



PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Cathy Brant

The Friends, with the expertise of Library Director Jeannie Kays, have received two generous grants for the Born to Read Program. The Desert Regional Auxiliary donated \$2,000 and is very excited to have us provide kits for parents of newborns. In addition, we received a grant of \$7,500 from the Anderson Children's Foundation, which was started in 1970 by Irene Anderson in memory of her late husband, Guy. Its purpose is to provide aid for the unmet needs of children in the Coachella Valley. In addition, Friends' member Mary Ellis sent in a donation to support the Summer Reading Program.

Kathryn Hug, having made a significant donation to the Friends for Book Club selections, wrote that she enjoys the discussions immensely. "Richard Bass does an excellent job of coordinating the group. The library staff supports his efforts with timely ordering and displaying of the books. I commend the Friends for making the Book Club an annual project."

We are very fortunate to have the support of Friends like these!

David Bryant, Director of the Rancho Mirage Public Library, wrote a column for the Desert Sun that I believe is worth mention. He states: Parents, grandparents and caregivers should know: learning never stops and opportunities for children to learn are ever present at our Valley's many libraries. When summer comes, public libraries rev up their ongoing programming and polish their mission to get kids READING and keep kids READING."

"From Palm Springs to Coachella, the Valley's public libraries...are staffed by highly capable librarians who have pride in their work, lots of imagination, and really care about each child. These librarians are energetic in making reading work for every child by recommending the right books for every interest. ...We want children to read their way through summer. We want to help parents 'raise readers.'"

I say Amen to that!

The Friends of the Palm Springs Library is included in Macy's 10th Annual Shop for a Cause on August 29, 2015. When you buy a pass for \$5.00, you will receive 25% off on regular, sale and clearance items. The \$5.00 goes to the Friends. Macy's will begin selling savings passes in all stores beginning Wednesday, August 13. Passes sold in Macy's will benefit the March of Dimes. To benefit the Friends, purchase your passes online now at <http://shopforacause.macysinc.com> or wait until they are available locally in August.

DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES

Jeannie Kays

Our theme this year for Summer Reading is "Read to the Rhythm." We have had some exciting "edu-tainers" this season. We had Alturas Music, regular performers at Downtown Disney, Joseph Peck and his Trinidadian steel drums, Native American Bird Singing and other performers and educators. Check our website, www.palmspringslibrary.org, subscribe to our events on Facebook,

or pick up a flyer at the library for a full roster of programs. Be sure to sign up for Summer Reading too! Not only is it free, but just for registering, you will receive a small token of our appreciation. Summer Reading continues through July 22, 2015, for youth and adults, and through July 23, 2015, for teens. At the grand finale events, we will give away the grand prizes, an XBOX 360 Kinect gaming console, with you at the controls. These grand prizes, along with a large portion of Summer Reading were sponsored by the Friends of the Palm Springs Library. Thank you for your support!

READ TO THE RHYTHM!



BORN to READ



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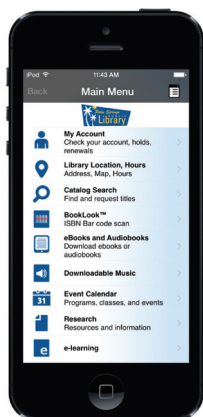
Because learning to read and developing the love of reading are two important steps toward success in life, the Palm Springs Public Library, in partnership with the Friends of the Palm Springs Library have developed a Born to Read program. We are working with Desert Regional Medical Center to

give each newborn a kit of valuable resources to get them off to a good start in life. Each kit will contain a reusable tote bag, a cute bib, and handouts explaining the importance of reading, a baby's stages of development, and information about the library's programs and services. Most importantly, the kit contains TWO bilingual board books. One is a **Clifford the Big Red Dog** story, and the other a concept book of like shapes or colors. To receive a kit, hospital staff will issue parents of each newborn a Born to Read voucher which can then be redeemed at the library. Desert

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Access the Palm Springs Public Library 24/7 with their Mobile App

Providing one-click access to the Library wherever you are!



Want to renew a book or place one on hold? There's an app for that! Need Library hours or location? There's an app for that. Want to download an e-book, music or e-Magazine? Find information fast? There's an app for that, too.

The Palm Springs Public Library has a FREE mobile app to put the library at your fingertips from any smart phone or tablet connected to the internet. Instantly tap into library resources, anytime, anywhere. You can search the library catalog, check your account, renew items, find library events and more.

To access the library's mobile app, search Palm Springs Public Library in your smart phone, web-enabled mobile device, or tablet's marketplace and download the FREE app. "Everyone lives on their mobile phones these days, so it's important for the library to be easily accessible whenever and wherever people have need of our resources," says Jeannie Kays, Director of Library Services. "Our mobile app puts library information just one click away with much faster access than going through a browser. We encourage everyone to take advantage of this new way to use the library by downloading our app."

Searching the catalog with the mobile app is especially easy. Just type the first few letters of two or three words and search results will begin to appear. For example, if you're looking up Mark Twain in the catalog, just type "ma twa." Once you find the title you're looking for, you can place it on hold right from your phone.

Other features include BookLook Mobile that lets you scan an ISBN barcode anywhere you are to see if the library owns the title. "This is an amazing feature," says Jeannie Kays. "If you're at a bookstore you can just scan the ISBN, see if we own it and—if we do—place a hold on it right from your phone."

For more information about the Library app and much more go to www.palmspringslibrary.org. The Library is located at 300 S. Sunrise Way in Palm Springs, California.

BORN TO READ (CONTINUED)

Regional Medical Center expects 3,600-4,000 babies to be born each year!

