



Belvedere-Tiburon Library

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IN THE STACKS

A Newsletter from the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Foundation

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\$100,000 Gift for the Library Expansion from the Belvedere Community Foundation

What a birthday present! The day before the Belvedere-Tiburon Library celebrated its tenth Anniversary with a community-wide party in April, we received the fantastic news that the Belvedere Community Foundation has pledged \$100,000 to the Library: \$25,000 a year for four years, to support the expansion planning effort. This is our first major donation in advance of our upcoming capital campaign, and it enables us to fund the next phases of the process.

To date, much has been accomplished in the planning: An initial study was approved in 2004 by Tiburon Town Council. In March 2007, a building program was completed (available in the Library and online at <http://thelibrary.info>), and approved by the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Agency.

Currently, a community-based Architect Selection Committee is reviewing statements of qualifications received from architectural firms. The Campaign Steering Committee of the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Foundation is working to structure the fundraising drive.

Sandy Donnell, Vice-President of the Belvedere Community Foundation, comments that "The Library has been such a tremendous asset to the entire Tiburon Peninsula that the Foundation is happy to be able to support such a worthwhile community cause." We are elated and grateful to receive their resounding support.

Here are some of the results we're seeking in the expansion:

- * a larger children's room
- * a larger study space and an expanded collection of materials for teens
- * a technology training and resource area
- * 40% increase in the size of the Library's collection
- * four acoustically-sound group study rooms
- * a large meeting room
- * adequate storage areas and office space
- * a sorting and sales area for donated books
- * a better exhibition space for the work of local artists
- * a small café area

April, 2007

Top 10 Most Requested Library Books

1. *The Secret* by Rhonda Byrne
2. *Infidel* by Ayaan Hirsi Ali
3. *How Doctors Think* by Jerome Groopman
4. *The Price of Privilege: How Parental Pressure and Material Advantage Are Creating a Generation of Disconnected and Unhappy kids* by Madeline Levine
5. *Women & Money: Owning the Power to Control Your Destiny* by Suze Orman
6. *Heyday: a novel* by Kurt Andersen
7. *Murder on the Ile Saint-Louis* by Cara Black
8. *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* by J.K. Rowling
9. *The Woods* by Harlan Coben
10. *Eat, Pray, Love: One Woman's Search for Everything Across Italy, India and Indonesia* by Elizabeth Gilbert

Celebrations



On April 3rd, our Eighteenth Annual Library Luncheon with Elaine Petrocelli took place at the San Francisco Yacht Club. It was successful, sold-out, delicious, and enlightening. Thanks so much to Elaine, Judy Singer, Heather Lobdell, and the many volunteers who helped make this such a brilliant event.

April also marked the Tenth anniversary of our Library. We celebrated with an old-fashioned town party on the lawn, replete with balloons, books, clowns, magic, music and face-painting. The Belvedere-Tiburon Library Foundation and the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Agency wish to thank all those volunteers who helped make the event a success: the Tiburon Fire Department for

cooking the hamburgers and hot dogs, Sweet Things for the delicious birthday cake, and Hal Schmidt for doing the sound. Thanks also to Mike Miles and the Del Mar Middle School Band, and Griffin Stoller and Ken Blacklock for their delightful performances. A special thanks to the exceptional staff of the Library for their hard work. Also a thank you to Cosmo Fraser and his reggae band who were to be the final act but were rained out!

Photographs, clockwise from top: 1) Elaine Petrocelli, 2) Heather Lobdell, Judy Singer and Jill Sherwood, 3) Firefighters cooking hotdogs and hamburgers, 4) Del Mar Middle School Band, 5) Books for sale, 6) Balloon Lady with admirers, 7) Perusing books at the Luncheon, (center) Fiddler Griffin Stoller with Ken Blacklock, guitar.

Pumas, Paris, Poetry, Fraud...Just a Few of our

PROGRAMS IN THE LIBRARY

All programs are free and open to the public. Programs begin at 7:30 pm. Also check for additions in the Library News column in THE ARK or on the web at *thelibrary.info*.

Thursday, May 17

Wine Tasting Fundamentals

Alan Abrams, CSW (Certified Specialist of Wine), is an avid wine collector who strives to make the world of wine more accessible to everyone. He will review and demonstrate wine tasting fundamentals, after which listeners will apply their new knowledge by tasting four very different wines. Due to seating limitations, this special program is limited to the first 45 people who arrive.

Thursday, May 24

Protecting the Puma

Belvedere-based **Felidae Conservation Fund** Founder and Executive Director, Zara McDonald discusses the history of the Puma. Ms. McDonald's organization seeks to protect pumas in their natural habitat by influencing statewide policy and decisions concerning these animals.

