

Friends of the Marina Library (FoML)

The mission of The Friends of the Marina Library is to provide advocacy, funding, and volunteer resources to support the Marina Branch Library in order to meet the needs of our community.

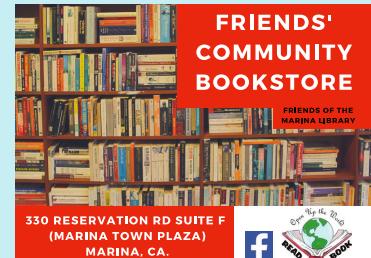
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We have many accomplishments to share in this first membership newsletter. Our annual used book sale was held over five days in Sept. with the help of dozens of volunteers and community partners from CSUMB sports teams, Marina High School Cross Country runners, Monterey Bay Charter School students, CSUMB's Lamda Theta Nu Sorority, the Marina Fire Department and our dedicated regulars. We raised \$17,000. We thank you all for your support! We could use more help; as we launch a [new bookstore](#), we invite you to make the store a volunteer outlet and opportunity. **Friends' Community Bookstore** is located at 330 Reservation Road Suite F. Look for information and updates on our [Facebook](#) page. Contact Book Store Manager Joanne Bowman at 831.277-0507 to volunteer.

You also can support us through participation in **Monterey County Gives!** We are excited to be one of 150 local nonprofits selected who come up with a Big Idea (our store). The campaign starts Nov. 9. We will be sending you a link to our **MC Gives!** webpage with instructions on how to donate.

As always, our goal is to raise funds to continue providing free programing, such as bi-monthly music showcases, movies, monthly children's block party, initiatives such as teen & adult photo camps, expansion of library collection (including e-books), improvements (picnic tables outside), annual all-children's birthday celebration & all the activities that make our Marina Library a welcoming center of community.



NOW OPEN - A Volunteer-Run Bookstore for Marina & Beyond

We are excited to announce the popularity of our book sales promoted a board decision to go big and open a bookstore in Marina!

Friends' Community Bookstore is now open at 330 Reservation Road Suite F. Book donations can be dropped off and volunteers can sign up to work the store. Come to the Nov. 11 Grand Opening All- Day Open House, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.



MC Gives! Support Our Big Idea

We need you to help make our bookstore a community success. For the first time FoML is a participant in Monterey Gives! from 11/9 - 12/31. Donate as part of this year-end giving campaign. Transfers of stock as donations are also accepted. Info: call FoML Pres. Cristina Medina Dirksen at 277-8586 for information.

Volunteer Spotlight

Long-time supporter and former FoML Board Member Astrid Lang

There is a special name for that comforting place where hundreds of children have excitedly gathered for weekly story time at the Marina Library. It's the **Michelle Lang Children's Room**.



Named for a mother who we all can relate to - she was busy juggling work, getting homework done, seeing to it that her sons were well loved and cared for while finding time to help others. Amid the bustle, her family always came first.

Michelle's mother, Marina-resident Astrid Lang, made the room possible endowing it in her daughter's memory.



Astrid has been a long-time FoML board member and among the group of people instrumental in getting the beautiful Marina Library built.

She also makes sure every child is celebrated, as the force behind the Annual "All Children's Celebration" held in May. This year, more than 300 children were treated to dancing instruction by Marina Youth Arts Theater instructor Kelly Pelton, pony rides, face painting, being able to climb aboard a Marina Fire truck and Police motorcycle and of course, ice cream.

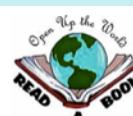
It's always a happy, memorable and exhausting day for all the children! In addition to planning the party, Astrid has worked tirelessly to sort, price and get our children's book sale selections into the hands of your eager children!

We sincerely thank Astrid for all her dedication, love and foresight in making the Marina Library what it is today! **Photos: FoML Volunteer Ray Santella**

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP NOW AVAILABLE

We are now offering Lifetime Friends of the Marina Library memberships. For \$300 you will receive a badge, a book bag and satisfaction knowing that your support is vital to our community.

Sign up at www.friendsofthemarinalibrary.org, at our next library book sale (Dec. 9 & 10) or stop in at our new Friends' Community Bookstore to sign up or switch over!



The Friends of the Marina Library Membership Application

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____
Please print clearly

New Renewal Member

Would you like to volunteer? Yes No

The Friends of the Marina Library is a non-profit, public-benefit organization. Please send your membership dues to Post Office Box 493, Marina, CA 93933. Questions? 831-277-6477

