



Issue #61



MARY'S CORNER

Hello Lakeside Community,

We continue to offer our hybrid model of service:

In-Person service on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays:

- On these days you can come into the library between 10:00 am - 12:30 pm, and 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm. We must close for an hour in the middle of the day for a sanitation break. You are welcome to browse and check-out books, pick-up your holds, use our computers (we have four desktops and two laptops available), get a library card, and speak with Library Staff.

Door-Side Only service on Mondays and Fridays:

- On these days you walk up to the table set up at our front door between 10:00 am - 4:00 pm and scan your card. Library staff will retrieve your items, check them out to you, and then push them across a six-foot table for you to take home. There is no sanitation break on these days.

*** For everyone's safety and in accordance with San Diego County Health Orders, all customers must wear a facial covering that covers their mouth and nose. This is true for In-Person service AND Door-Side Only service.***

NEXT COVID-19 TESTING DATE: Wednesday, April 21st from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm, in the Community Center Parking Lot

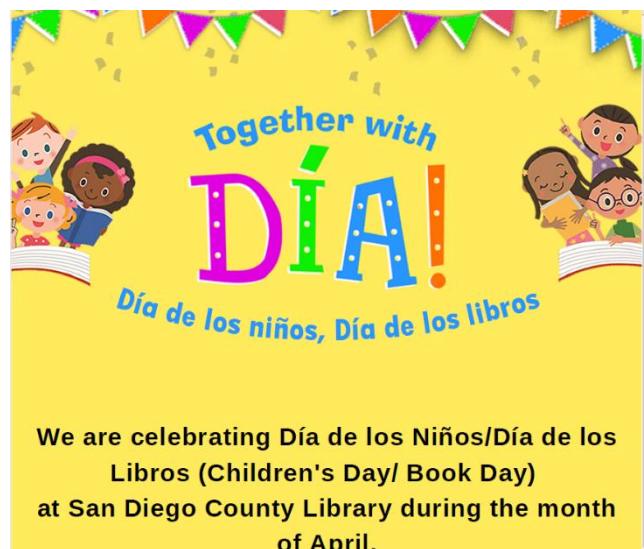
April 2021



A big THANK YOU to our own Sharon Smith for making matching Bookworm masks for all Lakeside staff!

APRIL MEANS DIA!

Beginning April 1st come to Lindo Lake Park to read our Story Trail! After you read and walk, come to the library and ask staff how kids and teens (18 and under), can get their FREE Día activity kits and books!



We are celebrating Día de los Niños/Día de los Libros (Children's Day/ Book Day) at San Diego County Library during the month of April.

Mary Elder



MEMBERSHIP

We are grateful for all of our Lakeside Friends. We hope that you will continue to support this group. Becoming a member will keep you informed about library activities including progress toward the new library. There are many benefits to becoming a member of the Lakeside Friends of the Library

Members receive this newsletter, receive the latest updates on the new library, are entitled to free opportunity drawing tickets at designated events, get specials at book sales, may attend Board meetings and are invited to the yearly general membership meetings.

Individual membership - \$15 / year

Senior membership - \$10 / year

Family membership - \$25 / year

Organization/Corporate membership - \$75 / year

Lifetime membership - \$150

Monetary donations of \$500 or more shall be granted Lifetime Membership and all its privileges.

You can renew your membership in person at the library, on our website lakesidecafriends.org, or mail your check with your name, address, phone number, email and type of membership to Lakeside Friends of the Library, 9839 Vine St., Lakeside, CA 92040.

A big thank you to the following for joining or renewing their membership:

News members:

Laurel Dehnel - Lifetime

Judy Smith - Senior

Cheryl Fuller - Senior

Renewals:

Liz Harris - Individual

Toni Cronin - Individual

Linda Colbert - Senior

Thank you for supporting the Lakeside Friends of the Library.

BEVERLY CLEARY, BELOVED CHILDREN'S BOOK AUTHOR

Beverly Cleary, who enthralled tens of millions of young readers with the adventures and mishaps of Henry Huggins and his dog Ribsy, the bratty Ramona Quimby and her older sister Beezus, and other residents of Klickitat Street, died on March 25, 2021, in Carmel, Calif. She was 104.