Tuesday, May 29

The Marin Poetry Center's Traveling Show

Organized by Stephanie Mendel, and hosted by **Yvonne Postelle**, readers include **Melanie Maier** and **Bruce Sams** of Belvedere. Other participating poets are Ella Eytan, Pru Starr and Mary Kay Sweeney.

Thursday, May 31

Angel Island History

Town Historian **Bran Fanning**, longtime resident of Tiburon and former mayor, will discuss his new book **Angel Island**, co-authored with William Wong. Bran's book traces the lives and stories of the many people who lived or were stationed on the island, including Miwoks, ranchers, POWs, soldiers, sailors, doctors, immigrants, and Cold War missile men.

Thursday, June 7

The U.S. and International Relationships, As Viewed by David Hill

For the past 12 years, **David Hill** has been a blogger called "Yonder." He is a former Chairman of KQED, a former U.S. Army intelligence analyst, an ex-Golden Gate University adjunct professor, and a one-time Foreign Service Officer with a lifelong interest in international relations and international travel.

Tuesday, June 19

Seniors Against Investment Fraud

Brooke Thacher, an attorney at Legal Aid of Marin, is associated with SAIF, a group which teaches older Americans how to spot, stop and ultimately avoid falling victim to fraud and identity theft. Information packets including forms to remove oneself from telemarketing and mailing lists will be provided.

Thursday, June 21

A Walk through Historic Paris

Leonard Pitt knows Paris like the back of his hand. Using over 200 images, he will walk you through pre-Haussmann Paris to describe the tremendous transformation Paris underwent in the 1850's and 60's, and continue into the Twentieth Century to show how succeeding generations have stamped their vision onto one of the world's great cities. His book "Walks Through Lost Paris: A Journey into the Heart of Historic Paris" is now available in English.

*Afternoon Tea
at the Library*

*Third Wednesday of
every month, 3 to 4 pm.*



Join the Program Committee volunteers and the Library staff for homemade sweets and tea sandwiches in the Founders Room.

Upcoming Art Exhibits in the Founders Room

- May 19- June 9 Annual Del Mar School Art Exhibit
Reception: Tuesday, 6-8pm, May 22
- June 11-July 14 Eloise Rauscher
Reception: Tuesday, 6-8pm, June 12
- July 15-Aug 19 Madeleine Wood
Reception: Saturday, 1-3pm, July 21
- Aug 20-Sep 22 Melissa Adkison
Reception: Tuesday, 6-8pm, August 21
- Sep 24-Oct 6 Belvedere Community Foundation
Photo Exhibit and Contest

from the Teen Alcove!

Middle and High School Students

Take Time to Read

Parents, You Can Help: Demands on the time of teenagers these days are legion, particularly in our community, where high expectations drive teens to days and nights filled with school, homework, sports, music and art lessons, tutoring sessions, etc. When there is time for leisure activities, many teens turn to computers, TVs, music and socializing with friends. With all of these distractions, how do we promote reading? We know from studies that reading increases intelligence and achievement, along with providing a lifelong source of pleasure.

Our first goal here at the Belvedere-Tiburon Library is to get teens to come in the door, and much of the teen programming is designed to do just this. The Teen Lounge is regularly drawing 10 to 15 teens per week, with new kids checking it out each week. The end-of-the-semester Finals Fest is a big draw for high school students, and monthly programs featuring movies, games, food and socializing are popular with kids from ages 12 to 18. We also have a steady group of teens that attend monthly Youth Advisory Committee meetings.

According to publishers, librarians and reviewers, a Golden Age of teen literature has arrived. The quality of

books aimed at the teen market has become more varied, complex and sophisticated to mirror the culture of today's teens.

So, once teens are in the Library for programs or research materials, our Library staff does its best to introduce them to our excellent collection of books designed to appeal to them. While some teens have been avid readers since an early age, our more reluctant readers need a gentle push in the form of interesting and culture-specific literature that will grab their attention.

Please encourage your teens or teens you know to come to the Library and check out our programs. A foot in the door is the first step!

Upcoming Teen Events

April 28th – Fun & Games @ the Library
Dance Revolution, games, pizza & drinks.

May 19th – Anime
Join our anime fans for an evening of entertainment, the Japanese way.

June – High School Finals Fest
Check the web site for dates and times
<http://www.bel-tib-lib.org/teens/>

Watch the web site for our Teen Summer Reading Program
<http://www.bel-tib-lib.org/teens/>

Here's to the Talent in Our Town

Our Local Authors Collection Grows

Carol Burnham's first novel *Attic Light* (1997) is a love story between Californian Kate and archeologist Nick Rigas, whom she meets while on vacation in Greece. After Nick proves to be unfaithful, Kate returns home and marries stable Henry but she cannot forget Nick. Kate flies to New York to renew the romance but courts disaster every step of the way.

