

Friends of the

# Fallbrook Library

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## Special Library Holidays

Monday, February 17  
President's Day  
Libraries Closed

All day-Fine Free Friday

Monday, May 26  
Memorial Day  
Libraries Closed

Friday, July 4  
Independence Day  
Libraries Closed



## FALLBROOK LIBRARY PLANTERS GET A MAKEOVER!

The Friends of the Fallbrook Library continue to keep our library top notch. Recently, the Reading Garden and the Poet's Patio received beautiful new succulent plants.

Jeanne Meadow, a Friends of the Fallbrook Library volunteer who has been maintaining the planters, led the collaboration between two local nurseries and the Fallbrook Garden Club. Rojas Succulents in Fallbrook and Waterwise Botanicals on Old Highway 395 donated most of the plants. The team from the Fallbrook Garden Club, in addition to Jeanne, included Janice Phoenix, Nancy Woodard and Chris Sangster.

The patios are great places for folks to read and enjoy beautiful plants and fresh air. There are more than 20 different kinds of succulents at the library.

These drought-tolerant plants come in many shapes, sizes and colors and are perfect for the water-conscious consumer or organization.

## DONORS RECOGNIZED ON ARTISTIC WALL

The Friends of the Fallbrook Library are finalizing the design for the names of recent contributors to be added to the Library donor wall, which is located to the left of the main entrance of the Fallbrook Branch Library.

The donor wall panels, created by artist Betsy Schutz, represent the spirit of Fallbrook. In between three large colorful panels are donor tiles and quote tiles reflecting the important influence of books and libraries on peoples lives. Donor names represent many of the organizations and individuals who have and continue to contribute to the success of the Fallbrook branch of the San Diego County Library. Money raised through these contributions, memberships and other Friend's initiatives, help expand the Fallbrook library collection, fund a wide assortment of programs, and provide materials for the Fallbrook branch staff. If you are interesting in having the name of a loved one, your business or family on the wall, please contact Mary Jo Bacik 760-451-9394 as soon as possible. Donor Wall tiles donations start at \$1,500.



**We're on the Web!** See us at: [www.fallbrooklibraryfriends.org](http://www.fallbrooklibraryfriends.org)

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**“I can’t understand why a person will take a year to write a novel when he can easily buy one for a few dollars.”**

*Fred Allen*

## PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

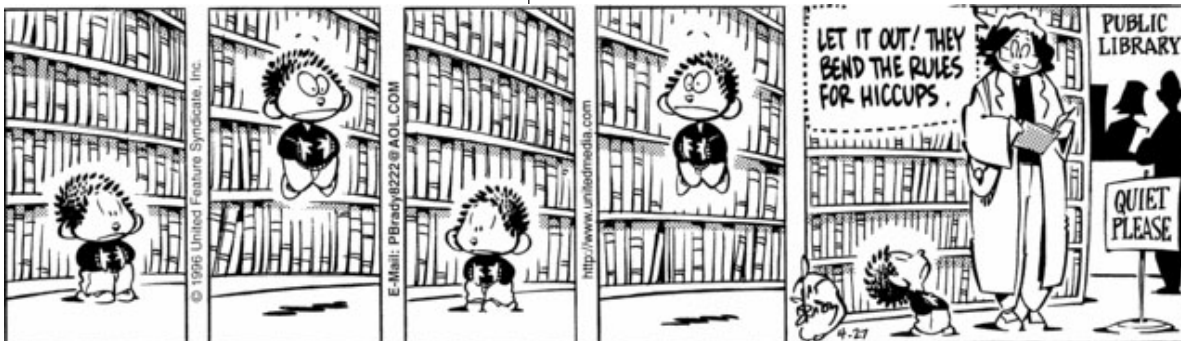
Dear Friends,

Please let me begin by bringing you up to date on the numerous changes in library staffing which have occurred in the past few weeks. First and foremost is that Margo Smart, previously our Branch Manager has been transferred to the Solana Beach branch where she can be closer to her husband who is currently experiencing medical problems. August Diehl has been named interim Branch Manager and is grooming the latest addition to the library staff, Juanita Benedicto (see bio and picture later in this newsletter) to take over her duties as Children’s Area Manager. Finally, we will soon begin seeing a new Regional Manager who was the Branch Librarian here when our new library first opened its doors in early 2011, Ceci Rincon. As a result of a major County Library reorganization which is an “ongoing effort to stream line services, improve communications and responsiveness, while bridging some challenging geographic dimensions in San Diego County” a six month Regional pilot was formalized to create two new regions beginning the first of March.