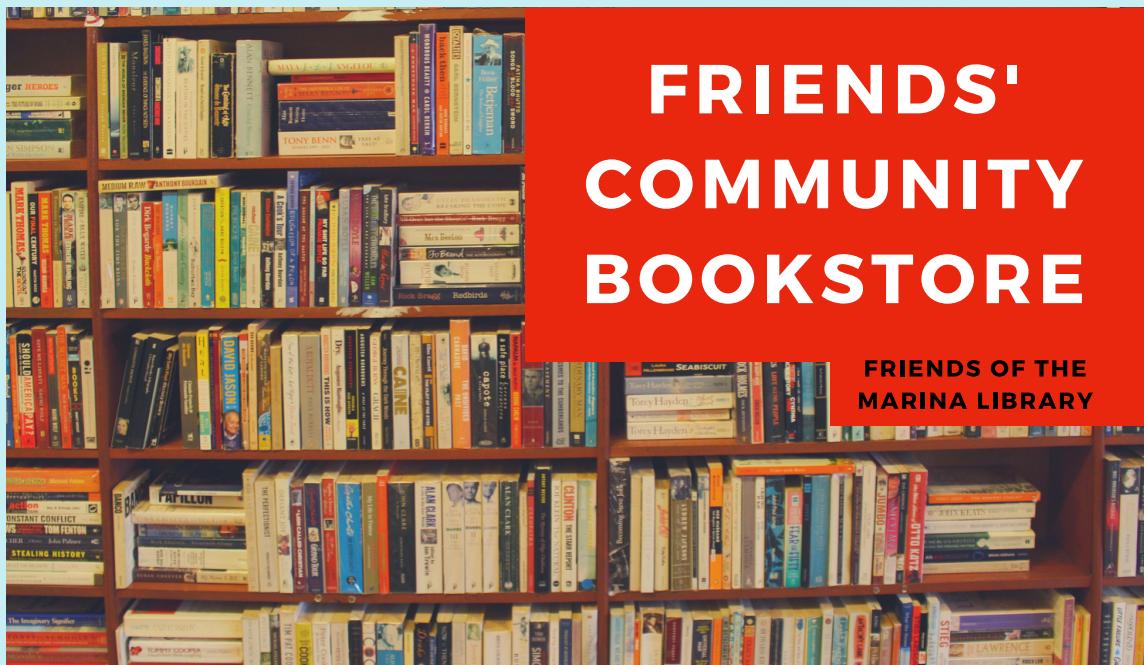
Annual Membership Dues
 Student \$2.00
 Senior \$5.00
 Adult \$10.00
 Family \$15.00
 Business \$25.00
 Youth Back Pack \$5.00
 Book Bag (w/membership) \$5.00
 Book Bag (alone) \$10.00

Lifetime Membership \$300.00

 Cash Credit/Debit Card
 Check (#_____)

Additional donation of \$ _____
Total Enclosed \$ _____

UPCOMING EVENTS - FRIENDS' COMMUNITY BOOKSTORE GRAND OPENING & OPEN HOUSE
SAT. NOV. 11 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. 330 RESERVATION RD. SUITE F

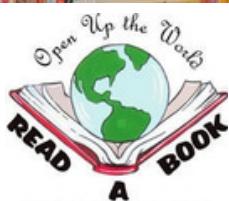


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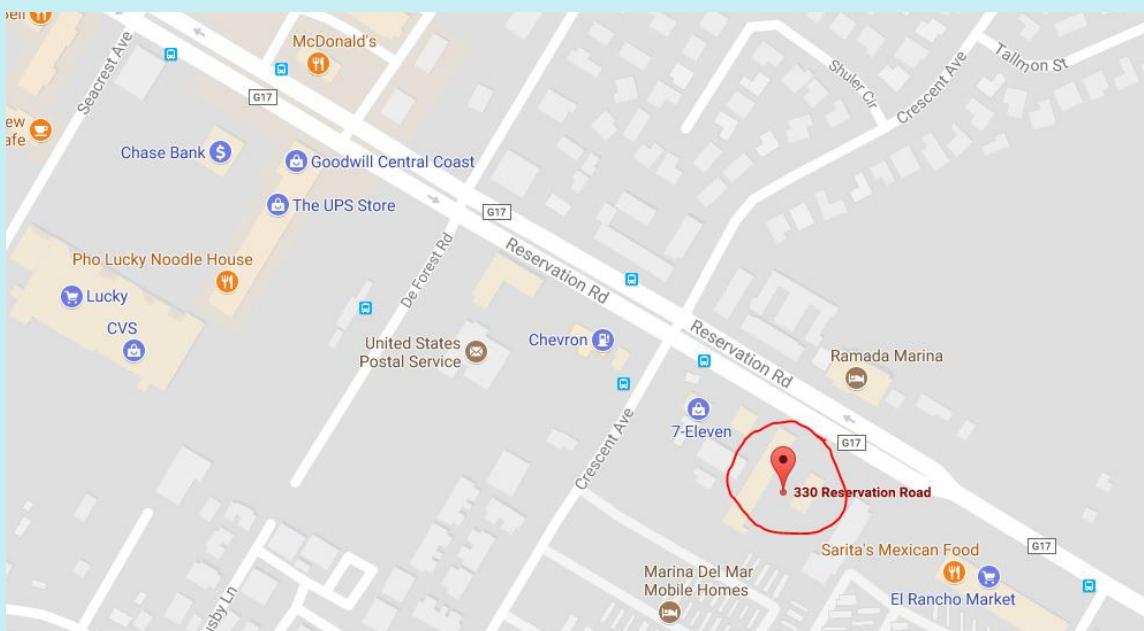
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MARINA LIBRARY

330 RESERVATION RD SUITE F
(MARINA TOWN PLAZA)
MARINA, CA.

*Former Learning for Life School Location



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Hours Tues. - Sun.

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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