Dr. Isolina Ricci's *Mom's House, Dad's House: a Complete Guide for Parents Who are Separated, Divorced, or Remarried* (1980, 2nd edition 1997) has been the gold standard for inspiring and supporting divorcing and remarriage parents for more than twenty-five years. Dr. Ricci's new book, *Mom's House, Dad's House for Kids* (2006) is packed with practical tips, frank answers, ideas, and things to try when words just won't come out right.

James H. Hampton's documentary, *Stand By to Ram: A WWII Navy Video Memoir* (2006) reproduces his experiences during the war. When Naval Lt. Hampton sneaked an illegal camera aboard the USS Frazier DD-607, instead of being court marshaled he was made the ship's photographer. Mr. Hampton shares his wartime naval experiences through never-before seen photographs and homemade movies.

Ann Nichols Roulac's two self-help books are written to help people get in touch with their energy and personal power: *Power, Passion and Purpose: 7 Steps to Energizing Your Life* (2006), and *How to Create the Life You Want: The Companion Journal to Power, Passion and Purpose* (2006).

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In the Children's Room

Please note! Unless otherwise indicated, **ONGOING** programs require pre-registration. Call Alicia Bell at 789-2662 to register.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

Baby Bounce for ages 2 & under

Mondays at 10:30 am & 11 am, June 18th through August 6th
Frolic with your baby to songs and finger plays!

Preschool Story time for ages 3-5

Tuesdays at 4pm, June 19th through August 7th
Join us for stories, songs and finger plays. Older children are welcome!

Toddler Story time for 2's

Wednesdays at 11am, June 20th through August 8th
Stories, songs, finger plays and other surprises.

Lemonade Hour Read Along for ages 7 & up

Wednesdays at 4pm, June 20th through August 8th
featuring a free copy of a chapter book, delicious lemonade and freshly baked cookies.

SPECIAL SUMMER PROGRAMS

"Get a Clue @ Your Library"

June 18 through August 9

Animal Detectives will make mysterious appearances in our Children's Room for our summer reading program, and we'll have weekly treats of pencils, buttons and detective gear to further entice you. You'll find lots of book displays featuring our detective theme, so stop by the Children's Room this summer for great reading materials. Be sure to take advantage of the wonderful free programs listed below, made possible by our dedicated Bookmarks Committee. **Note:** Most of the programs below do not require registration.

Thursday Performances for ages 5 & up

Unless otherwise noted, all performances take place at 11am in the Founders Room.

June 21 **Wildlife Associates - California Wildlife**

Learn about Native California species and habitats. You'll meet a bobcat, red fox, great horned owl, coyote and more.

June 28 **Swazzle Puppets: Rex and Boots - Super Sleuths**

Lady Fromage, the richest mouse in England, discovers that her prized Gold Fish is missing. She calls on Rex & Boots to solve the crime.

July 5 **Wizard Training School Magic Show - Brian Scott**

Brian weaves magic, music and comedy into a fun-filled world of illusion for all.

July 12 **Musicians Crosspulse**

Crosspulse blends Appalachian music and step dance with new rhythms, jazz and found sounds. They humorously and inventively make music out of anything!

July 21 **Daffy Dave**

Dave will keep you laughing with his crazy magic and comedy juggling.

Note: This is on a Saturday!

July 26 **Storytelling with Bob Kanegis**

Bob combines books and nature while leading kids on a clue-filled journey through the woods.

Aug 2 **East Bay Vivarium**

We will be visited by a bug that smells like a caesar salad, a tortoise with five legs, a snake that makes friends with gophers, and Milhouse the 5-foot-long Tengu lizard.

Note: Registration required

Aug 9 **Reading Program Party with Steve Chaney and Cornelius Crowe**

Ventriloquist Steve and the amazing kid-sized Cornelius will rock the house.

New in the Kids Room!

LeapPad Learning Systems teach fundamental reading skills

Put a book on the LeapPad player and pop in the cartridge. Stories suddenly come to life with the light tap of the Magic Pen. This award-winning tool teaches fundamental reading skills, phonics and vocabulary-building. For ages 4 to 8 years. Check it out!

Donor Spotlight

Thanks To Katharine Johnson

Katharine Johnson, a 30-year resident of Belvedere and dedicated devotee of libraries is a special friend of the Belvedere-Tiburon Library. When asked recently what it was about the Library that has inspired her to make a substantial gift every year to the endowment fund, Katharine replied that she wants to make available to others the love of reading and of libraries that she experienced as a child.