You may have noticed a major change in the display on the large touch screen table computer located in front of the Reading Garden. It now displays the Friends of the Fallbrook Library web page. By converting it to this display we are now able to use it as a “kiosk” which provides visitors with a great deal of information regarding the Friends, the library, the schedule not only of events in the Library but also events in Fallbrook by virtue of its link to the Chamber of Commerce events page. The “kiosk” will soon be relocated as soon as an Internet connection is available to a space just behind the CD rack where it is more accessible to visitors and, at the same time, frees up the space in front of the Reading Garden so the Avocado Couch can be relocated there from the room in the Children’s Area.

As mentioned above the “kiosk” provides a link to the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce events page. That link grew out of a need to better coordinate the library schedule with other events in Fallbrook. As an example, we have now scheduled our annual Community Read to April 25th so that it falls after the Avocado Festival. That will allow us to participate with the Library staff in a joint booth in the Avocado Festival in an effort to call attention to the Community Read, the events taking place on a regular basis at the library while, at the same time, trying to attract new members and sign up old members at a time when we are approaching the end of our fiscal year.

Sincerely,  
Tom Mintun



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH "THE FRIENDS OF THE FALLBROOK LIBRARY"

The Friends of the Fallbrook Library invites all Fallbrook residents who would like to support the Fallbrook Branch of the San Diego County Library, to consider a volunteer position with the Friends organization. Organized and incorporated in 1963, it is one of the largest and most active Friends groups in San Diego County. Managed by the governing Board of Directors, it operates the Bottom Shelf Bookstore, provides volunteers to assist the library staff and supports multiple library programs including the monthly Music Series, Art Program, Annual Community Read, Special Collections, Reading Programs and much more.

There are many opportunities within the organization that offer individuals who have an interest in community service a chance to put their particular skills to good use. Currently there are positions available as board members but anyone with an interest in service to our community library is encouraged to inquire.

Please call either Tom Mintun at 760-723-8475 or Nan Cebulski at 760-451-3441 for additional information.



Volunteers are also needed at the Bottom Shelf.

“Never judge a book by its movie.”

—JW Eagan

## WHY JOIN FRIENDS OF FALLBROOK LIBRARY?

If you know of someone who isn't a member but who loves books, encourage them to join! What are the advantages of FoFL membership you might ask? In addition to supporting library programs (90% of all programs currently operating at the library—e.g., zumba fitness, yoga, music, arts & crafts, gardening, cuisine, and more—are funded by the FoFL), members receive 10% off on all purchases as well as an exclusive opportunity to shop an hour early on sale days. Individual annual memberships start at just \$15.

## FRIENDS OF FALLBROOK LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

FOFL Membership Update. A reminder to our annual members, check your membership card, unless you've joined/renewed recently, annual memberships expire on April 30, 2014.

### Yes! I Want To Renew My Membership

Basic benefits include the Friends newsletter and a 10% discount at the Bottom Shelf.

Please select one membership level:

Annual Membership:  Individual \$15+  Patron \$25+  Business/Organization \$50+

Life Membership:  Individual \$250+  Family \$500+

Business \$500+ !!  Organization \$500+

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: Friends of the Fallbrook Library, P.O. Box 2586 Fallbrook, CA 92088



