting the message:

My work will be a simple yet sweet silhouette of a mother cradling a child. Within the silhouette will be a view of El Toro @ dusk. Around the mother will be a plethora of local wild flowers blooming and encompassing the mother. I want the flowers to be tall and plentiful. Its meant to be a representation of all the beautiful strong mamas within this community. Loving our little ones, while they bloom & blossom.

Box Location Preference (Mark 1 as the highest, 6 as the lowest)

- 4 Monterey Rd & Old Monterey Rd (near the old fire station)
- 6 Monterey Rd & Wright Ave
- 5 Monterey Rd & Madrone Pkwy
- 3 Monterey Rd & Spring Ave
- 1 Butterfield Blvd Avenue & Dunne (near Frank's Plumbing)
- 2 Butterfield Blvd & Diana Ave (near the courthouse)

Additional Documents:

The following documents should be included and attached in PDF format.

1. Box Template with Artwork Design (Required)
2. PDF of images of prior artwork by artist

Agreement to terms of Artist Agreements:

I understand that if selected that prior to commencing work on the Utility Box Art Program I will be required to sign and execute the City of Morgan Hill Artist Agreement. I further understand that during the selection and review process the materials I have submitted will be made public through the review process.

Captal Riley
Artist Signature

10/8/2021
Date



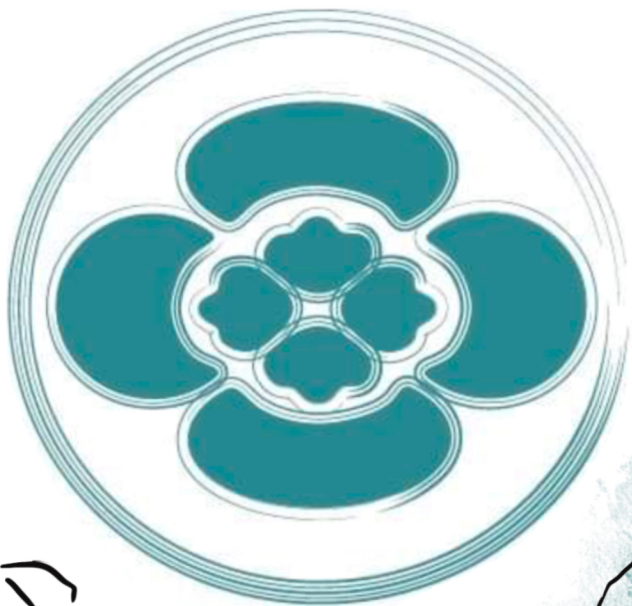
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Attachment: Application Packet

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ART FUND UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Receive update on Art Fund.

REPORT NARRATIVE:

The purpose of this report is to provide the available fund balance in the City's Art Fund.

Art Fund		Notes
Overall Fund Balance	\$ 67,600	
Committed Funds		
Budgeted Art Funds	\$ 20,000	Tarantula Repair, Sculpture Patina
Utility Box Sponsorship	\$ 800	
Future Art Project	\$ 46,000	
Other Available Funds	\$ 800	



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WORK PLAN UPDATES

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Commissioners to provide updates on Work Plan items.

REPORT NARRATIVE:

The Commission develops its Work Plan annually each fiscal year. The Commission Fiscal Year 2021-22 Work Plan was approved by the City Council on August 4, 2021. Commissioners may use this item to discuss progress and updates relating to Work Plan items.

LINKS/ATTACHMENTS:

1. LCAC 2021-2022 Workplan Final 9.7.21

Library, Culture & Arts Commission

FY 2021-2022 Work Plan

Approved by the City Council on August 4, 2021 Updated on September 7, 2021

Overall Mission: To assist the City Council in accomplishing its goals by fostering an environment conducive to and supportive of the arts, culture, and life-long learning in Morgan Hill, working with existing community groups to promote resources, and facilitate partnerships.