With staff and Friends of the Library showing so much enthusiasm for this project, it is easy to understand why we have been awarded two grants in its support. While the grants from the Desert Regional Medical Center Auxiliary and the Anderson Children's Foundation are very significant, we cannot do this alone. The cost per kit is \$10. Consider sponsoring one, or as many as you like, through cash, check, or secure online donation at www.friendsofthepalmspringslibrary.org. Be sure to mention "Born to Read" on your donations. They are greatly appreciated.

EVENTS COMMITTEE

Marie Weigel

Calling all members!!!!!! Be on the lookout for upcoming events we are working to present this season. Here are a few:



Palm Springs ecologist, author and Desert Sun columnist Jim Cornett will be our featured speaker at the Friends Annual Meeting in March.

He has more than 30 published books to his credit, has traveled and studied the world's great deserts, and lives right here in our own desert backyard! His lectures are enlightening, entertaining and draw a crowd.

The Friends will have Jim's latest book on hand for purchase, as well as a book signing. We hope you will join us to celebrate being a supporting member of The Friends of the Palm Springs Library and for an opportunity to get to know a desert expert!

The Friends will also host a "Get Your Kicks on Route 66" fundraiser in January. Last season, the library's Route 66 lecture with Steve Brown and Jim Conkle was so popular, an encore presentation was held due to demand. Steve is host and writer of "The Real Desert" for PBS and Jim is considered an authority on the history, preservation and culture of Route 66. Since Steve and Jim last packed the house here, they have packed their car and hit the road again. The Friends are excited to have them back with details of their latest road trip adventures on Route 66.

Look for upcoming events listed on the Library TV in the Lobby and on our Friends website.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Barbara Stanford

Welcome to our New Members!



Gold (\$500): Ford, Nic

Family (\$30):

Pitts, Larry

Siglinger, Nancy and Don

Individual (\$20): Garcia, Olwen

Hobbs, Lynne Severin, Suzanne

Tower, Julie Turner, Kerry

Zapala, Margaret

Thank you for your Renewals at Patron and Above:

Platinum (\$1,000): Pollock, Robert and Eileen

Corporate (\$150): Morrison, Nanci

Patron (\$100): Allardyce, Bernard Balbach, Edith

Blochberger, Charles Brant, Cathy Jackson, Carol

Miller, Laura and Jeff Morrison, Nanci

Scheibner, Paul and Irene Seidel, Christopher

Stanford, Barbara

Thank you for your Generous Donations:

Mary Ellis \$100 for the Summer Reading Program

Kathryn Hug \$400 for Book Club purchases

BOOK SALES

Richard Ellis



Nonfiction Book Sale: July 14th, Noon to 2 p.m. in the Library Lobby

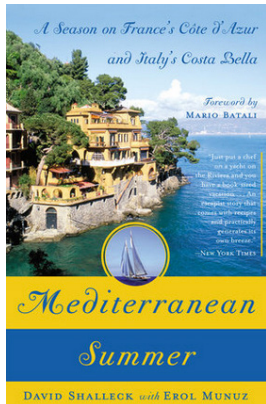
Fiction Book Sale: October 24th, Noon to 2 p.m. in the Library Lobby

CD/DVD/Audiobook Sale: December 12, Noon to 2 p.m., in the Library Lobby
Annual Book Sale: February 26, 27, 28, 2016

Daily book sales are ongoing in the lobby. Fiction is on the south wall and nonfiction is on the north wall. Every sale helps support the Friends ongoing projects. We appreciate your business!

BOOK CLUBS

Thursday, July 9, 2015—The Cover to Cover Book Club continues at the Mizell Senior Center. Meeting the second



Thursday of each month, the meetings start at 10:30 am at the senior center. The book for July is *Mediterranean Summer* by David Shalleck with Erol Munuz.

The Friends of the Library Book Club has concluded for the season, they will resume in September.

The selected books are available to be checked out at the Library and many titles can also be downloaded as an audiobook or eBook from the Library's web site.

For more information on any of these book clubs, including a complete list of dates and selected book titles, please go to the Library's web site at www.palmspringslibrary.org, you click 'Book Clubs' on the left navigation bar.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM FOR ADULTS

[Note: all programs take place in the Learning Center of the Library. For more information, visit the Library or go to www.palmspringslibrary.org]

JULY 2015

July 7th Read To The Rhythm—Movie Musical Tuesdays at the Palm Springs Public Library. Today's film will be **A Mighty Wind** (rated PG-13) and will be shown 2:00-4:00 p.m.

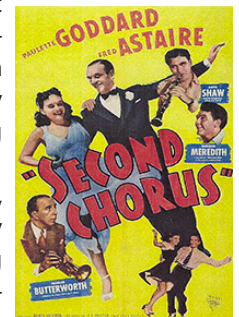
July 14th Read To The Rhythm—Movie Musical Tuesdays at the Palm Springs Public Library. Today's film will be **Beach Party** (NR) and will be shown 2:00-4:00 p.m.



Wednesday, July 22nd Read To The Rhythm—Adult Summer Reading Finale--Big Band Era Films at the Palm Springs Public Library. Film his-

torian, Christopher Perry, will give a short presentation about the heyday of Hollywood musicals before showing **"Second Chorus"**.

The 1940 musical starring Fred Astaire, Burgess Meredith, accompanied by Paulette Goddard with Artie Shaw's Big Band, will be shown on a reeled projector! This special program will be from 6:00-8:00 p.m., including giveaways and the Grand Prize drawing for the XBOX 360 KINECT!





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