Beverly Cleary's books have earned her many prestigious awards. In honor of her achievements, she's been named a Living Legend by the Library of Congress.

But of most importance to Beverly Cleary, her books have won more than 35 statewide awards based on the votes of her young readers. Her characters have delighted children for generations.

With "Henry Huggins," published in 1950, Ms. Cleary, a librarian by trade, introduced a contemporary note into children's literature. In a humorous, lively style, she made compelling drama out of the everyday problems, small injustices and perplexing mysteries — adults chief among them — that define middle-class American childhood.

Always sympathetic, never condescending, she presented her readers with characters they knew and understood, the 20th-century equivalents of Huck Finn or Louisa May Alcott's Little Women, and every bit as popular: Her books sold more than 85 million copies, according to HarperCollins.

DAWN ESPEDAL HONORED FOR 15 YEARS OF EXCELLENT WORK

Dawn Espedal was honored with flowers and a 15-year pin for her working for our County, clearly at our Lakeside library. Dawn is one person who gets to know each person who comes into the library, and she remembers all of our names too!

We are so lucky to have someone who lives and works in our community and who loves books.





BOARD MEETINGS

April's in-person meeting has been canceled due to Covid-19. The Friends of the Lakeside Library normally meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at the library. All members are welcome! Contact us to ask questions or to volunteer your time. We can be reached at 619-631-5614. Leave a message and someone will return your call, or e-mail us at lakesidefriends@gmail.com

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WHAT ARE YOU READING???

Tell us about it by going to our Facebook page or to our website: www.lakesidefriends.org visit Contact Us and let us know what you are reading with a short review and we will try to publish some in our newsletter. While you're there also complete our Survey Questionnaire as we truly are going to still be getting a new Lakeside Library...with shovel in the ground Spring 2021.

This month Michael Evans-Layng, Friends Secretary/Grants, shares:

The Making of the Atomic Bomb by Richard Rhodes
Winner of the Pulitzer Prize, National Book Award, and the National Book Critics Circle Award

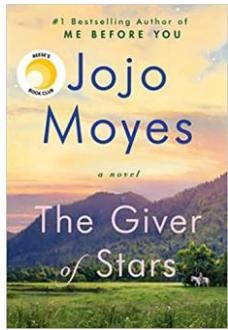
This is one of finest works of history I've ever read. The narrative takes us from physics at the turn of the 20th century to the end of World War II. If you have any interest in physics—and the many distinctive personalities involved—this book is for you. If you're interested in an in-depth look at scientific, political, and military history during the first half of the 20th century, this book is for you. The writing is clear and the

research is extraordinary, particularly as Rhodes benefited from the opening of Soviet archives. It won every major book award when it came out, and rightfully so. To quote from the Amazon description, "It is at once a narrative tour de force and a document as powerful as its subject."

Tina White, Friends Membership Chair, really enjoyed reading:

The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes, is historical fiction based on the Works Progress

Administration project called the Pack Horse Library Project. This Project was part of the New Deal and was created to deliver books to remote regions in the Appalachian Mountains. Between 1935 - 1943, women would ride horses to homes in rural mountain locations, delivering books to families as part of the program.



They would come again the next week to retrieve those books and switch them out with others.

In **The Giver of Stars**, the traveling librarians each had struggles or difficult challenges in their personal lives, in addition to the challenges they met as part of the pack horse library. These challenges seemed to make them more committed to the program. Each of these women found fulfillment in their unique and challenging role of travelling librarian. They enjoyed nature, self-sufficiency in the elements, and establishing meaningful relationships with families, knowing what an important role they were playing in people's lives. Their "customers" let them know week by week just how happy the books made them, and the librarians were touched to see children learn to read when they might not have otherwise.

