



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Cathy Brant**

The Library's Summer Reading Program is off and running with the theme "Read for the Win!" Friends' volunteers are participating by working the registration tables, helping set up and clean up, and selling tee shirts for the first time. Movies with sports themes are planned for adults and teens and of course fun and interactive programs for Teens and Youth. And, of course, there are the prizes: The Palm Springs Sustainability Commission



donated eleven bikes to give away to lucky raffle winners.



This summer program is just one of the gifts that Library this year.

We have just received a very generous donation of \$400 from Kathryn Hug. This money is designated to purchase the books for our Book Club.

In May, members of the board attended a Library workshop in Ontario. The theme was how to improve Friends' Boards effectiveness. We learned that when listening to others share their experiences and troubles that our board is in pretty good shape! We still have room to improve though. My belief is that if an organization isn't growing and adapting to new events then it begins to atrophy and die. We are committed to remaining strong so that we can support the valuable programs that the Library offers.



In 2019 the Palm Springs Library will celebrate its 100th anniversary! Let's keep that in mind as we sail through summer and begin a busy fall schedule. And as always, I am profoundly grateful for the volunteer hours, generous donations, and active membership that you all provide. It is a pleasure serving as your president.

### DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES

**Jeannie Kays**

#### Staff in-Service Day

Once a year we close the Library so that all the employees can get together for training and team-building. This year's All Staff Day took place on Monday, June 20, 2016. With our strange work schedules and the need to cover six days of service, there is no one day during the week when everyone is together. Therefore, this day is our chance to be together as a team. While this does impact the community, I truly believe that the benefits of stopping to conduct training make us a better place to visit. We can also recharge our batteries and come back to work stronger as a team.



This year's theme was Health and Safety. Guest speakers included Palm Springs Police SWAT Sergeant Kyle Stjerne, Emergency Services Coordinator Anjila Lebsock, and Marcus Cannon from Riverside University Health System. The day's schedule included Active Shooter Training, Emergency Safety and Evacuation Training, and Understanding People with Mental Illness. We also reviewed new policies, procedures, and our new database Brain HQ, among other things. The day was filled with important information, some which we hope to never need to use.



Thank you to the Friends of the Palm Springs Library for sponsoring our lunch.

Ask us about our new database Brain HQ or how you can use our mobile app as your Library card at our self-check stations. (NOTE: Brain HQ should be ready for use sometime in July 2016)

Thank you for supporting the Palm Springs Public Library!



## BOARD DEVELOPMENT: WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBER!

Ralph Thornton

The Board has just approved the application for membership from Catherine (Katy) Dillion, who has been volunteering at our book sales and for Summer Reading. She and her husband Paul also advocated for the Library at recent Town Hall and City Council meetings. She has taken on the job of attending some of the Adult Reading programs to speak about the Friends.

A former physician, she and Paul moved here last fall from Chicago. She was recommended to us as a volunteer by former Board Member LeeOna Hostrop. In her application, Katy wrote: "Libraries are a community portal. . . . Since the P.S. Library was the first place I sought out and joined after moving to Palm Springs from Chicago, I want to help assure its future for those who use it now and in future generations." When asked what she is interested in working on she replied: "I would be happy to help out where I am needed."

## EVENTS COMMITTEE: SAVE THE DATES FOR NEW EVENTS

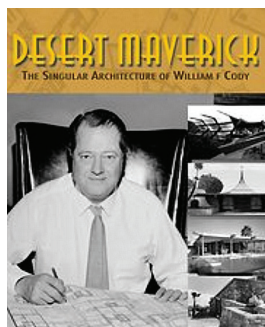
Jacque Wachs and Marie Weigel



The events committee is busy putting together fun and interesting events for the upcoming season. Save the dates and enjoy everything your local library group of friends has to offer this season:

### Saturday, October 22nd Special Modernism Preview Weekend Event: Film Screening & Discussion: *Desert Maverick*

*The Singular Architecture of William F. Cody.* We are featuring William Cody because he was the architect of our present Library building. A film by Leo Zahn, this is the first in-depth exploration of the works of this major Palm Springs modernist architect. Following the film Mr. Zahn will be joined by architect and former Cody colleague Frank Urrutia to discuss Cody's work. This is a FREE but ticketed event, to get tickets go to [www.modernismweek.com](http://www.modernismweek.com). The event will begin at 2:30 p.m. in The Learning Center (TLC). This program is made possible through the generous support of the Friends of the Palm Springs Library.



**Monday, February 20th Special Modernism Event:** Lecture & Cocktail Party: William F. Cody the Architect. Presented at the Palm Springs Public Library, proceeds to benefit the Friends of the Palm Springs Library. More information to come in the Fall.

