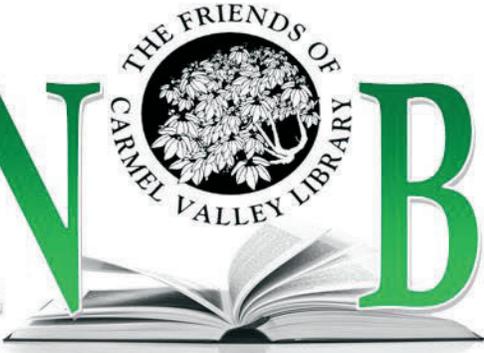


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The purpose of The Friends of the Carmel Valley Library is to maintain an association of persons interested in the Carmel Valley Branch Library; to foster community participation in, support for, and cooperation with the library in developing library services and facilities for the community, and to solicit and encourage gifts, endowments, and bequests.

TRAVEL NOTES

Since becoming involved with Friends of the Carmel Valley Library, I've made it a habit to visit libraries in other small communities. There are some beauties out there that reflect the strength and community spirit of America's small towns.

In Sitka, Alaska, comfortable chairs and useful desks look over the bay to snowcapped mountains. In Homer, Alaska, tree trunks stand in the children's room and marine-themed alphabet paintings line the walls.

Part of a good vacation is the joy of returning home. At our Carmel Valley Library, the garden and building are lovely and the adobe walls embody the history of our community. The staff is as friendly and the books and programs are as interesting as anywhere I've visited—all reflecting a community that cares deeply about its library.

I hope some of the tourists who make their way to our village stop to enjoy the old Buckeye building and our library. Thank you for supporting a library we can be proud of.

-Cynthia Hertlein, President, FOCVL

BIG BOOK SALE

The Friends are holding a book sale on the porch of the Carmel Valley Historical Society Museum during FIESTA celebrations, August 3 & 4. **Book donations will be welcomed—but not quite yet.** Because we have no secure place to store books, we are asking patrons to **bring their gently used books to the library during open hours from July 16 until August 1.**

Books in poor condition don't sell, nor do obsolete text books; please recycle them.

Volunteers needed to help set up on Friday August 2, to work the sale on Saturday & Sunday, and to help take down on Sunday. If you can help, send an email to info@focvl.org. (This is a great way for teens to earn community service credit and for all to give back to the community.)

SUMMER FUN AT THE LIBRARY

The Summer Reading Program is in full swing. In addition to prizes for reading, the library will host special events on Wednesdays, Fridays & Saturdays throughout June & July including pythons, science experiments, musical robots, game days and dances. For the full schedule, stop by the library or visit FOCVL.org to see what's "In the Library".

APOLLO 11 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, SATURDAY JULY 20, 10:30AM – 4:00 PM

Library staff, with support from the Friends of Carmel Valley Library and the Monterey County Free Libraries Foundation, are putting on a day of Family Fun to celebrate the first manned lunar landing. Activities will include Story Time from Space, a classic lunar lander game, coloring and activity pages for kids, a special historical gallery with images and models, an outer space selfie-station, a special NASA themed Makerspace Fair with six stations, historical videos, outer space trivia games for kids, teens, and adults, music, dancing, and more. At 12:30, the Friends will help unveil a special gift to the library.

Come join the fun and share your memories of that momentous "Leap for Mankind".

THANK YOUs TO

- **Carmel Valley Women's Club** for a grant to install an electric ignition system for the fireplace (wind kept blowing out the pilot light)
- **Carmel Valley Garden Club** for a grant to support garden-related pursuits that improve, beautify and help educate our community about plants and gardens.
- **Kiwanis Club** for the new American flag.
- **Jack West** for stabilizing the Buckeye sign (it was slowly sinking into the wet ground)
- **Carmel Valley Historical Society** for joining us in putting on the Big Book Sale on the Museum porch during Fiesta weekend.



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CONGRATULATIONS TO LIBRARIAN EDDY HAMELIN!



Not only will Eddy be attending many workshops to learn of more services and programs our library might offer to patrons, he has been selected to be a **presenter at the Internet Librarian Conference** in Monterey (this October), speaking to 200 librarians from around the world about community-focused programming. It is a great

honor to be selected to speak, as many apply but few proposals are accepted. Congratulations Eddy!

THANK YOU, LINDA INGRAM, FOR 20 YEARS OF LIBRARY SERVICE!



Linda Ingram, a friendly and familiar face at the library, recently received recognition for **20 years of service!** Thank you, Linda, for all you do, and have done, to make the library such a wonderful place. You're greatly appreciated!

FIRST SATURDAY SERIES SCHEDULE

10:15am – Free to the Public – Coffee & Bagels – At the library – First come, first seated – About an hour
-Sponsored by the Friends

- Sept. 7** **Mike Clancy** on our current understanding of climate change. He is a Member of the Citizens Climate Lobby, Former Technical & Scientific Director Fleet Numerical Meteorological & Oceanography Center in Monterey.
- Oct. 5** **Meredith May**, author of a memoir of a girl saved by bees. Her book, "The Honey Bus", is a personal narrative of her childhood in Carmel Valley.
- Nov. 2** **Chris Chase**, on the story of restoring, repurposing, and ultimately returning the *Western Flier* to the waters of Monterey Bay in 2021.

Videos of First Saturday Events

The most recent programs are available for viewing on our website at FOCVL.org/archives. Older videos are also available.

- On June 5, Jeff Ohlson of the Carmel Valley Historical Society spoke on the important role the Jamesburg Earth Station in Carmel Valley played in delivering the live TV signal of Neil Armstrong's first steps on the moon in July, 1969. This is the topic of a booklet written by Reggie Jones for the Historical Society.
- On April 6, Brian LeNeve, Conservation Chair of the Carmel River Steelhead Association, spoke on saving the Carmel River Steelhead.