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FRIENDS OF THE AMADOR COUNTY LIBRARY (FACL) BULLETIN JULY/AUGUST 2008

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our Spring book sale grossed a little over \$1600 which was a bit under my personal goal of \$2000, despite having a new banner at the American Legion Hall and a professional flyer distributor. This compared to about \$1200 in the Fall when we were competing with high school graduations.

I was disappointed with the turnout for the Friday evening members night and also Sunday's results each of which resulted of sales over \$300. Saturday was a gala day with lines forming at the checkout counter. Your board will be considering changes in order to improve results in the future.

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ELECTED 2008-2009

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

OFFICERS:

Kim Still, *President*
Earl Silliman, *Vice President & Past Pres.*
Janet Caccia, *Secretary*
Helen Bierce, *Treasurer*
Elisa O. Parker, *Bulletin Editor*
Wilma Yount, *Membership*

DIRECTORS:

Bernice Honeychurch, Pat Houghton, Ruth M. Jackson, Susan Staggs, Patty Still

ADVISORY BOARD:

Jane Crawford, Fred Joyce, Charles Hunt, Lee Critchlow-Olds, and Lee Travers

Having just completed one book sale we are already planning on the next one. October weekends were booked up at the Legion Hall so we signed up for October 31 (Halloween), November 1st and 2nd. We have been able to also sign up for the Monday morning following so we can utilize the Pine Grove Camp fellows to reload and return the books to storage which will relieve many of us of this chore. Besides the CYA Pine Grove boys I would like to thank the Jackson Kiwanis Club for helping return the books and also Pine Grove ReMax Realty for again loaning us their truck.

The Board will be taking the Summer off to meet again in September and beside taking this time to plan the next sale we will be working on emptying the books which have resided for too long at the Pine Acres Community Services Building.

The Friends of the Library are participating with the Amador Community Foundation in the Library's One Book, One Amador program in which 250 copies of the same book, in this case one by the Chilean author Isabel Allende, are distributed to be read and discussed through the libraries and discussion groups.

The election of officers and directors of FACL took place at the May board meeting. The composition is pretty much the usual suspects except Janet Caccia is replacing Bernice Honeychurch as Secretary. We all thank Bernice for her longtime effort in this position.

Our Board composition is also changing. Kay Pulskamp, a long time member is retiring. Our thanks to Kay for all her years of service and we will miss her. Susan Staggs, who has been very active in LIFT is joining the Board.

~~Kim Still

PLEASE COME ~~~~

GREAT BARGAIN PRICES AND PLENTY

OF BOOK SELECTION AT THE FACL

BOOK SALE

ON OCT. 31, NOV. 1 & 2, 2008

AT THE

AMERICAN LEGION, HWY. 49

MEMBERSHIP

If you would like to attend FACL Board meetings, or be a member, please call Wilma Yaunt, Membership at 267-5461.

Please contact the President or any of the officers for suggestions/ideas about the Book Sale!! Or help as VOLUNTEERS DURING BOOK SALE!!

WELCOME NEW
MEMBERS!!

1. *Larry Costick, Lone*
2. *Kari Carpenter & Tom Infusino, Pioneer*
3. *Bette & Hutch Phipps, Pine Grove*
4. *M.J. Klimenko, Wilseyville*
5. *Carla M. Flynn, Sutter Creek*
6. *George Schneider, Pioneer*
7. *Mike Ynzunza, Sutter Creek*
9. *Susan & Joe Lagomarasino, Sutter Creek*
10. *Shana L. Kilday, Pine Grove*

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS/FAMILY TO BE MEMBERS OF FACL AND HELP YOUR LOCAL LIBRARIES ...

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Student - \$1.00
Individual - \$7.00
Family - \$10.00
Sustaining - \$20.00
Life - \$100.00
Organization/Club - \$15.00

FROM THE EDITOR:

**FACL BULLETIN issue is every 2 months, next issue is Sept./Oct. 2008 .
DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ARTICLES IS Friday, AUG. 22ND .**

**Please send articles to Jackson Library, or email
parkerelisa@hotmail.com ; or Fax: 295-2285.**

News from the Librarian's Corner

Four new electronic resources were added to the array of information we currently have available for everyone. These new additions were added in May.

[Home Improvement Reference Center](#)[™]

is an online tool for home improvement assistance, including: maintenance, remodeling, electrical work, plumbing, wood projects, outdoor improvements, decorating home & garden, etc.

[Small Engine Repair Reference Center](#)[™]

is an online tool for small engine repair assistance, including: ATVs, commercial mowers, farm tractors, generators, motorcycles, marine (boats), outdoor power equipment, PWC (personal watercraft/jet ski), snow blowers, snowmobiles, tillers and other small engines.

[GreenFILE](#)

This site offers well-researched information covering all aspects of human impact to the environment. Its collection of scholarly, government and general-interest titles includes content on the environmental effects of individuals, corporations and local/national governments, and what can be done at each level to minimize these effects.

[NovelistPlus:](#)

Contains 600 hand-crafted Recommended Reads reading lists for adults, teens and kids covering both fiction and nonfiction genres and topics; 500 Book Discussion Guides including questions and answers and suggestions for further reading.

The databases were purchased with Library State Aid funding.

The library catalog has a new look. When a title of a book is looked up, a book jacket will appear along with a book summary, review, table of contents, etc. This new content makes it much easier to find the material you are looking for.

We are moving forward with the One Book One Amador reading and discussion program for October. The local program committee has met twice to discuss possible events, placement of the books, opening program and general logistics. A draft bookmark and flyer have been designed and 250 copies of the book are on order.

A look at statistics finds that our electronic presence has made a difference. During the past eight months, 327 people have joined the online book club, the book clubs have been visited 37,150 times, the databases have been visited 4,000 times and the library webpage has been looked at 13,402 times. Not to be outdone, a total of 8,637 people have visited branches during the same time and checked out 10,400 items.

Remember to visit your library this summer and “Catch the Reading Bug” This summer’s reading program promises to be full of exciting and fun events from June 16th – July 25th.

~Laura Einstadter