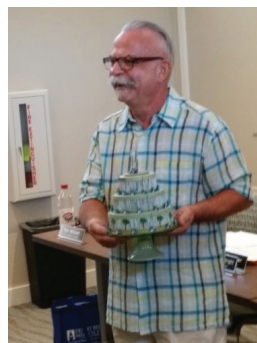
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**Tuesday, February 21st Modernism Lecture & Cocktail Party:** Union Bank Art Panels. Presented at the Welwood Murray Memorial Library, proceeds to benefit the Friends of the Palm Springs Library. More information to come in the Fall.

**March 12, 2017: FOPSL Annual Meeting:** Come and join us for an interesting talk, finger foods and drinks at the Los Compadres Clubhouse. The event is free to members; guests pay \$20, which includes a free membership. Always a great time in a casual, historic environment!

## FRIENDS' MEMBER DAVID GRAY RETIRES FROM LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Thursday, June 23rd was David Gray's final Trustee Board Meeting.



After eight years of service, his term has expired. Not only has he devoted long hours to the work of a Trustee, but he is a long-time volunteer for our events and book sales and has worked tirelessly as an advocate for the Library.

The meeting was held at the newly-renovated Welwood Murray Memorial Library, a project to which the Trustees devoted many long years to complete. In addition to praising our Friends organization, David discussed the many accomplishments that he has participated in as a Trustee: creation of their by-laws; hiring our new Library Director Jeannie Kays; seeing a new roof installed on the Library building; hiring an architect to create conceptual plans for a major renovation of the Library; and just recently, seeing the City Council, led by Council Library Committee members Mayor Moon and Councilman Mills, approve \$500,000 for renovation plans.

To mark his resignation, David has commissioned Yucca Valley artist, Carmen Tostado, to create a "Book Art" sculpture entitled "Palm Springs Holiday." It will be on permanent display in the Welwood lobby. It commemorates the 75th anniversary of the Welwood Murray Memorial Library building.



Trustees Harry Courtwright, Linda Futterer, Library Director Jeannie Kays, Mayor Moon, David, Fred Jandt, and Ron Willison



## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Barbara Stanford, Chair

### Welcome to our New Members!

#### Silver (\$250)

Pengelly, Ken and Engen, David

#### Patron (\$100)

Dunaway, Jay

#### Family (\$30)

Dyer, Rebecca

#### Individual (\$20)

Angeli, Robyn

Fruchtman, Dominique

Hamilton-Selway, Joanne

Olsen, Oliver

### Thank you for your renewals at Patron Level and above:

#### Patron \$100

Balbach, Edith "Edie"

Blochberger, Charles

Brant, Cathleen

Jackson, Carol

Miller, Jeff and Laura

Stanford, Barbara

### Thank you for your donations:

Hug, Dr. Kathy - \$400 for purchase of books for Friends Book Club

Ginsberg, Cindy and Jack - In memory of Molly Cone



## A Note About Paying Online:

The Friends web site, <http://friendsofthepalmspringslibrary.wildapricot.org/>, allows you to renew your membership, make a donation, and register for special events sponsored by the Friends. You may also pay online. The Board has explored a variety of options for online payments. By far the least expensive at this time is PayPal. You do not need a PayPal account to use that payment service. **You may pay with any major credit or debit card.** Here's how it works:

When you click on "Pay," you will be taken to a PayPal page. The option to use a credit or debit card appears **below** the option to use a PayPal account, and you may have to scroll down to see that option. There is no need to create a PayPal account or to log in to pay with a credit or debit card.

Of course, you may use the regular mail to renew your membership or make a donation, and you can just drop them off at the library. For special events, the registration process is handled by a program embedded in the web site. If you prefer to pay by check or cash for one of those events, just call us at 760-668-8838. Thank you for your continued support of the library!



## MACY'S SHOP FOR A CAUSE



### August 26, 27, 28, 2016

The Shop For A Cause offer is a weekend shopping pass discount of 25% throughout the store on an assortment of regular, sale and clearance merchandise and 10% on electrics/electronics, watches, furniture, mattresses and rugs/floor coverings.

Special Macy's savings passes for \$5 each will be available from our members and at the Library main desk. US Bank will have them, and a complete list of locations will be listed on our website soon. Last year we made over \$500.00. Savings passes are valid at all Macy's stores during the Shop For A Cause three day event. Savings passes are valid at all Macy's stores only on the event days. However they are not valid on macys.com.

Plus, at each Macy's store, customers who bring in their savings pass will be eligible to win a \$500 gift card, no purchase necessary.



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***Summer in Palm Springs!***

The perfect time to spend an afternoon with a good book. Please remember that we still stock our sale shelves in the library lobby every day for your summer reading pleasure!

**HERE'S A PEEK AT OUR FALL/WINTER SCHEDULE**

Fiction Book Sale: Saturday, October 22: 2-5 pm in the Library lobby. This will coincide with our new MODERNISM PREVIEW event!

DVD/CD/Audiobook Sale: Saturday, December 10: 10am-1pm – Library lobby.

Annual Sale 2017: Friday, Saturday & Sunday, January 13, 14, 15 – J. C. Frey Building