This book has a bit of everything including likeable characters, life challenges met with pluck and resiliency, a strong sense of community...but most of all, friendship. This little library was a safe haven from the problems of the outside world, where one could have a cup of coffee, build a fire, talk about their problems, lock the door against unwelcome visitors, or just read a book in peace. It also was a place where women were able to build self-esteem, feel productive and add meaning to their lives. I highly recommend this book and encourage you to learn more about the history of pack horse Librarians.

"The library is inhabited by spirits that come out of the pages at night." - Isabel Allende



Nina Drammissi, Friends Educational/Community Liaison, shares a wonderful book of poetry:

Hello Dear FOL Members! I want to relay how a wonderful book played a delightful role in my mom's 87th birthday celebration. My sister and I took our mom to a magical Air BnB on a Ramona Ranch. We celebrated by breathing in fresh mountain air, walking in sun-kissed valleys, and visiting an assortment of animal residents of the ranch. While enjoying precious time, we pulled out a book of poetry to read to each other. The book, **Devotions**, by Mary Oliver, is a collection that was arranged by Ms. Oliver from 26 of her publications.

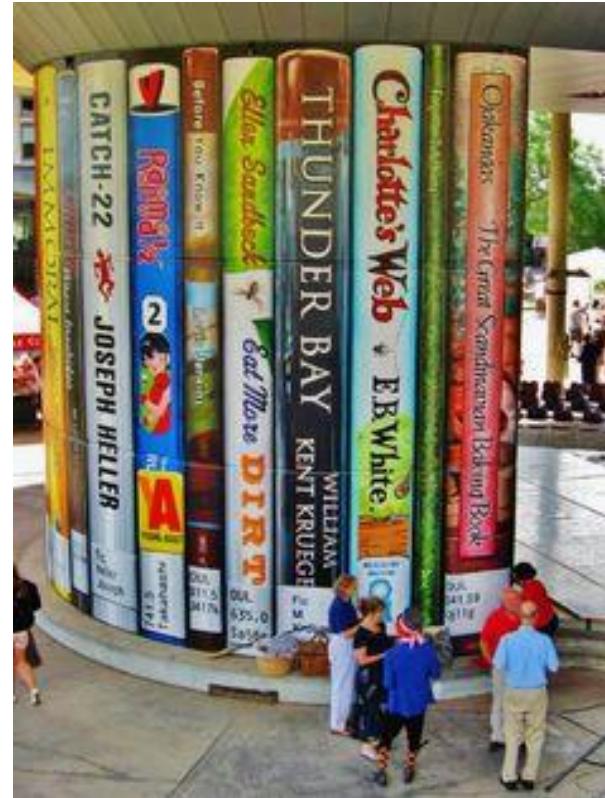
Her work highlights the passion and wonder of the natural world. It also magnifies the beauty of small moments that make up our lives. Reading her insightful observations filled us with gratitude and inspired us to look at our world in awe. We toasted my mom's 87 years and truly took stock of what it meant to be together. Here is a small taste of Mary Oliver's transformative writing from 1986. You won't be able to read one poem... you'll have to do a search and find a collection of her poetry! Go ahead... dig in and share with friends and loved ones!

Wild Geese

You do not have to be good.
 You do not have to walk on your knees
 for a hundred miles through the desert, repenting.
 You only have to let the soft animal of your body
 love what it loves.
 Tell me about despair, yours, and I will tell you mine.
 Meanwhile the world goes on.
 Meanwhile the sun and the clear pebbles of the rain
 are moving across the landscapes,
 over the prairies and the deep trees,
 the mountains and the rivers.
 Meanwhile the wild geese, high in the clean blue air,
 are heading home again.
 Whoever you are, no matter how lonely,
 the world offers itself to your imagination,
 calls to you like the wild geese, harsh and exciting –
 over and over announcing your place
 in the family of things.

-Mary Oliver

“When I discovered libraries, it was like having Christmas every day.”
 — Jean Fritz



Duluth Public Library

“Reading is escape, and the opposite of escape; it’s a way to make contact with reality after a day of making things up, and it’s a way of making contact with someone else’s imagination after a day that’s all too real.” - Nora Ephron

Happy Easter!