“When one walks through the doors of the Library,” she reflects, “One experiences a quiet



Katharine at the Library's birthday party

atmosphere, a neutral place to congregate, a feeling of thoughtfulness, of expectation and anticipation, of something wonderful to be discovered on the shelves.” Katharine takes great pleasure in seeing that her community can enjoy the benefits of a first rate library, which offers so much — a quality book collection, computers to provide access to multitude sources of information, a variety of programs for all ages and a space where the opportunity to acquire new knowledge is easily available. “Besides that,” she adds with a smile, “All this is free!”

Local Authors (*continued from page 4*)

Film director and producer **Jyll Johnstone** tells the story of two American families and the two very different nannies who raised them. Through riveting interviews, vintage photographs, home movies and newsreel footage, *Martha & Ethel* (1995) chronicles their lives from the 1940's to the present.

CyberLaw: The Law of the Internet (1997) by **Jonathan Rosenoer** provides valuable guidance on many thorny online issues. He covers copyrights, trademarks, intellectual property, defamation, privacy, software piracy, and a variety of other topics. In *The Clickable Corporation: Successful Strategies for Capturing the Internet Advantage* (1999) Rosenoer (with fellow authors, Douglas Armstrong and J. Russell Gates) focuses on the definable benefits that draw customers to successful Internet commerce.

Poetry lovers will enjoy **Soraya Pourian's** volume, *Voice of the Planet* (2003), exploring themes of nature, birth and time.

Bestselling author **William Ury's** new book, *The Power of a Positive No* (2007), provides a simple three-step method for saying no in a positive way. Based on Dr. Ury's Harvard University course for managers and professionals, this book offers concrete advice and practical examples for saying no.

The Multinational Corporation in China: Controlling Interests (2006) by Prof. **Stephen Todd Rudman** addresses the question of how multinational corporations control and coordinate their worldwide affiliates. Dr. Rudman focuses on four large U.S. multinational corporations operating in China.

Branwell Fanning, Tiburon's official historian and former mayor, and William Wong have co-authored *Angel Island*

(2007), a chronicle of Angel Island's history from the early 19th century to the present day.

Award-winning travel writer and Adventure Editor for TravelGirl Magazine, **Marybeth Bond** has written another informative guide for women. *50 Best Girlfriends Getaways in North America* (2007) presents ten categories of best places for women to travel.

Poet and novelist **Diana O'Hehir** has written a thrilling sequel to *Murder Never Forgets*. In *Erased from Memory* (2006), Carla Day and her Egyptologist father, who suffers from Alzheimer's, are visiting the museum housing the ancient coffin lid he discovered years ago, when a man collapses on the floor. Dr. Day lands in jail as a murder suspect and Carla launches an investigation that will put both her and her dad in danger. A chilling conclusion will catch many readers by surprise.

Best-selling author, Tiburon-raised **Anne Lamont** has written her third collection of “thoughts on faith” essays. In *Grace (Eventually): Thoughts on Faith* (2007), all the familiar topics are present—Mom, her son, illness, death, addictions, Jesus, Republicans—as is her zany attitude.

A memoir of spiritual discovery: **Lindsey Crittenden's** *The Water Will Hold You: A Skeptic Learns to Pray* (2007) traces her experiences of prayer from hesitant beginnings to a regular, disciplined practice.

Award-winning author **Gillian Roberts'** most recent book *All's Well That Ends* (2007) brings the Amanda Pepper series to a close. In this fourteenth and final installment Amanda investigates an apparent suicide as she and her criminologist husband, C.K. Mackenzie, prepare to relocate to New Orleans.

If you are a Belvedere or Tiburon author and would like to donate a copy of your work to the Library's Local Author Collection please call Librarian Elaine Crepeau at ext. 229.

from the Reference Desk

7 Things You Can Find at the Library That You Should Know About

Portable Audio Books

Do you like to listen to recorded books? The Library currently owns over 40 portable audio book players that you can check out and listen to on the go. Each player, called a “Playaway,” is the size of a deck of cards and holds a single title. The only thing you need to supply is your own pair of headphones; if you don’t have any, we can sell them to you at the Circulation Desk for \$1. Titles available on Playaway include *The Da Vinci Code*, *The Glass Castle*, and *The Time Travelers Wife*. Playaways can be found in the audio books alcove.

A Color Copier and a Color Printer

By request from the community, we have recently added both a color photocopier and a color computer printer. Color copies and color printouts are \$1 per page. The color copier is located near the entrance to the Children’s Room. The color printer is in the public computer area.