Friends of the Fallbrook Library present the 2014  
**FALLBROOK COMMUNITY READ**

**LAUREL CORONA**

**Book Talk**

March 20th, Thurs., 1:00PM, Library

**Friday, April 25th**

Luncheon 11AM

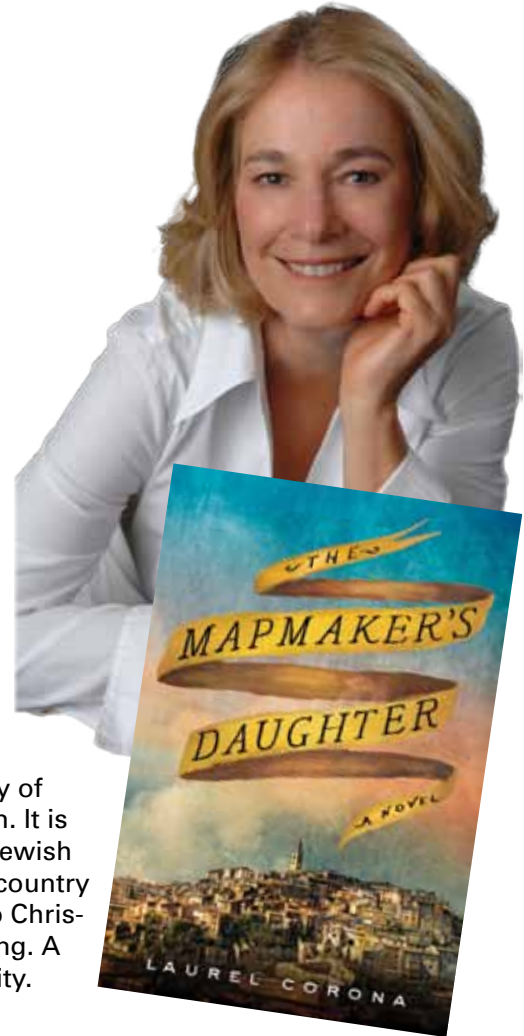
Grand Tradition Estate and Gardens  
220 Grand Tradition Way, Fallbrook 92028

Guest Speaker

**LAUREL CORONA**

San Diegan Laurel Corona is the acclaimed author of more than a dozen books related to myth and history. She is a professor of English and the humanities at San Diego City College. She has won numerous awards, including the 2009 *Book of the Year by the San Diego Book and Writing Awards*.

***The Mapmaker's Daughter*** is the sweeping story of one of the most chaotic times in late 15th century Spain. It is told through the life of Amalia Riba, on the eve of the Jewish expulsion from Spain, she stands at a crossroads. In a country violently divided by religion, she must either convert to Christianity and stay safe, or remain a Jew and risk everything. A mesmerizing saga about faith, family and Jewish identity.



**Community Read Luncheon Reservation**

Grand Tradition Estate and Gardens, April 25, 2014, 11am

Complete and return the following by **April 10, 2014**

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Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

No: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$40.00/person Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Checks payable to: Friends of the Fallbrook Library

Mail to: The Bottom Shelf, 124 S. Mission Road, Fallbrook, CA 92028

Form may also be dropped off at the the Bottom Shelf Bookstore

No tickets will be mailed – reservations will be held at the door • No Reserved Seating

For information contact The Bottom Shelf at 760-451-9606

## FALLBROOK CAMERA CLUB SHOW AT THE LIBRARY



The exhibit, "Image Makers: Photographs from the Fallbrook Camera Club", opened on January 12 in the Community Room at the Fallbrook Library. The show features the photography of Shirley Binn, Lin Craft, Jon Harwood, Judy Jobe, Christel Lakata, Ed Lusby, Mike Mercado, Dennis Poole, Shirley Poole, Mike Reardon, Sandy Schiefer, Gladys Wark and Marjorie Weaver. The Club has been meeting for more than fifty years providing a venue for members to share their interest and expertise in photography. They now meet twice a month at the Silver Gate Retirement Center: At the first meeting members submit images to be judged and at the second a guest

speaker is arranged for a timely topic or travel slide show. New members are always welcome and encouraged to join. More information can be obtained from Club President, Lin Craft, at 760 728-1228.

The next exhibit in the library will be "Oil Paintings of People, Real and Imagined."

## JUANITA BENEDICTO, NEW CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN

Public libraries have always been my first love. But when I graduated from library school in 1997 and was offered a job at the University of Oregon Libraries, I accepted the position. As an admirer of the runner Steve Prefontaine, I couldn't resist running the same trails and routes he had. At the UO, I was the Social Sciences Librarian and the Libraries Web Coordinator until 2004.

I then moved across town to the local Community College where I enjoyed taking summers off. A free, three-month time span allowed me the opportunity to spend my summers volunteering in Central Mexico. I worked at a convent, Buen Pastor, that had served the women and girls of the colonial town, Guanajuato, for over 100 years. The convent--and 6 very hard working nuns, ages 62 and up--ran a shelter for woman and their children as well as a foster home for girls ages 3-18.