Project Area	City Council Goal Supported	Staff Resources Required	Specific Task / Commissioners Assigned
Community Outreach	Supporting our Youth, Seniors and Entire Community Enhancing Diversity and Inclusiveness Community Engagement and Messaging	PS Director (minimal) CS Supervisor (moderate)	(1) Participate with other groups to support community outreach and support arts and culture in the community (including Valle del Sur, El Toro Arts, SV Creates, Poppy Jasper Film Festival, Morgan Hill Diwali Festival, Coyote Creek Music Festival, Morgan Hill Art School, DTA Wine Art and Music Stroll, SJMA Let's Look at Art, Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana) (All) (2) Explore development of a calendar relating to library, culture and arts events and/or development of a publication plan for upcoming events. (Khera/Borchers) (3) Explore opportunities for art programming in conjunction with the new Morgan Hill Magical Bridge Playground. (Khera/Chabra/Santiago) (4) Review City Commission website for opportunities for improvement and explore use of social media for promotion of Commission initiatives (Chabra/Borchers/Ganapathy) (5) Develop outreach program to the Latinx community through art programming (Lake/Lyn) (6) Develop open art studio program (physical or virtual) (Lake/Ganapathy/Borchers) (7) Create a Morgan Hill coloring book in partnership with local artists (Santiago/Ganapathy)
Art and Culture Events	Supporting our Youth, Seniors and Entire Community Enhancing Diversity and Inclusiveness	PS Director (minimal) CS Coordinator (minimal) CS Supervisor (minimal)	(1) Facilitate the Art a la Carte event (Lake/Chabra are the leads/all members will support) (2) Partner with artists on a children's art show with the Taste of Morgan Hill or International Celebration (Khera/Chabra) (3) Evaluate the opportunity to create an international festival utilizing entertainment and food from various cultures (All)

Attachment: LCAC 2021-2022 Workplan Final 9.7.21 (3225 : Work Plan Updates)

Project Area	City Council Goal Supported	Staff Resources Required	Specific Task / Commissioners Assigned
Permanent and Proposed Public Art	Supporting our Youth, Seniors and Entire Community Preserving Our Cultural Heritage	PS Director (minimal) Maintenance Coordinator (minimal)	(1) Implementing a utility box art program (Ganapathy/Chabra/Borchers/Lyn) (2) Celebration/unveiling of Poppy Jasper Art (Ganapathy/Khera) (3) Celebration/unveiling of Never Forgotten Sculpture (Lyn/Santiago/Lake) (4) Form subcommittees as needed to support specific art requests that come forward (All) (5) Review art inventory and complete updates to historical items list (Borchers/Lyn) (6) Creating an artist registry (Khera/Borchers/Lyn) (7) Develop google map of existing public art (Borchers) (8) Develop and recommend a plan for the use of Public Arts Funds (All) (9) Explore public art related to a homelessness outreach mural (Santiago)
Library Outreach and Support	Supporting our Youth, Seniors and Entire Community Enhancing Diversity and Inclusiveness	Library Staff (moderate)	(1) Support Library outreach and advocacy as needed (All) (2) Coordinate Commissioner's Corner in Library to provide book recommendations (Khera/Ganapathy/Lyn) (3) Participate in annual Library Commissioners Forum (All) (4) Support incorporation of Children's art into the Library (Lake/Chabra/Lyn) (5) Explore other opportunities for Library art contests in other media (examples: poetry, photography, literature) (Ganapathy/Borchers/Lyn)
Support of Historical Resources	Preserving our Cultural Heritage	PS Director (minimal)	(1) Explore opportunities for the Commission to support the Morgan Hill Historical Society partnership, including supporting the Black History the Project (Ganapathy/Lyn) (2) Support outreach and advocacy for the Historical Society as needed (All)

Staff Resources Required:

0-30 hours: Minimal; 31-60 hours: Moderate; 60+ hours: Significant

Parking Lot for Future Work Plan Items

Explore opportunities for youth engagement in arts (Khera)