A National Interlibrary Loan Service

If a book is not available within the Marin Library Network (MARINet), we may be able to get it for you from a public college or university library in California or elsewhere in the United States. The charge will be a dollar or two depending on the source library. In recent months, Belvedere and Tiburon residents have borrowed books from such far-flung institutions as *Vermont College*, *The University of Louisiana – Lafayette*, and the *Appleton Public Library* in Wisconsin. We are generally unable to get new titles through interlibrary loan, but will often order a new title for our local collection if you think it would make a valuable addition.

A Staff Recommendations Area

The library staff reads a lot of books. To share our favorites with other readers in the community, we created a Staff Recommendations area. At any given time, eight staff members have books on the recommendations shelves. Recently recommended titles include *The Winter King* by Bernard Cornwell, *Kafka on the Shore* by Haruki Murakami, and *The Monkey’s Wrench* by Primo Levi. Staff Recommendations may be found adjacent to the New Mysteries section, across from the Reference Desk.

DVDs of Popular and Classic Television Shows

You may not be surprised that the Library has a large collection of DVDs, but people are often surprised at our

extensive collection of popular and classic TV programs on DVD. Titles in the Library’s collection include *The Sopranos*, *Lost*, *Foyle’s War*, *Alfred Hitchcock Presents*, and *House, M.D.* Look for these DVDs on a TV Shows cart next to the feature film DVDs. DVDs may be checked out for one week and are non-renewable.

A Fireplace

The Library has a gas fireplace in its attractive Fink Room, complemented by comfortable chairs and a large picture window with a view of the marsh and the Old St. Hilary’s Open Space Preserve. An abstract painting by Rex Fink hangs above the mantle. Though warmer weather is now upon us we’re always happy to light the fireplace for you on a cold morning – or anytime you’re looking for some extra comfort while reading the day’s *San Francisco Chronicle*.

Recycling Boxes for Batteries, Ink Cartridges and Cell Phones

One way to do your part to protect the environment is to keep the toxic components of batteries, ink cartridges and cell phones out of our landfill. Thanks to the efforts of local conservationists, the Library has recycling boxes for these items. The boxes for batteries and ink cartridges are on top of the cabinet to the right of the copy machines. The box for cell phones is kept at the Reference Desk. Just ask any staff member if you need help!

Don’t have a library card? Local residents can now register online

It is now possible to apply for a library card on the web via Online Patron Registration. When you apply online, you are given an eCard, which gives you access to the Library’s online services only. You don’t have to come into the Library if you just want to use our online services or download free audiobooks and eBooks. To receive the eCard, submit the online form on our website.

A full-service library card gives you access to all the library’s services, online and in the Library. You can check out materials at any MARINet library and use the computers at libraries that require a barcode to log in. To get a full-service library card, fill out the online form to get an eCard, and then come into the library with photo ID and proof of address to upgrade your eCard. If you are 15 years of age or younger, you will need a parent with you to get a full-service card.

Mark Your Calendars! You're Invited...

Champagne and Chocolate Party Wednesday, June 6



This is the date for the annual Champagne and Chocolate Party to thank members of the Library Society for their support. If you have not yet joined or renewed your membership for this year, there is still time to do so. Contact the Library Director at 789-2656.

Elaine Petrocelli will be honored at this year's event for her outstanding support of the Belvedere-Tiburon Library and the Library Foundation. Elaine has presented a program on notable current books every year for the past eighteen years (without charge) at a luncheon at the SF Yacht Club. This event, which raises money for the Library, entertains, enlightens and inspires all who attend.

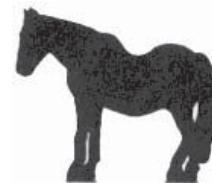
Artwork To Be Juried Friday, September 14



Artists - If you would like to have your work considered for upcoming Exhibits in the Founders Room, we invite you to bring samples of your art to the Library on the morning of September 14, between 9:30 and 11:00am. Artwork will be juried that afternoon.

Blackie's Hay Day Sunday, September 30

Last year's wildly popular family event, *Blackie's Hay Day*, is coming again to Blackie's pasture. Designed for children of all ages, the day is reminiscent of an old-fashioned country fair with pony rides, a petting zoo, relay races, (toy) tractor rides, a cake walk and more. Join us in a celebration of our town, our community and our families.



Blackie's Hay Day is hosted by Bookmarks, the volunteer organization that funds the programs and development of the Children's Room of the Belvedere-Tiburon Library. If you are a business or individual who would like to help sponsor this event, please contact the Library Director at 789-2656 or email to dmazzolini@bel-tib-lib.org.

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