In 2008, I resigned from my library position, sold everything I owned on Craigslist, and went to live and volunteer at Buen Pastor. I had fallen in love with the town of Guanajuato and deeply resonated with the work the indefatigable nuns at the convent did. I also hoped to work on my Spanish. Over the next three and a half years, I helped Buen Pastor build a library and a computer lab for the girls. I also worked on a grant which resulted in a solar heated water system that could heat water for 40 showers. I began a "compassionate touch" therapy program that aimed to reconnect the sheltered women to their bodies and help heal trauma.

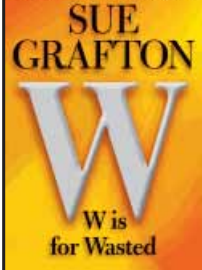
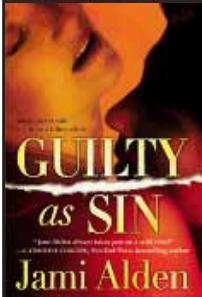
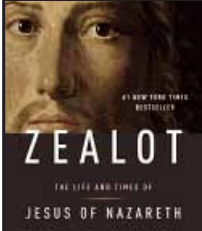
As 2011 came to a close, I returned to the States to serve as the Community Relations Coordinator at a Buddhist Meditation Retreat Center located in a redwood forest near Santa Cruz. For two years, I lived "off the grid", in a forest surrounded by owls, opossums, mountain lions, bobcats, vultures, hawks, deer and numerous other wildlife. I studied Tibetan Buddhism and lived in quiet contemplation.

I loved working at the retreat center and living in the Redwoods. But after a death in the family, I wanted to be closer to my hometown, San Diego. I began looking for jobs, but this time, I focused on public libraries. I was especially excited by the prospect of joining the San Diego County Library system as I aligned with their philosophy and was impressed by their achievements. After applying for a spectrum of positions, I was offered a job as a librarian at Fallbrook. I am delighted to be here! If I haven't already met you, please say hi next time you see me at the library.



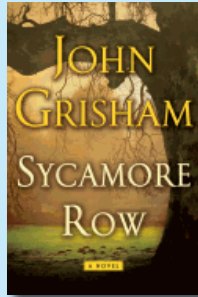
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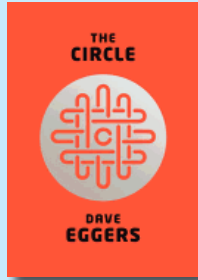


## FALLBROOK IS READING

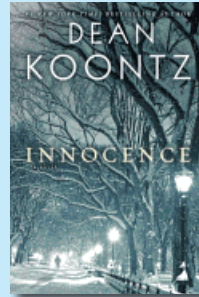
Many more books are available at the library to checkout for a seven day period.



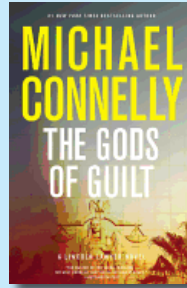
*Sycamore Row*  
by John Grisham



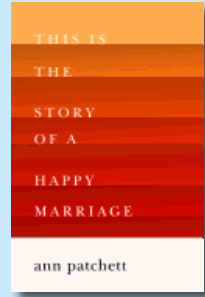
*The Circle*  
by Dave Eggers



*Innocence*  
by Dean Koontz



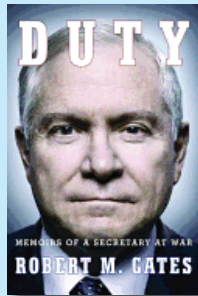
*The Gods of Guilt*  
by Michael Connelly



*This is the Story of a Happy Marriage*  
by Ann Patchett

## NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Log on to: [www.sddl.org](http://www.sddl.org) for a complete listing of new books, music, and DVD's.



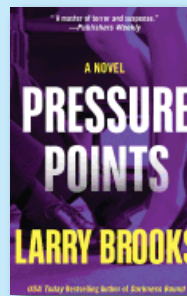
*Duty*  
By Robert M. Gates



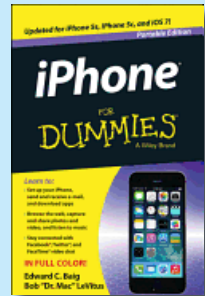
*I am Malala*  
By Malala Yousafzai



*Going Dark*  
By James W. Hall

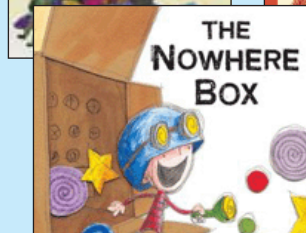
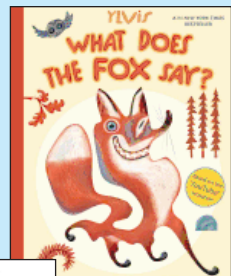
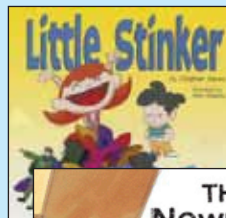


*Pressure Points*  
By Larry Brooks

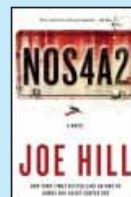


*iPhone for Dummies*  
By Edward C. Baig and Bob LeVitus

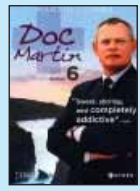
## Children's books



## Electronic Books



## DVD's



# events at the

# Fallbrook Library

## LECTURE SERIES

**Thursday, March 6, 6PM**  
JACK WILLIAMS, PhD *Egypt: Glory of Its Past*

## MUSIC SERIES

**Thursday, February 20, 7PM**  
*Piano Duo, 4hands LA*

**Thursday, March 20, 7PM**  
*Traditional Celtic Music, Highland Way*

**Thursday, April 17, 7PM**  
*Ukelele Band, The Sunset Strummers*

**Thursday, May 15, 7PM**  
*The Songs of Joni Mitchell, Robin Adler and Dave Blackburn*

## CHILDREN'S YOGA

**Wednesdays - Start Time: 3:00PM**  
*Ms Sandra tells you a story while teaching Yoga.*

## BILINGUAL PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

**Fridays - Start Time: 10:30 AM**  
*Spanish Bilingual Preschool Storytime - in the Avocado Room*

## HOMEWORK HELP

**Tuesdays - Start Time: 4:00PM**

## AFTER SCHOOL ART

**Wednesdays - Start Time: 4:00PM**  
*Art with Danny Martinez*

## VISITING ART EXHIBIT

**Though March ??**  
*Fallbrook Camera Club: "Image Makers: Photographs from the Fallbrook Camera Club"*

## MOVIES

*Check with the library for complete and times.*

## ZUMBA DANCE-FITNESS

**Mondays and Thursdays 10:00 AM**  
*Limit 40.*

## STORY TIMES

**Daily, Tuesday - Friday Starting at 10:30AM**  
*Check with the library for complete schedule.*

## PAJAMA STORY TIMES

**Thursdays, 7:00 PM**  
*Children ages 0—12.*

## PAWS to READ

**Wednesdays @ 4:30-5:30PM** *By appointment only.*  
**Tickets available @ the ASK desk!**  
*15 minute sessions.*

## LEGO DAY

**Every Wednesday, 1:00PM**

## FINE FREE DAY

**Last Friday of the month.**

## TEEN ANIME CLUB

**First and third Fridays of the month. 3:30PM**

## CONVERSATION CAFE

**English conversation. 3:00PM**

## CITIZENSHIP CLASS

**Wednesdays - Start Time 6:00PM**

## BOOK TALK

**Thursday, March 20, 1:00 PM**  
*The Matchmaker's Daughter*

## COMMUNITY READ

**Luncheon Friday, April 25, 11:00 AM**  
*Speaker Laurel Corona, author of The Matchmaker's Daughter*  
*Grand Tradition Estate and Gardens*

## FOFL COMMUNITY MEETING

**Wednesday, April 23, 12:00PM**  
*Library - Community Room*  
*Bring a sack lunch—drinks & desert provided*

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**NEWSLETTER**

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Open Monday-Saturday  
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*(Closed: Sundays & major holidays)*

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## COMING EVENTS

### Half-Price Sale Days

In 2014, Bottom Shelf half-price sales events will be held quarterly. These events provide exciting and exclusive opportunities to Friends of the Fallbrook Library members to shop ahead of the general public from 9–10AM on sale days. Half-price sale days are scheduled as follows in 2014:

- Saturday, January 18
- Saturday, April 12
- Saturday, July 26
- Saturday, October 25

